



**Open Board Meeting of the Board of Education
School District No. 27 (Cariboo-Chilcotin)
MINUTES**

**Tuesday, January 28, 2014
Board Room**

Trustees Present: Tanya Guenther, Chair
Doug Neufeld, Vice-Chair
Jackie Austin, Trustee
Sheila Boehm, Trustee
Chris Pettman, Trustee
William VanOsch, Trustee

Regrets: Joyce Cooper, Trustee

Staff Present: Mark Thiessen, Superintendent of Schools
Kevin Futchter, Secretary Treasurer
Harj Manhas, Assistant Superintendent of Schools
Connee Newberry, Executive Assistant

Guests: J. Beauchamp, Director of Instruction (Education Services)
J. Fichtner, District Vice-Principal
M. Franklin, Principal
Members of Public and Media

- 1. Public Budget Presentation of the Amended Annual Budget 2013-2014**
The Secretary Treasurer provided an overview of the amended annual budget. There were no questions from trustees or public.

- 2. Opening of Meeting by Chair**
 - 2.1. Call to Order**
The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:49 pm.

 - 2.2. Acknowledgement of Meeting Held on Traditional Secwepemc (Shuswap) Territory**
The Chair acknowledged that the meeting was being held on traditional Secwepemc (Shuswap) territory.

- 3. Agenda and Minutes**
 - 3.1. Approval of Agenda**
O2014.01.28-01 It was duly moved and seconded:
THAT the agenda of the regular open meeting of the Board of Education be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED Unanimously

3.2. Adoption of Minutes

O2014.01.28-02 It was duly moved and seconded:
THAT the minutes of the regular open meeting of the Board of Education,
dated 10 December 2013, be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

3.3. Receipt of Closed Meeting Report

O2014.01.28-03 It was duly moved and seconded:
THAT the Board of Education receives the Closed Meeting Report on
items discussed and decisions made at the 10 December 2013 special
closed meeting of the Board of Education.

CARRIED Unanimously

4. Public Participation (Section 1)

4.1. District Showcasing

District Vice-Principal, Jan Fichtner and Principal, Mike Franklin
showcased "Supporting Students with Learning Behaviors and Alternate
Programs".

4.2. Scheduled Delegations - none

4.3. Employee Liaison Written Reports (CCPVPA, CCTA, IUOE) - no reports

4.4. District Parent Advisory Council Written Report - none

4.5. Public Input/Comment on Items ON the Agenda - none

5. Action Items

5.1. 2013-2014 Amended Annual Budget Bylaw

O2014.01.28-04 It was duly moved and seconded:
THAT School District No. 27 (Cariboo-Chilcotin) Amended Annual Budget
Bylaw for fiscal year 2013-2014 in the amount of \$62,964,209.00 be read
a first time this 28th day of January 2014.

CARRIED Unanimously

O2014.01.28-05 It was duly moved and seconded:
THAT School District No. 27 (Cariboo-Chilcotin) Amended Annual Budget
Bylaw for fiscal year 2013-2014 in the amount of \$62,964,209.00 be read
a second time this 28th day of January 2014.

CARRIED Unanimously

5.2. Annual Facilities Grant (AFG) - Amended Bylaw

O2014.01.28-06 It was duly moved and seconded:
THAT, in accordance with Section 68(4) of the *School Act*, the Board of
Education unanimously agrees to give the School District No. 27 (Cariboo-

Chilcotin) Amended Annual Capital Project Bylaw 126622-02 (2013-2014 Annual Facilities Grant) all three readings at this meeting.

CARRIED Unanimously

O2014.01.28-07 It was duly moved and seconded:
THAT School District No. 27 (Cariboo-Chilcotin) Capital Project Amendment Bylaw 126622-02 (2013-2014 Annual Facility Grant) specifying a total maximum allocation of \$1,127,810.00 be read a first time this 28th day of January 2014.

CARRIED Unanimously

O2014.01.28-08 It was duly moved and seconded:
THAT School District No. 27 (Cariboo-Chilcotin) Capital Project Amendment Bylaw 126622-02 (2013-2014 Annual Facility Grant) specifying a total maximum allocation of \$1,127,810.00 be read a second time this 28th day of January 2014.

CARRIED Unanimously

O2014.01.28-09 It was duly moved and seconded:
THAT School District No. 27 (Cariboo-Chilcotin) Capital Project Amendment Bylaw 126622-02 (2013-2014 Annual Facility Grant) specifying a total maximum allocation of \$1,127,810.00 be read a third time, passed and adopted this 28th day of January 2014.

CARRIED Unanimously

5.3. 150 Mile Greenbelt Trail and Heritage Society

O2014.01.28-10 It was duly moved and seconded:
That the Board of Education approve the application of the 150 Mile Green Belt and Heritage Society to open the Old 150 Mile Schoolhouse to tourists for July and August 2014, at no cost to the Board.

CARRIED Unanimously

5.4. Locally Approved Resources

O2014.01.28-11 It was duly moved and seconded:
THAT the Board of Education approve, in accordance with Policy 6163.1 Selection of Learning Resources, as a School District No. 27 (Cariboo-Chilcotin) local resource: Physical Education (Rugby 11), *Laws of the Game: Rugby Union*.

CARRIED Unanimously

5.5. Letter to Premier, Ministers of Education and Finance

By consensus the Board agreed to revise the letter to Provincial authorities by: removing the last two sentences of 1st paragraph on 2nd page. cc: to all BCSTA Boards.

The Board also wants a formal invitation sent to Minister Fassbender and local MLA's to visit the school district (out west).

O2014.01.28-12 It was duly moved and seconded:
THAT the Board of Education distribute, as revised, the letter to the Premier of BC and Ministers of Education and Finance regarding the increased costs to school districts that Government is not funding.

CARRIED Unanimously

5.6. Correspondence Report

O2014.01.28-13 It was duly moved and seconded:
THAT the Board of Education receive the correspondence as listed in the Open Correspondence Report dated 24 January 2014.

CARRIED Unanimously

5.7. 3110 Budgetting

Trustee VanOsch gave notice that at the next open meeting of the Board, scheduled for 25 February 2014, he would move to adopt revisions to Policy 3110 Budgetting.

O2014.01.28-14 It was duly moved and seconded:
THAT the Board of Education post the revised draft Budgetting policy to the District's website for public input and that the input be considered before final adoption of the policy.

Amendment:

O2014.01.28-15 It was duly moved and seconded:
Amend motion O2014.01.28-14 by adding "District Staff to prepare and distribute press release regarding this."

CARRIED

Main motion as Amended:

THAT the Board of Education post the revised draft Budgetting policy to the District's website for public input and that the input be considered before final adoption of the policy and that District Staff prepare and distribute a press release regarding this.

CARRIED

O2014.01.28-16 It was duly moved and seconded:
THAT the Board of Education adopt the timeline for the 2014-2015 Budget Process, as presented.

CARRIED Unanimously

5.8. 1125 Freedom of Information Protection of Privacy

The Board reviewed Policy 1125 Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy and no changes were recommended at this time. The Board indicated staff direction on specific items, as needed, could be addressed through the Administrative Reference Manual.

5.9. New: Whistleblower Protection

Trustee Neufeld gave notice that at the 25 February 2014 meeting of the Board, he would move to adopt the newly written Whistleblower Protection policy.

O2014.01.28-17 It was duly moved and seconded:

THAT the Board of Education post the draft Whistleblower Protection policy to the District's website for public input and that the input be considered before final adoption of the policy and that District Staff prepare and distribute a press release to this effect.

CARRIED Unanimously

5.10. 5141.2 Anaphylaxis

Trustee VanOsch gave notice that at the next meeting of the Board, scheduled for 25 February 2014, he would move that revisions to Policy 5141.2 Anaphylaxis be adopted.

O2014.01.28-18 It was duly moved and seconded:

THAT the Board of Education post the revised draft Anaphylaxis policy to the District's website for public input and that the input be considered before final adoption of the policy and that District Staff prepare and distribute a press release to this effect.

CARRIED

5.11. 1120.5 Committees of the Board

O2014.01.28-19 It was duly moved and seconded:

THAT the Board of Education request feedback from the two Standing Committees (Education and Business) as to the effectiveness of the new committee structure and report back to the next regularly scheduled meeting in February.

CARRIED Unanimously

O2014.01.28-20 It was duly moved and seconded:

THAT the Board of Education direct District Staff to update the current draft Policy 1120.5 Committees of the Board and to include information from the ad hoc committee reviewing the First Nation Education Committee structure for review by the Board at its next meeting scheduled for February.

CARRIED Unanimously

O2014.01.28-21 It was duly moved and seconded:
In preparation of the draft Policy 1120.5 Committees of the Board, the Board of Education direct District Staff to review and update the Procedural Bylaw for the Board's consideration at the 25 February 2014 meeting.

CARRIED Unanimously

5.12. Community Use of Facilities

O2014.01.28-22 It was duly moved and seconded:
THAT the Board of Education direct District Staff to send out a press release advising that Policy 3513 Community Use of Facilities is posted to the website.

CARRIED Unanimously

5.13. Energy Management Policy

The Superintendent provided information regarding the new District level energy management committee called the Quantam Team and requested the Board consider a policy regarding energy management.

O2014.01.28-23 It was duly moved and seconded:
THAT the Board of Education refer the development of an energy management policy to, firstly, the Education Committee and, secondly, to the Business Committee.

CARRIED

5.14. Bus Rate Fee for Independent Schools

The Board of Education reviewed the current bus rate of \$30.00 per student per month charged to independent schools and no changes were recommended.

5.15. Boarding Allowance Rate

The Board of Education reviewed the current boarding allowance rate of \$500.00 per month paid to students in accordance with Policy 3543.1 Boarding Allowance and no changes were recommended.

5.16. Transportation Assistance Rate

The Board of Education reviewed the current transportation assistance rate of \$0.30/km to a maximum of \$15.00 plus \$0.30 per day for each additional child and no changes were recommended.

5.17. International Students Tuition

The Board of Education reviewed the current tuition rate charged to international students of \$12,000.00 for a full school year, \$6,000.00 for a half school year and is payable in advance by wire transfer and is non-refundable. A shorter attendance period may be pro-rated relative to the time. No change was recommended.

6. Discussion Items

6.1. Upcoming Meetings and Conferences

The Board of Education reviewed the schedule of upcoming meetings and conferences.

- Tuesday June 17 date was selected for the Retirement Dinner.
- Provincial Council is scheduled for Feb 21-22

6.2. Grading of PE

O2014.01.28-24 It was duly moved and seconded:

THAT the Board of Education refer the consideration of not grading elementary grades 4-7 PE to the Education Committee.

CARRIED Unanimously

7. Information Items

7.1. Administration Reports

O2014.01.28-25 It was duly moved and seconded:

THAT the Board of Education extend the meeting past the three hour requirement to 10:00 pm.

CARRIED 2/3 majority

7.1.1. Superintendent of Schools

The Superintendent reported on the following:

1. LCSS and PSO consultation with students regarding student trustee.
2. Blue Ribbon Presentation - crime prevention in the Williams Lake area.
3. UBC Recruiting
4. Local Education Agreement template
5. LCSS and PSO applications for Provincial Construction grants
6. Ministry announcement - Jan Unwin, named Superintendent of Achievement (Graduation)
7. Social Media Expert - Feb 11 for students during day and public in evening. May be webcast to PSO.

7.1.2. Secretary-Treasurer

The Secretary Treasurer provided information on recent Baragar training.

7.2. Board Committee Chair Reports

7.2.1. Education Committee

Minutes from the last meeting were attached.

7.2.2. Business Committee

Minutes from the last meeting were attached.

7.2.3. First Nations Education Committee

No January meeting. Next meeting Feb 3.

7.3. Board Liaison Committee Reports

7.3.1. BCSTA Provincial Council - no update

7.3.2. BCPSEA

Trustee Austin did not attend BCPSEA meetings due to cancellation of flights (weather).

7.3.3. Other

Chair Guenther reported on ad hoc committee meetings held regarding First Nations Education Committee.

Trustee VanOsch reported on his tour of PSO construction site.

8. Public Participation (Section 2)

8.1. Public Questions Regarding Items NOT On the Agenda

Questions from the public:

1. Heating charges - from baseline of zero or the difference of where it is shut down to
2. School use helps to broaden and solidify education for students.
3. What is true board purpose of the new policy on Community Use of Facilities
4. funding received cradle to grave - this policy is restricting education to K-12.
5. Class size - Ministry ruling what are the impacts on the School District?

9. Adjournment

O2014.01.28-26 It was duly moved and seconded:

THAT the Board of Education adjourn the meeting at 9:46 pm.

CARRIED

Kevin Futchter
Secretary Treasurer

Tanya Guenther
Chair