



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

PUBLIC

Tuesday, April 29, 2014
Board Room

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

Regrets: Jackie Austin, Trustee

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

Guests: Jerome Beauchamp, Director of Instruction
Media

1. Opening by Chair

1.1. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:35 pm.

1.2. Acknowledgement of Meeting Held on Traditional Secwepemc (Shuswap) Territory

The Chair acknowledged that the meeting was being held on traditional Secwepemc (Shuswap) territory.

2. Agenda and Minutes

2.1. Approval of Agenda

O2014.04.29-01 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

2.2. Adoption of Minutes

O2014.04.29-02 It was duly moved and seconded:
THAT the minutes of the regular open meeting of the Board of Education,
dated 25 March 2014, be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED Unanimously

2.3. Receipt of Closed Meeting Report

Trustee Neufeld announced that the Board of Education has, due to teacher job action, suspended committees for the month of May 2014.

O2014.04.29-03 It was duly moved and seconded:

THAT the Board of Education receives the Closed Meeting Report on items discussed and decisions made at the 04 and 25 March and 02 April 2014 special closed meetings of the Board of Education.

CARRIED Unanimously

3. Public Participation (Section 1)

3.1. District Showcasing

3.1.1. Big Lake Elementary School - Speech Arts

School Principal, Judy Vanderzwan introduced Speech Arts students who have participated in recent Speech Art activities and competitions. The students recited stories.

3.1.2. First Nation Education Role Models

Jeremy Smith was present and reported on his activities over the year and the impact of being a First Nation role model.

3.2. Scheduled Delegations - none

3.3. Employee Liaison Written Reports (CCPVPA, CCTA, IUOE) - none

3.4. District Parent Advisory Council Written Report - none

3.5. Public Input/Comment on Items ON the Agenda

Public input on items on the agenda were made by:

- Jack MacInnis, Grade 2, in Balanced Calendar - in favour of balanced calendar.

- Tara Sharp, mother of 3, 2 in balanced calendar. Question as to why small schools aren't being considered for closing and balanced calendar is being targeted.

4. Action Items

4.1. Procedural Bylaw

O2014.04.29-04 It was duly moved and seconded:

THAT the Board of Education amend previously adopted motion O2014.03.25-10 by replacing "Policy 1120.5 Committees of the Board" with "Procedural Bylaw B2702" to read in full:

THAT the Board of Education direct District Staff to revise Procedural Bylaw B2702 to reflect that quorum for the Business and Education committees will be set to two trustees.

CARRIED Unanimously

O2014.04.29-05 It was duly moved and seconded:
THAT Procedural Bylaw 2702, that pursuant to section 67(5) of the *School Act* outlines the rules and procedures in the conduct of Board meetings, be read a second time this 29th day of April 2014.

CARRIED Unanimously

4.2. Preliminary Budget 2014-2015 and Balanced Calendar

The Secretary Treasurer provided an overview of the preliminary operating budget for 2014-2015.

O2014.04.29-06 It was duly moved and seconded:
THAT the Board of Education move into informal consideration of the Preliminary Budget 2014-2015 and Balanced Calendar.

CARRIED

O2014.04.29-07 It was duly moved and seconded:
THAT the Board of Education, due to increasing budget pressures, discontinue offering the Balanced Calendar at Cataline Elementary School, effective at the close of the 2013-2014 school year.

CARRIED Unanimously

O2014.04.29-08 It was duly moved and seconded:
THAT the Board of Education direct District Staff to initiate a school of choice process outside of the parameters of Board's School of Choice policy 5117 for students currently enrolled in the Balance Calendar and that it be circulated to parents affected.

CARRIED Unanimously

4.3. International Trip: Horsefly School - May 2014

O2014.04.29-09 It was duly moved and seconded:
THAT the Board of Education, after considering input from the Education Committee, approve in principle, the international field trip to Seattle, WA for grades 7-9 students of Horsefly Elementary-Junior Secondary School, from 6-10 May 2014, for the purpose of allowing students to experience educational opportunities across the boarder and opportunities to explore the culture and history of another country, pending all documentation is in place with final approval from the Superintendent of Schools.

CARRIED Unanimously

4.4. International Trip: Lake City Secondary to Hawaii - March 2015

O2014.04.29-10 It was duly moved and seconded:
THAT the Board of Education, after considering input from the Education Committee, approve in principle, the international field trip to Honolulu, HI for the Lake City Secondary School Girl's Rugby team, from 13-21 May 2015, for the purpose of allowing students to experience playing rugby against similar teams from other parts of the world, pending all

documentation is in place with final approval from the Superintendent of Schools.

CARRIED Unanimously

4.5. Grading of PE

O2014.04.29-11 It was duly moved and seconded:
THAT the Board of Education, after considering input from the Education Committee, consider evaluating grading processes, including not using letter grading, of new curriculum supporting the Ministry of Education's 21st Century Learning initiative when the majority of new curriculum becomes available.

CARRIED Unanimously

4.6. Annual Facilities Bylaw

The Secretary Treasurer provided information regarding the 2014-2015 Annual Facilities Grant.

O2014.04.29-12 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) Capital Project Bylaw 126747 (2014-2015 Annual Facility Grant) all three readings at this meeting.

CARRIED Unanimously

O2014.04.29-13 It was duly moved and seconded:
THAT School District No. 27 (Cariboo-Chilcotin) Capital Project Bylaw 126747 (2014-2015 Annual Facility Grant) specifying a total maximum allocation of \$1,439,561.00 be read a first time this 29th day of April 2014.

CARRIED Unanimously

O2014.04.29-14 It was duly moved and seconded:
THAT School District No. 27 (Cariboo-Chilcotin) Capital Project Bylaw 126747 (2014-2015 Annual Facility Grant) specifying a total maximum allocation of \$1,439,561.00 be read a second time this 29th day of April 2014.

CARRIED Unanimously

O2014.04.29-15 It was duly moved and seconded:
THAT School District No. 27 (Cariboo-Chilcotin) Capital Project Bylaw 126747 (2014-2015 Annual Facility Grant) specifying a total maximum allocation of \$1,439,561.00 be read a third time, passed and adopted this 29th day of April 2014.

CARRIED Unanimously

4.7. Teacherage Rental Rates

O2014.04.29-16: It was duly moved and seconded:
THAT the Board of Education refer policy 3522 Teacherages to the Business Committee to update in keeping with the *School Act*.

CARRIED Unanimously

O2014.04.29-17 It was duly moved and seconded:
THAT the Board of Education, in accordance with s. 105 of the *School Act*, set the rental rates for teacherages, effective 01 September 2014 to be as follows:

- \$218.20 12' Wide or less - Single Wide Mobile
- \$262.77 Over 12' Wide - Single Wide Mobile
- \$266.29 Double Wide Mobile and House
- \$175.96 One Bedroom Greenall
- \$201.77 Two Bedroom Greenall

CARRIED

4.8. Policies

4.8.1. Draft Policy - Student Trustee

The Superintendent and Trustee Pettman provided information regarding a student trustee policy. The Superintendent advised that he would be implementing a district student leadership council.

O2014.04.29-18 It was duly moved and seconded:
THAT the Board of Education direct District Staff to make revisions to the Student Trustee draft policy to address a trustee mentor and the selection of student trustees.

MOTION TO POSTPONE:

O2014.04.29-19 It was duly moved and seconded:
THAT the Board of Education postpone consideration of motion O2014.04.29-18 to make changes to the proposed draft policy Student Trustees until one year after the commencement of a formation of District Student Advisory Council, and obtain the input of the District Student Advisory Council.

CARRIED

4.8.2. Policy 1120.5 Committees of the Board

The Chair presented information received from the ad hoc committee struck to review this policy.

O2014.04.29-20 It was duly moved and seconded:
THAT the Board of Education, after considering input from the Business Committee, the First Nations Education Committee and the public, adopt revised policy 1120.5 Committees of the Board.

CARRIED Unanimously

O2014.04.29-21 It was duly moved and seconded:
THAT the Board of Education refer policy 1120.4 Policy Development to the Business Committee to ensure congruency with newly revised policy 1120.5 Committees of the Board and in the interim that the Board continue following the process currently in use.

CARRIED Unanimously

4.8.3. Policies Previously Referred to the Policy Committee

By consensus, the Board of Education agreed to review the following policies to initiate discussion regarding philosophy and disposition of policy, through a ThoughtStream process and to consider policies at the 24 June 2014 meeting:

1710 Small Rural Schools
5146 Physical Restraint of Students
6141.3 Rural Secondary Schools
NEW Professional Autonomy of Assessment
NEW Health Education
1160 School Board Powers and Duties
1240 Volunteers in the Classroom
2212 Selection of P/VP
2212.1 Admin Training for P/VP
4117.1 Supervision/ Evaluation of P/VP - Doug
4131.3 Leadership Training Prg
2100 Administration and Management
NEW Excluded Staff Selection (Non Teaching)
NEW Trustee Code of Conduct
NEW Conflict of Interest

4.9. Correspondence Report

Trustee Cooper to address LCSS Graduates.

O2014.04.29-22 It was duly moved and seconded:
THAT the Board of Education receive the correspondence as listed in the Open Correspondence Report dated 25 April 2014.

CARRIED

4.10. IUOE Bargaining Team (added later)

Chair Guenther appointed Trustee VanOsch and Trustee Guenther with Trustee Cooper as alternate to the IUOE Bargaining Committee.

4.11. Retirement Celebration (added later)

By consensus the Board of Education agreed to offer two dates for the Board's retirement recognition dinners: June 17 (Principals/Vice-Principals and Teachers) and June 25 (Support Staff).

O2014.04.29-23 It was duly moved and seconded:
THAT the Board of Education extend the Orders of the Day by 30 minutes.
CARRIED Unanimously

5. Discussion Items

5.1. Upcoming Meetings and Conferences

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

BCPSEA meeting held in Prince George, Friday, 02 May 2014. The Board suspended the Education and Business committees in May 2014.

6. Information Items

6.1. Administration Reports

6.1.1. Superintendent of Schools

The Superintendent provided an update regarding Student Teacher Candidates visiting the School District

6.1.2. Secretary-Treasurer

6.1.2.1. Anahim Lake Energy Upgrade

The Secretary Treasurer provided information regarding upgrades to Anahim Lake energy.

6.1.2.2. PSO - Capital Project Update

The Secretary Treasurer provided information regarding the PSO upgrade.

Trustees, by consensus agreed to having a tour and grand opening ceremony inviting local dignitaries.

6.2. Outstanding Motions and Directions

The Board of Education reviewed the list of outstanding motions and directions.

6.3. Board Committee Chair Reports

6.3.1. Education Committee – Minutes were attached

6.3.2. Business Committee - Minutes were attached.

6.3.3. First Nations Education Committee - Minutes were attached.

6.4. Board Liaison Committee Reports

6.4.1. BCSTA Provincial Council

Trustee Guenther attended the BCSTA Provincial Council meeting. The new budget includes an increase in fees.

6.4.2. BCPSEA

There is a meeting with BCPSEA on Friday, 02 May 2014 in Prince George to discuss teacher job action.

6.4.3. Other

Trustee Guenther - NIB information will be attached to next meeting

Conflict of Interest committee - concluded with report submitted to BCSTA

Board met with the Minister and Ministry Officials - SD27 extended invitation for the Minister to visit - perhaps early fall for a tour of the District.

7. Public Participation (Section 2)

7.1. Public Questions Regarding Items NOT On the Agenda

Questions were asked regarding the leasing of space for daycare facilities at Kwaleen or any other closed facilities.

8. Adjournment

O2014.04.29-23 It was duly moved and seconded:

THAT the Board of Education adjourn the meeting at 9:50 pm.

CARRIED

Kevin Futchter
Secretary Treasurer

Tanya Guenther
Chair