

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

<u>DATE & TIME:</u> December 19, 2019 – 1:00 PM

PLACE: School Board Office – Dawson Creek

PRESENT: Trustees:

T. Ziemer

C. Hillton (Vice-Chair)

R. Gulick T. Jones

C. Anderson (Chair)

B. Borton J. Lalonde

C. Clouthier, Superintendent

C. Fennell, Assistant Superintendent M. Panoulias, Secretary-Treasurer R. Schwartz, Recording Secretary

Called to Order - 1:00 PM

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Additions: R7.3 Committee Resignation

Deletions:

(2019-12-004)

MOVED/SECONDED - Lalonde/Ziemer

THAT, the Regular Meeting agenda be approved as amended.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1.0 ITEMS FOR ADOPTION

R1.1 Regular Board Meeting Minutes - November 20, 2019

The Chair asked for any corrections to the minutes.

(2019-12-004)

The Chair declared the minutes of the open meeting November 20, 2019 approved as presented.

R1.2 Excerpts of Closed Board Meeting - November 20, 2019

(2019-12-005)

The Chair declared the excerpts of the closed board meeting November 20, 2019 approved as presented.

2.0 BUSINESS ARISING

3.0 ESSENTIAL ITEMS

4.0 PRESENTATIONS

5.0 REPORTS FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

R5.1 School/Student News

The Superintendent reported school/student news:

- Ecole Frank Ross participates in the grandbuddy program at Rotary Manor; four students are currently placed in the top 5 of their age category in the Hit Tap Draw Curling Alberta Contest, the top 5 individuals as of December 31st are invited to compete at the Provincial Competition in Okotooks, Alberta at the end of January.
- Canalta Elementary students are participating in maker station activities and the school has started a Gotcha Program.
- Windrem Elementary celebrated the holiday season with a turkey dinner made by staff and students.
- DCSS-Central Campus has been organizing many fundraising activities to support families in need during this holiday season.
- DCSS-South Peace Campus staff and students participated in a rival hockey game between staff and students.

R5.2 Student Discipline Report

The student discipline summary report for the month of November 2019 was presented. A total of 44 suspensions were reported. Following is a breakdown of the main offences:

Safety of OthersFightingNon-Compliance7

R5.3 Field Trip Requests

Final approval was requested for the French Immersion trip to Quebec in February 2020.

(2019-12-006)

MOVED/SECONDED – Hillton/Ziemer

THAT, the Board give final approval for the DCSS-Central Campus French Immersion program field trip to Quebec in February 2020 to proceed as planned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Administration from DCSS-SP Campus has submitted an international field trip request for the Me to We group to travel to Thailand and Cambodia in March of 2021.

(2019-12-007)

MOVED/SECONDED - Lalonde/Jones

THAT, the Board give approval of intent for the DCSS-SP Campus Me to We group to proceed with planning an international field trip to Thailand and Cambodia in the spring of 2021.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

R5.4 Chetwynd Communication Society

The Chetwynd Communications Society has provided the School District with a donation of \$43,000 raised through the CHET FM Bingo. The donation will be used towards breakfast and lunch programs at schools in the district.

R5.5 Student Learning Report

The Superintendent presented the Student Learning Report to the board. The report provides district data in the areas of numeracy, literacy, grade transitions, grad rates, completions rates, early development, and the results of the student satisfaction survey. The report is a combination of Ministry gathered data with additional data from the district.

6.0 REPORTS FROM THE SECRETARY TREASURER

R6.1 Finance Reports

The monthly finance reports were reviewed.

R6.2 BCSTA Survey Results

The 2018-19 BCSTA survey results were reviewed. The survey included information on provincial trustee stipends, mileage rates and meal allowances.

The Board requested further breakdown of information from the Secretary Treasurer on trustee stipends for districts of similar size.

R6.3 Pouce Coupe Portable Update

The second portable for Pouce Coupe Elementary School has been delivered and is operational. The Grade 2/3 students are enjoying their first week in the classroom. The classroom space previously held in the public library will be converted back to library space early in the new year.

R6.4 Property Bylaw

The transfer of a small parcel of property adjacent to Tumbler Ridge Elementary school is being completed. The District of Tumbler Ridge subdivided the property to transfer the small parcel that the new playground is on.

(2019-12-008) MOVED/SECONDED – Hillton/Gulick THAT, the Board of Education of School District No.59 (Peace River South) Purchase of Real Property Bylaw No. 2019-03 be read a first time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(2019-12-009)

MOVED/SECONDED - Lalonde/Ziemer

THAT, the Board of Education of School District No.59 (Peace River South) Purchase of Real Property Bylaw No. 2019-03 be read a second time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(2019-12-010)

MOVED/SECONDED – Ziemer/Gulick

THAT, the Board allows the third reading of the Board of Education of School District No.59 (Peace River South) Purchase of Real Property Bylaw No. 2019-03 to occur in this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(2019-12-011)

MOVED/SECONDED - Gulick/Hillton

THAT, the Board of Education of School District No.59 (Peace River South) Purchase of Real Property Bylaw No. 2019-03 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.

Trustee Ziemer has been asked to sit on the Inclusive Education Working Group for BCSTA.

R7.2 BCPSEA Motion – C. Anderson

The Board Chair received a recommendation from BCPSEA to amend the previous motion adopted so it fits within the mandate of BCPSEA. The trustees approved the amendment to the motion.

(2019-12-012)

MOVED/SECONDED - Gulick/Ziemer

THAT the motion be amended to read: BCPSEA Board of Directors write a letter to the Minister of Advanced Education, the Deans of Education for BC Universities and the BC Teachers' Council to encourage to development of an online teacher training program in BC.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

R7.3 Committee Resignation – B. Borton

Trustee Borton announced she will be resigning from the Policy Committee.

Trustee Lalonde was appointed as a member of the Policy Committee.

8.0 COMMITTEE REPORTS

R8.1 Policy Committee

The policy committee met on December 4th, 2019. The Policy Committee brought forward the following recommendations:

R8.1.1 Policies for Circulation

The Policy Committee presented revised policy 4310 Accidents and Insurance for circulation.

(2019-12-013)

MOVED/SECONDED - Jones/Borton

THAT, the board approve to circulate Policy 4310 Accidents and Insurance for feedback for a minimum period of 45 days:

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

R8.1.2 Policies for Adoption

The Policy Committee presented the following policies for adoption:

(2019-12-014)

MOVED/SECONDED - Gulick/Hillton

THAT, the board adopt the following policies as presented:

- Policy 2100 Mission, Vision and Guiding Principles
- Policy 4505 Menstrual Products
- Policy 4550 Immunization

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(2019-12-015)

MOVED/SECONDED - Gulick/Ziemer

THAT, revised Bylaw 1-99 Organization and Operation of the Board be read a third time, passed and adopted as revised.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(2019-12-016)

MOVED/SECONDED - Ziemer/Borton

THAT, the board adopt Policy 2205 Trustee Remuneration, Benefits and Recognition.

<u>DEFEATED</u>

The Policy Committee will review the Trustee Remuneration, Benefits and Recognition policy and requested further feedback specific to section 4 of the policy from the Professional Development Committee.

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 – January 23, 2020

ADJOURNMENT

(2019-12-017)
MOVED – Jones
THAT, the Regular Meeting be terminated. (2:46 PM)

<u>CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</u>

CERTIFIED CORRECT:
(C. Anderson) Board Chair
(M. Panoulias) Secretary Treasurer