

School District No.59 (Peace River South)

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT NO.59 11600 - 7TH Street, Dawson Creek, BC V1G 4R8

Open Session Minutes

DATE & TIME:

November 20, 2019 - 1:00 PM

PLACE:

School Board Office - Dawson Creek

PRESENT:

Trustees:

C. Anderson (Chair) C. Hillton (Vice-Chair)

B. Borton R. Gulick T. Jones J. Lalonde T. Ziemer

C. Clouthier, Superintendent

C. Fennell, Assistant Superintendent

F. Christenson, Acting Secretary-Treasurer

R. Schwartz, Recording Secretary

Called to Order - 1:00 PM

The Board Chair acknowledged that we share this territory with the people of Treaty 8.

The board made a motion to designate a Secretary-Treasurer for the purpose of the board meeting.

(2019-11-013)

MOVED/SECONDED - Gulick/Ziemer

THAT, the board designate Flora Christenson, the authority of Acting Secretary-

Treasurer for the purpose of this Open Meeting (November 20, 2019);

WHEREAS, the authority gives permission to perform the duties of Secretary-Treasurer including signature of any documents relating to this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Additions: R7.6 Retirement

Deletions:

(2019-11-014)

The Board Chair moved that the Regular Meeting agenda be approved as amended.

1.0 ITEMS FOR ADOPTION

R1.1 Regular Board Meeting Minutes - October 24, 2019

The Chair asked for any corrections to the minutes. Noted to change board chair title and location of board meeting.

(2019-11-015)

The Chair declared the minutes of the open meeting October 24, 2019 approved as amended.

R1.2 Excerpts of Closed Board Meeting – October 24, 2019

The Chair noted to amend the location of the meeting on the excerpts.

(2019-11-016)

The Chair declared the excerpts of the closed board meeting October 24, 2019 approved as amended.

R1.2 Excerpts of Special Closed Board Meeting - November 6, 2019

(2019-11-017)

The Chair declared the excerpts of the special closed board meeting November 6, 2019 approved as presented.

2.0 BUSINESS ARISING

3.0 ESSENTIAL ITEMS

4.0 PRESENTATIONS

R4.1 Early Learning Programs - G. Cleve

Gloria Cleve, Early Learning Manager, presented information to the board about the early learning programs offered in the district.

- StrongStart Programs
- Special Projects
 - o ESL
 - Early Learning in High School Classes
 - o Children's Festivals
 - Baby Welcome Parties
- Kindergarten Registration Information
- Support Welcome to Kindergarten Events
- Early Learning Website
- Administrative Support for the South Peace Building Learning Together Society
- Grant Writing
 - Indoor Playground
 - Family Fun Saturdays

- Movie Night
- Harmony Park
- Positive Discipline Programs/Workshops

5.0 REPORTS FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

R5.1 School/Student News

The Superintendent reported school/student news:

- Schools in the district have raised \$164,578.42 to date for the Terry Fox Foundation
- Many Halloween activities were held in schools across the district
- Schools participated in Remembrance Day events and activities
- Louis Riel Day was honoured with many schools participating in metis cultural activities
- DCSS-SP Campus students visited the art exhibit "Honouring Indigenous Women Exhibition"
- Don Titus Elementary classes studying continents and countries sampling snacks from each country and graphing which snacks students like the best.

R5.2 Student Discipline Report

The student discipline summary report for the month of October 2019 was presented. A total of 68 suspensions were reported. Following is a breakdown of the main offences:

0	Non-Compliance	18
0	Safety of Others	15
0	Controlled Substance	10
0	Fighting	8

6.0 REPORTS FROM THE SECRETARY TREASURER

R6.1 1530 Report

The 1530 report was reviewed with the Board. The report describes the number of employees across the district in specific categories of Instruction, District Administration, Operations and Maintenance and Transportation. This information is reported to the Ministry of Education.

R6.2 Hudson Farm Lease Bylaw

The Acting Secretary-Treasurer presented the bylaw to lease the farmland property known as Hudson Farm for a five-year term to the BC Grain Producers Association.

(2019-11-018)

MOVED/SECONDED - Hillton/Lalonde

THAT, the Board of Education of School District No.59 (Peace River South) Lease of Real Property Bylaw No. 2019-02 be read a first time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(2019-11-019)

MOVED/SECONDED – Jones/Ziemer

THAT, the Board of Education of School District No.59 (Peace River South) Lease of Real Property Bylaw No. 2019-02 be read a second time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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(2019-11-020)

MOVED/SECONDED - Ziemer/Gulick

THAT, the Board allows the third reading of the Board of Education of School District No.59 (Peace River South) Lease of Real Property Bylaw No. 2019-02 to occur in this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(2019-11-021)

MOVED/SECONDED - Borton/Lalonde

THAT, the Board of Education of School District No.59 (Peace River South) Lease of Real Property Bylaw No. 2019-02 be read a third time, passed and adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.0 TRUSTEE ITEMS

R7.1 BCSTA Update - T. Ziemer

Trustee Ziemer reported on the latest news and events from BCSTA.

The BCSTA Trustee Academy will be held in Vancouver from November 28-30, 2019.

R7.2 BCPSEA Motion - R. Gulick

Trustee Gulick presented a motion for consideration to go forward to the BCPSEA AGM from the Board of Education.

(2019-11-022)

MOVED/SECONDED - Gulick/Jones

THAT BCPSEA work with the Minister of Advanced Education, the Deans of Education for BC Universities and the BC Education Teacher Development Programs to develop an online teacher training program in BC.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

R7.3 Pro-D Report - C. Anderson

Trustee Anderson reported back to the board regarding the professional development webinar he took online. The course focused on productive workplace interactions.

R7.4 Pro-D Review - C. Anderson

The Board Chair brought forward the approved request from the October board meeting to review the Professional Development Committee decisions regarding the pro-d requests that were denied.

Trustee Ziemer stated her reasoning for requesting the review. The board reviewed the information and the report from the Professional Development Committee.

Trustee Ziemer removed herself from the table prior to the debate and vote.

(2019-11-023)

MOVED/SECONDED - Gulick/Borton

THAT, the board uphold the decision of the Professional Development Committee and deny the pro-d request from Trustee Ziemer.

CARRIED (Against - J. Lalonde)

R7.5 Strategic Plan - C. Anderson

The district is currently in the last year of the current strategic plan. The board discussed the process they would like to use to develop a new three-year plan and directed the Superintendent to gather information through SWOC's with the identified stakeholders and bring information back to the board to identify themes and set goals.

R7.6 Retirement - C. Anderson

The Board Chair announced he has received retirement notice from Mrs. Clouthier, effective August 1, 2020. The board will start the process of hiring a new Superintendent.

8.0 COMMITTEE REPORTS

R8.1 Policy Committee

The policy committee met on November 6, 2019 to review policies.

R8.1.1 Policies for Circulation

The Policy Committee presented revised policies for circulation. Policy 2150 combines policy 2150 and 2155 and has a revised name. Policy 4210 also has a revised name.

(2019-11-024)

MOVED/SECONDED - Lalonde/Jones

THAT, the board approve to circulate the following revised policies for feedback for a minimum period of 45 days:

- Policy 2150 Roles and Responsibilities of the Board
- Policy 4210 Outdoor Education Program CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.0 DIARY

January 2020 - Student Voice Presentation

10.0 NOTICE OF MOTION

11.0 QUESTION PERIOD

12.0 FUTURE BUSINESS

R12.1 - Regular Board Meeting – November 20, 2019 (Dawson Creek)

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

(2019-11-025)
MOVED – Borton
THAT, the Regular Meeting be terminated. (2:46 PM)
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

(C. Anderson) Board Chair

(M. Panoulias) Secretary Treasurer