



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF EDUCATION OF
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 46 (SUNSHINE COAST)**

Held on Wednesday, February 14th, 2018
At the School Board Office, Gibsons, B.C.

PRESENT: TRUSTEES: L. Pratt (Chair), B. Baxter; D. Mewhort, P. Ruth, P. Deasey (Student Trustee)

STAFF: P. Bocking, Superintendent of Schools
P. Bishop, Director of Instruction
V. White, Director of Instruction
N. Weswick, Secretary-Treasurer
E. Reimer, Executive Assistant (Recording Secretary)

REGRETS: L. Dixon, Trustee; G. Russell, Trustee; C. Younghusband, Trustee

#44. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Chair Pratt acknowledged that the meeting was taking place on the territory of the Squamish Nation and welcomed those in attendance.

#45. Celebrating Education: Circle of Security – Supporting Parents and Teens

District Principal Deasey shared information on the *Circle of Security* program being offered through the Sechelt and Gibsons Early Years Centres. The eight week program stresses the importance of developing and reinforcing a child's sense of security and belonging to create a baseline for success. Parents are afforded an opportunity to meet, discuss how best to meet their children's needs and reflect on their own progress.

#46. Public Question Period

- There were no questions.

#47. Adoption of the Agenda

MOTION: Ruth/Mewhort

"THAT the agenda of February 14, 2018 be adopted."

Carried.

#48. Approval of Minutes of Prior Meetings and Receipt of Records of Closed Meetings

- a. Regular Meeting – January 10, 2018
- b. Record of Closed Meeting – January 10, 2018

MOTION: Mewhort/Ruth

“THAT the minutes of Regular Meeting of January 10, 2018 and the Record of the Closed Meeting of January 10, 2018 be adopted.”

Carried.

#49. Reports

a. Executive Reports

i. Superintendent’s Report

Superintendent Bocking highlighted the following:

- Kindergarten registration week runs from February 19th to the 23rd.
- Girls Leadership Day being planned for September 2018 for students in grades 6, 7, and 8.
- *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat* being presented at Chatelech Secondary on February 23rd, 24th and March 2nd, 3rd.
- Train in Trades Culinary Arts students have completed the program.
- District Professional Day took place on February 9th.
- SD46 is participating in the SFU Public Discourse in Education Symposia
- Leadership pool shortlisting taking place.
- Special education audit was successful.
- United Way grant to support community school after-school programming
- Increase in aboriginal success rate (79% success rate for aboriginal students, 81% success rate for non-aboriginal students).
- Children’s charter committee.

1. Strategic Plan Reports:

a. Goal 1.a. – Early Learning

The report was provided as written.

b. Goal 1.d. – Social Emotional Learning

The report was submitted as written.

c. Goal 2.a. – Professional Development

Superintendent Bocking spoke to his written report.

d. Goal 3.b. – Collaborations

Superintendent Bocking highlighted the Joint Use Agreement with the SCRD, the partnership with the United Way of the Lower Mainland, and the partnership with Vancouver Island University for Train in Trades programs.

2. Administrative Regulations to be Repealed:

a. Regulation 1320 – Conduct on School Buses

Secretary-Treasurer Weswick indicated that the regulation has completed the 30 day circulation prior to being repealed. Information relating to student conduct on school buses will be imbedded in the new Student Transportation regulation.

ii. Secretary-Treasurer's Report

Secretary-Treasurer Weswick spoke to his written report and noted that Halfmoon Bay Elementary has been closed to cross-boundary enrolment as a preventative measure. The closure will not result in a disruption to current students or to siblings of existing student who plan to attend the school.

1. Expenditures by Object – January 2018

The report was provided as written.

2. Larger Cheques Written in the Month of January 2018

The report was provided as written.

b. Board/Committee Reports

i. Board Report

Chair Pratt highlighted the trustee visits to schools that took place in January, as well as the Train in Trades Culinary completion celebration.

1. Goal 3.d. – Local Governments

Chair Pratt provided a verbal report and highlighted the following:

- Multi-government partnership and advocacy to achieve the School Road, North Road and Gibsons Way intersection upgrade.
- Successful partnership with District of Sechelt, Habitat for Humanity and SD46 Train in Trades program.
- Renewed Joint Use Agreement with the SCRD is due to be implemented soon.
- Quarterly meetings taking place with SCRD chair and vice chair to discuss a variety of topics.
- Intergovernmental meetings take place twice a year and include representation by our MLA and MP . The meetings provide an opportunity to share strategic plans, information, and question potential items of concern.
- Meeting took place in August 2017 with the newly elected *shíshálh* council.
- Public consultations often include consultation with local governments.
- A meeting has been scheduled for February for the SD46 chair/vice-chair to meet with the mayor/deputy mayor of the Town of Gibsons. A meeting with the District of Sechelt mayor and deputy mayor will occur within the next couple of months. Trustees are encouraged to contact the chair with any items for discussion.
- Chair Pratt and Student Trustee Deasey have been asked to deliver a Pecha Kucha presentation on March 23 at the Columbia Institute for Civic Governance's *High Ground* conference.

Chair Pratt indicated that she sits on the Association of Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities (AVICC) Committee on Social Procurement and is involved in the Women's Campaign School being scheduled for March 3rd at the Sunshine Coast Botanical Gardens.

2. BCSTA Report

Vice-Chair Ruth requested feedback on the motions being presented to Provincial Council. Trustees noted concerns regarding motion 9.2 (Specific Focus for Funding Model Review) and motion 9.3 (Rural Education Enhancement Funding and Reporting and Criteria Changes).

3. BCPSEA Report

Trustee Mewhort reported that a summary of consultations relating to teacher bargaining had been included in the agenda package. At the recent BCPSEA AGM, the membership voted in favour of a trustee elected board. Chair Pratt reported back regarding on a motion from the January meeting, to request an amendment to the groupings to move SD46 from the VISTA area to the Metro area. Upon consultation with BCPSEA staff, it was suggested that the request for an amendment take place at the 2019 AGM in order to meet the necessary timelines. In the meantime, it was made clear that SD46 may attend BCPSEA Metro meetings.

4. Student Trustee Report

Student Trustee Deasey reported the following:

- Recent DSLT meeting took place at Pender Harbour Secondary School. Students enjoyed the opportunity to visit the school and see the solar panel project first hand.
- DSLT members composed questions to bring back to schools in order to solicit feedback and provide guidance to the team.
- Chatelech Winter Formal was a success and the Elphinstone Winter Formal is taking place in coming weeks.
- Student Trustee Deasey and Superintendent Bocking took part in a web conference with the Nisga'a School District, as they prepare to move forward with appointing a student trustee.

Chair Pratt shared the board's appreciation for Student Trustee Deasey's advocacy in promoting the role of student trustees across the province.

ii. Operations Committee Notes – January 18, 2018

The notes were submitted as written.

MOTION: Ruth/Baxter

"THAT the board accept the *Bus Route Optimization Project Current State Assessment for School District No. 46* report."

Carried.

MOTION: Mewhort/Ruth

“That the board approve the 2017/18 amended budget”

Carried.

MOTION: Ruth/Mewhort

“THAT School District No. 46 (Sunshine Coast) Amended Annual Budget Bylaw for the fiscal year 2017/2018 in the amount of \$46,789,451, be read for a first time.”

Carried.

MOTION: Mewhort/Ruth

“THAT School District No. 46 (Sunshine Coast) Amended Annual Budget Bylaw for the fiscal year 2017/2018 in the amount of \$46,789,451, be read for a second time.”

Carried.

Trustees agreed unanimously to proceed to a third reading of the bylaw.

MOTION: Ruth/Mewhort

“THAT School District No. 46 (Sunshine Coast) Amended Annual Budget Bylaw for the fiscal year 2017/2018 in the amount of \$46,789,451, be read for a third time, passed and adopted.”

Carried.

iii. Committee of the Whole Notes – January 23, 2018

Director Bishop reported that a Non-Instructional Day (NID) had been added to the draft 2018-19 school calendar under ministry direction. As in past years, the NID date has been added to the end of the winter break. The province recently announced that the BC Family Day would take place on the third Monday of the month effective 2019. The school district is consulting with the SCTA Professional Development Committee to determine if a change to the February professional day is their preference. The district will share the draft calendar with PACs and DPAC once the February professional day date has been confirmed. The draft calendar will circulate until the March regular meeting.

MOTION: Ruth/Mewhort

“THAT the board approve the 2018-19 school calendar at the March Regular Meeting, allowing for a 30 day circulation period. ”

AMENDED MOTION: Baxter/Ruth

“THAT the board receive the 2018-19 school calendar for circulation and be brought back to the March regular meeting for consideration.”

Carried as amended.

MOTION: Baxter/Ruth

“THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 46 (Sunshine Coast) support all three motions to take forward to BCSTA AGM.”

Carried.

iv. Education Committee Notes – January 24, 2018

The notes were submitted as written.

MOTION: Ruth/Baxter

“THAT the following BAA courses be approved:

- Applications for Learning 10;
- Foundations of Inquiry 10;
- Peer Tutoring 10, 11, 12;
- Leadership 10, 11, 12;
- Sport Performance 10, 11; and
- Yearbook 10, 11, 12.”

Carried.

MOTION: Ruth/Baxter

“THAT the board approve the report form for use by NEST staff at Davis Bay Elementary School.”

Carried.

MOTION: Mewhort/Ruth

“TO receive the reports.”

Carried.

#50. Correspondence

- a. D. Duerksen – Trustee Electoral Area Changes and Ministerial Order

MOTION: Mewhort/Ruth

“TO receive the correspondence.”

Carried.

#51. Questions and Enquiries from the Public Relating to the Board Meeting

- A member of the public shared her thoughts that adding professional days to extended holidays may be difficult for vulnerable students.
- A member of the public noted that the BCPSEA Bargaining document included in the agenda package focused solely on teacher bargaining.

#52. Next Meeting

The next public board meeting will be held on March 7th, 2018.

MOTION: Mewhort/Ruth

“TO approve the committee agendas.”

Carried.

#53. Adjournment

MOTION: Mewhort/Ruth

The meeting adjourned at 8:34 p.m.

Carried.



Chair



Secretary-Treasurer