



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

Held on Wednesday, October 10th, 2018
At the School Board Office, Gibsons, B.C.

PRESENT: TRUSTEES: L. Pratt (Chair), D. Mewhort, P. Ruth, C. Younghusband (via teleconference)

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; B. Baxter, Trustee; G. Russell, Trustee

#11. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m.

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

#12. Swearing-in of Student Trustee

Secretary-Treasurer Weswick facilitated the swearing-in of incoming student trustee, Nicholas Davis, to the Board of Education of School District No. 46 (Sunshine Coast).

#13. Celebrating Education: Excellence in All We Do! – P. Bocking

Superintendent Bocking shared a message of gratitude to the outgoing board of education. A copy of the message will be attached to the minutes of the meeting. Trustees were presented with a school district blanket in recognition of their efforts and passion for education. Chair Pratt was presented with a Reflections print for her service as chair of the board.

#14. Public Question Period

- There were no questions from the public.

#15. Adoption of the Agenda

MOTION: Ruth/Mewhort

“THAT the agenda of October 10th, 2018 be adopted.”

Carried.

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

- a. Regular Meeting – September 12th, 2018
- b. Record of Closed Meeting – September 12th, 2018

MOTION: Ruth/Mewhort

“THAT the minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 12th, 2018 and the Record of the Closed Meeting of September 12th, 2018 be adopted.”

Carried.

#17. Reports

a. Executive Reports

i. Superintendent’s Report

Superintendent Bocking spoke to his written report, highlighting recent events taking place in the district. Director White and Director Bishop spoke to items in the written report.

1. Administrative Regulations:

a. Circulating to November 5th, 2018 Prior to being Repealed:

The following regulations were deemed redundant or unnecessary and are scheduled to be repealed.

i. Reg. 1260 – School Calendar

b. Revised and Circulating until December 3rd, 2018:

Additional information on revisions can be found in the committee notes of meetings taking place in September, 2018.

i. Reg. 1230 – Process for Administrative Regulations

ii. Reg. 1070 – Coaching

iii. Reg. 1150 – Graduation Ceremonies

iv. Reg. 1255 – Scholarships, District / Authority Awards and Bursaries

v. Reg. 1275 – Family Law Information

vi. Reg. 3180 – Responding to a Threat or Potential Violent Behaviour

c. Regulations to be Repealed:

The following regulations have completed the circulation phase and have been repealed.

i. Reg. 2230 – Career Programs

ii. Reg. 2920 – Distance Education

iii. Reg. 3870 – Use of Potentially Dangerous Equipment

2. Strategic Plan Reports:

a. Goal 1.g. – Outdoor Education

Superintendent Bocking spoke to the written report.

b. Goal 2.d. – Parent Communication

Superintendent Bocking spoke to the written report.

ii. Secretary-Treasurer’s Report

1. Enrolment Report

Secretary-Treasurer Weswick spoke to the enrolment report included in the agenda package and reported that the overall student enrolment was higher than expected.

2. Larger Cheques Written in the Month of September 2018

The report was provided as written. Vice-Chair Ruth sought clarification on one of the cheques included in the report.

b. Board/Committee Reports

i. Board Report

Chair Pratt reported that TEA 1 candidate Darren Inkster had submitted a request to withdraw and that ministerial approval to accept the withdrawal had been granted. As a result, the remaining candidate, Samantha Haines, was elected by acclamation for the office of trustee for TEA 1.

Chair Pratt recognized the years of service performed by her fellow trustees and thanked senior administration and staff at the board office for their support.

1. Board Evaluation Committee Notes – July 3, 2018

The notes were disclosed by board motion at the September 13th Closed Board Meeting.

2. BCSTA Report

Vice-Chair Pratt reported that Provincial Council would take place during the Trustee Academy due to election period. A joint conference with BCPSEA is scheduled for early January to introduce trustees to the bargaining process.

3. BCPSEA Report

Trustee Mewhort reported that BCPSEA continues to prepare for bargaining.

4. Student Trustee Report

Chair Pratt presented Student Trustee Davis with a school district jacket. Student Trustee Davis commented that he was honoured to be selected by his peers for the role and looks forward to representing students in the school district.

ii. Operations Committee Notes – September 20, 2018

The notes were presented as written.

MOTION: Mewhort/Ruth

“THAT the chair write a letter requesting the SCRD’s Regional Growth Strategy consultation take place after the election, when a new board is in place.”

Carried.

MOTION: Mewhort/Ruth

“THAT the chair write a letter to the Town of Gibsons requesting a buffer, or safe zone, be established around school sites when considering and issuing temporary grants to cannabis retailers and lounges.”

Carried.

MOTION: Mewhort/Ruth

“THAT the chair write a similar request to all local governments, requesting a buffer, or safe zone, be established around school sites when considering and issuing temporary grants to cannabis retailers and lounges.”

Carried.

iii. Committee of the Whole Notes – September 25, 2018

The notes were submitted as written.

1. Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services

Draft letter provided in the package. One update to add – VW provided input on the value of funds put towards education. For every one dollar spent, 11 dollars saved from the ministry of health, criminal justice.

iv. Education Committee Notes – September 26, 2018

The notes were provided as written.

MOTION: Mewhort/Ruth

“TO receive the reports.”

Carried.

#18. Correspondence

a. D. Cunliffe – Request for Letter of Support for Halfmoon Bay Community Association

MOTION: Ruth/Mewhort

“TO receive the correspondence.”

Carried.

MOTION: Ruth/Mewhort

“TO send a letter of support to the Halfmoon Bay Community Association in their bid to replace the old community hall.”

Carried.

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

- A member of the audience asked for clarification on an item included in the September cheque report. Secretary-Treasurer Weswick provided a response.
- A member of the audience asked for information on the inaugural meeting. Secretary-Treasurer Weswick indicated that the meeting would provide an opportunity for trustees to make their oath of office and to elect a board chair, vice-chair, BCSTA provincial councilor and BCPSEA representative.
- A member of the press asked for clarification of the board evaluation process. Chair Pratt summarized the various ways in which trustees had evaluated their roles in prior years.

#20. Next Meeting

The inaugural meeting of the board will take place at 7:00 pm on November 6th, 2018.

The next public board meeting will be held on November 14th, 2018.

MOTION: Ruth/Mewhort

“TO approve the committee agendas.”

Carried.

#21. Adjournment

MOTION: Mewhort/Younghusband

The meeting adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

Carried.



Pammila Ruth
Board Chair



Nicholas Weswick
Secretary-Treasurer