

School District No. 48 (Sea to Sky)

BOARD MEETING NO. 925

Oct 10, 2018
School Board Office
Squamish, BC
Time: 6.00pm

MINUTES

2018-10-10 BM-O

“We would like to acknowledge that we are privileged to meet on the traditional Territory of the Skwxwú7mesh Nation”.

The meeting was called to order at 6.02pm.

Attendance

Trustees: R. Price, I. Kent, L. Godfrey, R. Barley, R. Lythe

Staff: Superintendent McCullough, Assistant Superintendent Lorette, Assistant Superintendent Nicholson, Director Clarke, Assistant Secretary Treasurer Hughes, Executive Assistant Darch

1. AGENDA

MOVED/SECONDED: **“THAT the amended agenda of this meeting be approved.”**

CARRIED

2. MINUTES

MOVED/SECONDED: **“THAT the minutes of the Board Meeting held on Sept 12, 2018 be accepted.”**

CARRIED

MINUTES

MOVED/SECONDED: **“THAT the SUMMARY minutes of the In Camera Board Meeting held on Sept 12, 2018 be accepted.”**

CARRIED

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Chairperson’s Remarks – Thank you to Trustee Kent for taking over Chair duties over the last month.

B. Trustee Remarks – Trustee Kent thanked Squamish Elementary Principal, JiAi Cho, for the invitation to attend a carving and blanket ceremony on September 28th.

- C. Superintendent’s Remarks – Superintendent McCullough recognized acclaimed and returning school trustees, and thanked retiring trustees for their service.

Appreciation was expressed to all staff and students for a successful September start-up. Superintendent McCullough shared that the District Implementation Day is coming up on November 2nd, which will be a full day of learning and collaborating on the Education Plan. There is a Health Promoting Schools day on November 1st with guest facilitators from Vancouver Coastal Health and Whistler Sport legacies. Topics discussed will include on 24-hour movement, radon and concussion awareness, and physical literacy.

- D. Secretary Treasurer’s Remarks – None

4. RECEIVING DELEGATIONS

- A.

5. STUDENT/STAFF PRESENTATIONS

- A. Student Presentation – *Blanket Ceremony SQE*

A group of leadership students from Squamish Elementary, and their teacher, Mme. Lapp, shared their learning journey of honouring reconciliation and Aboriginal cultures. They presented a slideshow, illustrating their activities over the last year, which included carving clan animals, creating a blanket (blessed at a recent blanket ceremony), playing traditional games, drumming, and singing.

Staff Presentation – None

6. TRUSTEE ITEMS

- A. None

7. BOARD COMMITTEES

- A. Committee of the Whole – *Trustee Price*
Minutes

Recommendation: **“THAT the minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting held on Sept 12, 2018 be accepted.”** CARRIED

- B. Policy Committee – *Trustee Godfrey*
Minutes

Recommendation: **“THAT the minutes of the Policy Committee meeting held on Sep 12, 2018 be accepted.”** CARRIED

C. Finance Committee – *Trustee Kent*

Minutes

Recommendation: **“THAT the minutes of the Finance meeting held Sept 12, 2018 be accepted.”**

D. Public Relations Committee – *Trustee Godfrey*

Minutes

Recommendation: **“THAT the minutes of the Public Relations Committee meeting held Sep 12, 2018 be accepted.”**

CARRIED

8. GENERAL

A. Business Arising - None

B. Information Items

i. Enrolment Review – *Assistant Superintendent Lorette*

An update based on the actual enrollment as of September 30th was presented, as well as eight-year trends on a variety of enrollment metrics.

Of note:

- Whistler and Squamish enrollment is showing steady growth, whereas Pemberton is slightly decreasing.
- French immersion is steadily increasing with growth in all communities.
- Overall, International student enrollment is increasing year over year, with the exception of last year. Regarding communities, Whistler is going down because of lack of homestay and Pemberton going up (more homestays available).
- Resident enrollment breakdown by grade indicates a wave is growing from the primary years.

ii. Facilities Review – *Assistant Secretary Treasurer Hughes*

The portable at Myrtle Phillip is expected to be available for occupancy at the end of October 2018. Trustee Godfrey requested a status update on the bus pullout at the end of Buckley. According to the District of Squamish, the project is complete.

iii. Staffing Review – *Superintendent McCullough*

All positions were filled by the first week of school with one teacher starting the second week of school. Our class size requirements are fulfilled. We will have 0.1 teacher needed to complete the ratios. Two more small applications, related to Article 75, need to be done and they will also be complete. Moving forward, mid-year vacancies may become a challenge, particularly with French immersion classrooms. We will continue to advertise for TTOCs and EAs.

iv. Attachments/Correspondence

- (1) Field Trips
- (2) Media Report – All encouraged to read

iv. Curriculum & Grad – *Assistant Superintendent Nicholson*

An update on curriculum and graduation program changes was sent to parents on October 1st. Highlights of the communication included the news that all provincial exams from the 2004 Graduation Program are in the process of being replaced with a Provincial Numeracy Assessment (implemented last school year) and a Provincial Literacy Assessment (to be implemented in January 2020). And, Grade 11-12 locally developed courses, known as Board/Authority Courses (BAA) courses, are also being reviewed this year. They will either be revised to align with the new curriculum or retired if the course(s) are being replaced by new provincial courses that cover the same content.

C. Items for Discussion

D. Policy Amendment Motions

MOVED/SECONDED: **“THAT the Board of Education approves changes to Policy 200.2 Trustee Role, as presented.”**
CARRIED

MOVED/SECONDED: **“THAT the Board of Education repeals the following policies and regulations from the 300 series, including: 300.1, 302.1, 302.2, 302.3, 302.4, 304.1, and 304.5 and the following policies and regulations from the 400 series, including: 400.1, 400.2, 401.1, 401.2, 401.3, 402.1, 402.2, 403.1, 403.2, 404.1, 404.2, 404.3, 404.4, 405.1, and 405.6 and policy 701.2 and include all in the Human Resources Handbook, as presented.”**
CARRIED

MOVED/SECONDED: **“THAT the Board of Education repeals the following policies and regulations from the 900 series, including: 901.3 and 903.2 and include in the Business Handbook, and repeal policy 901.5, as presented.”**
CARRIED

E. Action Items

- i. Board Remuneration

MOVED/SECONDED: **“THAT the Board of Education approve to increase the trustee annual remuneration by 8.4%, effective January 1st, 2019, as presented.**

DEFEATED

MOVED/SECONDED: **“THAT the Board of Education approve to increase the trustee annual remuneration by 8.4%, effective January 1st, 2019 to offset the new CRA taxation regulations.**

CARRIED

- ii. Public Sector Executive Compensation (PSEC) Report
Assistant Secretary-Treasurer Hughes read the letter included in the Board package regarding the report and shared that these reports are required by the Public Sector Secretariat.

MOVED/SECONDED: **“THAT the Board of Education approve the Public Sector Executive Compensation report as presented, for submission to PSEC.”**

CARRIED

F. Items to be brought out of Camera - None

9. QUESTIONS OF CLARIFICATION FROM THE PUBLIC - None

10. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED/SECONDED: **“THAT the meeting be adjourned.”** CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 7:05pm

R. Price

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Board Chair

Secretary-Treasurer