



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

Tuesday, October 28, 2014

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

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

Jerome Beauchamp, Director of Instruction (Student Services) (part)
Rob Taylor, Director of Instruction (Human Resources) (part)

Guests Members of the public and media

1. Opening by Chair

1.1. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:41 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.

1.3. Approval of Agenda

O2014.10.28-01 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

2. Public Participation (Section 1)

2.1. District Showcasing – none

2.2. Scheduled Delegations: By consensus this item was postponed to later in the meeting.

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

2.4. District Parent Advisory Council Written Report - none

2.5. Public Input/Comment on Items ON the Agenda – none

3. Consent Agenda

The Chair gave opportunity for items to be removed from the Consent Agenda for separate consideration. Item 3.6.1 Superintendent's Report was removed.

O2014.10.28-02: It was duly moved and seconded:

THAT the Board of Education adopts all items listed on the Consent Agenda, with the exception of item 3.6.1 Superintendent Report.

CARRIED Unanimously

The following motions and items were included on the Consent Agenda:

3.1. Adoption of Minutes

THAT the minutes of the regular open meeting of the Board of Education, dated 23 September 2014, be adopted as circulated.

3.2. Receipt of Closed Meeting Report

THAT the Board of Education receives the Closed Meeting Report on items discussed and decisions made at the 09, 18 and 23 September 2014 and 08 October 2014 special closed meetings of the Board of Education.

3.3. Upcoming Meetings and Conferences Report

3.4. Outstanding Motions and Directions Report 2014.10.24

3.5. Correspondence Report

THAT the Board of Education receive the correspondence as listed in the Open Correspondence Report dated 24 October 2014.

3.6. Administration Reports

3.6.2. Secretary-Treasurer

3.7. Board Committee Chair Reports

3.7.1. Education Committee Report (Minutes)

3.7.1.1. Social Promotion Report

3.7.2. Business Committee Report (Minutes)

3.7.3. First Nations Education Committee - minutes not available

3.7.4. Ad Hoc Committee - Catchment Areas (Minutes)

3.8. Board Liaison Committee Reports

3.8.1. BCSTA Provincial Council

BCSTA Provincial Council met October 24-25, 2014.

3.8.2. BCPSEA - no report

3.8.3. Other

Report from Trustee Guenther

3.9. International Travel - PSO to Costa Rica

THAT the Board of Education, after considering input from the Education Committee, approve in principle, international travel to Costa Rica, scheduled for 07-15 July 2015, for Grade 8-12 students of Peter Skene Ogden Secondary School, pending all required documentation and procedures are in place and approved by the Superintendent of Schools.

3.6.1 Superintendent Report

The Superintendent provided an update regarding a Regional Education Council, comprising of TRU, CCPL and other community members. The meeting was the first to discuss bridging gaps between secondary school and post secondary school.

2. Public Participation (Section 1)

2.2. Scheduled Delegations

2.2.1. Local Education Agreement Signing Ceremony - Canim Lake

Chief Mike Archie gave a traditional welcome to the Board of Education. The Board continued with a ceremonial signing of the Local Education Agreement. Michelle Archie, LEA Education Coordinator and Jerome Beauchamp commented on the process. The Board thanked the Canim Lake Band and the First Nations Education Department for the work done in negotiating the agreement.

4. Action Items

4.1. Annual Report from the Board

Trustees identified the following items to be included in its Final Report to the newly elected Board:

- **Successes:** Realignment of schools within the District; improved relations between Board and Administration; improved/changed governance structure - meetings and agenda; inclusion of public being to speak to the agenda at board meetings; board relationships as a whole - effective board; building relationships with First Nation communities on a positive upswing; voice for parents to come to trustees; board working with staff; LEA signing ceremony; streamlined meetings; board working as a team - cohesiveness - we are where other boards want to be; learned alot; setting processes - setting

criteria - key part for organization - gives credibility - defend the process;

- Lessons Learned: hiring practices of senior team; initial options plan - defining the process and plan the process - solid decisions made by following the process; recognizing traditional territory is a positive step looked at from the Province - BCSTA - Ab Ed.
- Outstanding Issues: 100MH Elementary; Rural and Remote Education

A final report will be prepared by District Staff and received at the 25 November 2014 meeting of the Board.

4.1.1. Concluding the Work of the Board's Committees

4.1.1.1. Business Committee Final Report

The Board reviewed the final year-end report from the Business Committee and will include active items in its Annual Year-End Report. The Board discussed the progression of Policy 3513 Community Use of Facilities. Further consideration required to clarify:

1. Cost of Use to the Board (no cost to the Board);
2. Security/Liability of the Board (having District personnel on-site)
3. Liability (including groups that do not carry their own insurance)

An ad hoc committee could be struck to clarify these and other considerations in revising the current policy. As more work is required by the Board, information regarding this policy will be part the Annual Year-End Report.

4.1.1.2. Education Committee Final Report

The Board reviewed the final year-end report from the Education Committee and will include active items in its Annual Year-End Report.

4.1.1.3. Ad Hoc Committee - Catchment Areas Final Report

Trustee VanOsch gave notice that at the 25 November 2014 meeting of the Board, he will move that the following motions be rescinded:

1. 2011.01.25 07.11: THAT the Board of Education direct staff to research catchment areas and cross boundary transfers to determine the cost implications of allowing open catchments. The considerations should include the number of students who cross boundary for special programming,

numbers for non-program related transfer, and a model showing school configuration if catchments were strictly enforced.

2. 2011.01.25 06.11: THAT the Board of Education direct staff to determine the cost included in bussing students cross boundaries and walk limits. The review should include current bus routes and consideration of how routes may be changed to operate more effectively.

O2014.10.28-03 It was duly moved and seconded:
THAT the Board of Education consider the following item complete:

2013.11.26 (Planning Session) The Board briefly discussed the following: bussing efficiently and effectively; policy walk limits; cross boundary and school of choice; rural school enrolment decline; catchment area realignments; why are families choosing certain schools. It was agreed that further discussion of this topic be added to a future planning session.

CARRIED Unanimously

4.1.2. Outstanding Motions and Directions

Trustee Cooper left the meeting at 7:56 pm and returned at 8:01 pm.

Trustee Boehm gave notice that at the 25 November 2014 meeting of the Board, she will move that the following motions be rescinded:

1.O2013.01.29-24: THAT the Board of Education invite the grades 10-12 students from Williams Lake Secondary School participating in the International school trip to London, Paris, Venice and Rome in July 2014 to make, upon their return, a presentation to the Board of Education regarding their trip objectives of learning about the world around them.

2.O2013.02.26-12 THAT the Board of Education invite the grades 10-12 students from Columneetza and Williams Lake secondary schools participating in the international school trip to Costa Rica in March 2014 to make, upon their return, a presentation to the Board of Education regarding their trip objectives of exploring the biologically diverse country of Costa Rica and visiting local schools.

3.O2013.10.22-18 THAT the Board of Education invite the girls soccer team from Lake City Secondary School participating in the

international school trip to California 13-20 March 2014 to make, upon their return, a presentation to the Board of Education regarding their trip objectives of competing and building a "Culture of Caring" within LCSS.

4.O2013.12.10-10 THAT the Board of Education invite the grades 10-12 students from Lake City Secondary School participating in the International school trip to Scotland and Ireland, scheduled for Spring Break 2015 to make, upon their return, a presentation to the Board of Education regarding their trip objectives to learn about the history and conflicts between north and south Ireland.

5.O2014.06.24-12 THAT the Board of Education write a letter to the Minister of Finance, the Minister of Education and the Premier of BC and request additional funding to support the increasing needs of the vulnerable students in this District.

6.O2013.09.24-11 THAT the Board of Education direct District Staff to review with BCSTA issues regarding conflict of interest on union liaison committees.

O2014.10.28-04: It was duly moved and seconded:

THAT the Board of Education considers the following motion completed:

2012.06.26-110-12 THAT the Board of Education commit to meet with elected officials of the City of Williams Lake, Cariboo Regional District, District of 100 Mile House, Chiefs of Bands within the School District boundaries, and MLA's on a biannual basis, typically Fall and Spring.

CARRIED

4.1.3. Policy Review

O2014.10.28-05: It was duly moved and seconded:

THAT the Board of Education consider the following policies for revision:

- 2212.1 Administrative Training Program Principals/Vice-Principals
- NEW Conflict of Interest
- NEW Trustee Code of Conduct
- 5146 Physical Restraint of Students
- NEW Excluded Staff Selection (Non Teaching)

CARRIED Unanimously

4.1.4. Board's Annual Self-Review

The Board's Annual Self-Review will become part of the Board's Annual Year-End Review.

4.2. Policy

4.2.1. 3522 Teacherages

Trustee Boehm gave notice of motion that at the 25 November 2014 meeting of the Board, she will move that the Board of Education, after considering input from the Business Committee and the public, adopt changes to Policy 3522 Teacherages as presented.

O2014.10.28-06 It was duly moved and seconded:

THAT the Board of Education seek public input, via the District's website, regarding the recommended changes to Policy 3522 Teacherages.

CARRIED

4.2.2. Policy 1120.4 Policy Development

Trustee Neufeld gave notice that at the 25 November 2014 meeting of the Board, he will move that the Board of Education, after consideration of input from the Business Committee and public, adopts revisions to Policy 1120.4 Policy Development, as presented.

O2014.10.28-07 It was duly moved and seconded:

THAT the Board of Education seek public input, via the District's website, regarding the recommended changes to Policy 1120.4 Policy Development.

CARRIED Unanimously

4.2.3. 3518 Smoking and Smokeless Tobacco

Trustee Boehm gave notice that at the 25 November 2014 meeting of the Board, she will move that the Board of Education, after consideration of input from the Business Committee and public, adopts revisions to Policy 3518 Smoking and Smokeless Tobacco, as presented.

O2014.10.28-08 It was duly moved and seconded:

THAT the Board of Education seek public input, via the District's website, regarding the recommended changes to Policy 3518 Smoking and Smokeless Tobacco.

CARRIED Unanimously

4.3. Learning Improvement Fund

The Director of Instruction (Human Resources), Rob Taylor, presented the 2014-2015 Learning Improvement Fund report.

O2014.10.28-09 It was duly moved and seconded:

THAT the Board of Education receive and submit to the Minister of Education by 31 October 2014, the District's Learning Improvement Fund report.

CARRIED

4.4. School District Properties

O2014.10.28-10 It was duly moved and seconded:

THAT the Board of Education confirms that the following properties will not be required for future educational purposes by the Board of Education:

1. Buffalo Creek Elementary School Site
2. Deka Lake Teacherage Site
3. Glencoe School Site
4. Glendale Elementary School Site
5. Kwaleen Elementary School Site
6. Poplar Grove School Site
7. Sharpe Lake School Site

CARRIED

4.5. 2014-2015 Enrolment

The Superintendent presented the 2014-2015 student enrolment as of 20 October 2014.

4.6. School District No. 27 Logo

The Superintendent of Schools presented a new proposed logo that is currently being used on the School District website.

The Board discussed the need for an inclusive process in selecting a logo to promote team building amongst staff and school communities and the Board also discussed the need for a rollout plan.

By consensus the Board directed District Staff to bring further information regarding estimated costs to change and implement the School District logo.

4.7. Meeting Dates to Consider

The Board cancelled the following meetings due to timing with of Trustee General Elections:

- IUOE Liaison: Dec 16 and Jan 13
- Business Committee: Nov 18, Dec 16 and Jan 13
- Education Committee: Nov 04, Dec 02 and Jan 6

The Board suggested 18-19 November 2014 as a rescheduled date for the Retirement Dinner that was postponed in June 2014 due to teacher labour disruption.

Due to the recent Ministry announcement at the recent BCPSEA meeting that Exempt Staff Compensation will remain frozen for the current fiscal year, the ad hoc committee struck to address executive compensation is resolved.

5. Discussion Items - none

6. Information Items - none

7. Public Participation (Section 2) - none

8. Adjournment

O2014.10.28-11 It was duly moved and seconded:

THAT the Board of Education adjourn the meeting at 9:25 pm.

CARRIED Unanimously

Kevin Futchner
Secretary Treasurer

Tanya Guenther
Chair