

**SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 52 (PRINCE RUPERT)**

**MINUTES**

**REGULAR OPEN SCHOOL BOARD MEETING**

**SCHOOL BOARD OFFICE**

**Tuesday, May 12, 2015 - 7:00 P.M.**

Trustees Present: T. Last, J. Beil, J. Carlick-Pearson, T-L. Huddlestone, B. Kuntz, L. Sanchez

Staff Present: S. Jones, C. McIntyre, K. Gomez, A. Samoil

Regrets: K. Minette

Absent: J. Horne

Chair Tina Last acknowledged that the meeting is taking place on traditional Ts'msyen territory and called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The Chair advised that the Director of Instruction sends his regrets.

**1. Adoption of Agenda**

**Motion 20150512-1.0**

Huddlestone "Be it resolved by the Board of Education of School District No. 52 (Prince Rupert) that  
Beil the agenda be approved as presented." **Carried**

**2. Presentation(s):**

**2.1 Building a Shed, CHSS**

The Superintendent introduced teacher Doug Brown from Charles Hays Secondary School. Mr. Brown described the project underway at CHSS to build a shed, teaching students the basics of construction. The shed has been sold for more than the value of its material. Mr. Brown had students Chase Woelders and Josh Reniero introduce themselves.

Chase advised that he is in the joinery class. The course has been a great learning experience, and has improved the student's understanding of how to build something. The course has also provided experience working with a crew – the classmates. Having completed one shed, the next shed going much faster.

Josh commented that it has been a really good experience to learn teamwork. Students started with very little knowledge of construction. The course encourages students to pursue a trade.

Mr. Brown advised that the Parent Advisory Council has been approached to raffle off a shed. Students will be available for hire to put the sheds together.

In 2015/16 the program will develop into an Introduction to Trades course for grade 11 and 12 students, using \$40,000 from the government to purchase tools and materials. This course will move beyond construction to teach other trades, including electrical and plumbing.

Trustees expressed their appreciation for this exciting program for students.

**3. Approval of the Minutes of the Open Board Meeting held April 14, 2015**

**Motion 20150512-3.0**

Kuntz "Be it resolved by the Board of Education of School District No. 52 (Prince Rupert) that  
Sanchez the minutes of the open Board meeting held April 14, 2015 be approved as presented."

**Carried**

**4. Necessity of Closed Meeting and Agenda**

- 4.1 Approval of Agenda
- 4.2 Approval of Minutes of the In-Camera Meeting held April 14, 2015
- 4.3 Human Resources Report
- 4.4 Secretary-Treasurer's Report
- 4.5 Other
- 4.6 Legal Items
- 4.7 Information Items
- 4.8 Old Business
- 4.9 Items for Release

**Motion 20150512-4.0**

Beil "Be it resolved by the Board of Education of School District No. 52 (Prince Rupert) that  
Huddleston a closed meeting be held and that agenda items 1 through 9 be approved."

**Carried**

**5. Correspondence**

- 5.1 Addressed to the Board  
None.
- 5.2 Copied to the Board
  - 5.2.1 Provincial Budget / Administrative Savings
    - 5.2.1.1 List Attached

**Motion 20150512-5.2.1.1**

Beil "Be it resolved by the Board of Education of School District No. 52 (Prince Rupert) that  
Huddleston the letters regarding the Provincial Budget and Administrative Savings be received and  
filed."

**Carried**

- 5.2.2 Graduated Adult Learning
  - 5.2.2.1 School District No. 57, April 7, 2015
  - 5.2.2.2 School District No. 20, April 8, 2015

**Motion 20150512-5.2.2**

Beil "Be it resolved by the Board of Education of School District No. 52 (Prince Rupert) that  
Huddleston the letters regarding Graduated Adult Learning be received and filed."

**Carried**

- 5.2.3 Exempt/Excluded Freeze
  - 5.2.3.1 List Attached

**Motion 20150512-5.2.3.1**

Beil "Be it resolved by the Board of Education of School District No. 52 (Prince Rupert) that  
Kuntz the letters regarding the Exempt/Excluded Freeze be received and filed."

**Carried**

- 5.2.4 Bill 11
  - 5.2.4.1 List Attached

**Motion 20150512-5.2.4.1**

Kuntz "Be it resolved by the Board of Education of School District No. 52 (Prince Rupert) that  
the letters regarding Bill 11 be received and filed."

**No Second**

**Motion 20150512-5.2.4.1**

Sanchez "Be it resolved by the Board of Education of School District No. 52 (Prince Rupert) that  
Huddleston the Chair write a letter to the Minister, copying the mayor, MLA and partner groups in  
opposition to Bill 11." **Carried**

Trustees expressed concerns with the manner in which Bill 11 was imposed and the impact of the removal of School Planning Councils. Trustees indicated their support for the work of BCSTA, currently underway, to address the implications of Bill 11 with the Minister of Education.

**6. Superintendent of Schools' Report**

6.1 For Board Information:

6.1.1 Field Trips

The Superintendent presented the list of approved field trips to the Board.

6.1.2 Enrolment

The Director, Human Resources advised that enrolment at April 30, 2015 was 2,062 students, up 5 from last month.

6.1.3 Upcoming Learning Opportunities

The Superintendent reported on the learning opportunities offered in the last month.

6.1.4 Aboriginal Education

The Aboriginal Education Department will author a chapter in a book on Aboriginal education. The chapter will highlight our district's success in addressing the challenges of our Aboriginal learners.

6.1.5 Other

The Superintendent reported that the Port Authority sponsored a number of students in a shipping program.

A presentation on safe use of social media is coming to the district.

Parking concerns were raised at Pineridge, and there are also parking issues at other schools. These issues are being addressed. Consideration will be given to parent volunteers to help address these issues.

The CHSS concert band received a gold medal at the Northwest Music Festival.

**7. Secretary-Treasurer's Report**

7.1 Expenditure Statement

The Secretary Treasurer presented the Expenditure Report for April 2015.

7.2 Operations Department Report

The Secretary Treasurer presented the Operations Department Report for April 2015.

7.3 Information Technology Report

The Secretary-Treasurer presented the Information Technology Department Report for April 2015.

8. **Committee Reports**

8.1 Finance & Building Committee **(Trustees Beil, Huddleston, Sanchez)**

The Secretary-Treasurer advised that the committee met last Tuesday and was informed that Victor Prystay of Royal LePage had been appointed as realtor for the Kanata property. Ministerial approval for the sale of the property has been received.

8.2 District Improvement Team Report **(Trustees Kuntz, Sanchez)**

The meeting has been moved to next Wednesday.

8.3 Provincial Council Report **(Trustee Carlick-Pearson)**

Trustee Huddleston, as Alternate, will now be the regular attender for Provincial Council meetings. The BCSTA budget was approved at the meeting on Sunday after the AGM. There was considerable discussion on the operation of the AGM.

BCSTA has sent out a survey to trustees on professional learning. All trustees are asked to participate in order that BCSTA can better support branches.

8.4 Aboriginal Education Report **(Trustees Huddleston, Horne)**

Nothing to report at this time.

8.5 Policy Committee Report **(Trustees Horne, Kuntz)**

8.5.1 April 30, 2015 Meeting Minutes

Trustee Kuntz presented the April 30, 2015 Policy Committee Minutes.

8.5.2 Policies for Review

8.5.2.1 6130 Role of the Board Policy

8.5.2.2 6140 Role of the Trustee and Trustee Code of Conduct Policy

8.5.2.4 6510 Board Communication Policy

**Motion 20150512-8.5.2**

Kuntz "Be it resolved by the Board of Education of School District No. 52 (Prince Rupert) that  
Beil the Role of the Board, Role of the Trustee and Trustee Code of Conduct, and Board  
Communication Policies be sent to the district's partner groups for their comments."

**Carried**

The Secretary-Treasurer advised that the policy committee recommended the policies be sent to the district's partner groups for their comments.

8.5.3 Policies for Approval

8.5.3.1 4310 Occupational Health & Safety Policy

8.5.3.2 6610 Making Policy and Regulations Policy

8.5.3.3 6710 Records Management Program Policy

**Motion 20150512-8.5.3**

Kuntz "Be it resolved by the Board of Education of School District No. 52 (Prince Rupert) that  
Beil the Occupational Health and Safety, Making Policy and Regulations and Records  
Management Program Policies be approved as presented."

**Carried**

The Secretary-Treasurer advised that the policy committee recommended the policies be approved by the Board.

- 8.6 District Technology Committee Report **(Trustee Last)**  
8.6.1 Technology Steering Committee Meeting, April 15, 2015  
Chair Last presented April 15, 2015 Technology Steering Committee minutes.

9. **Old Business**

None.

10. **New Business**

10.1 Bill 11

The BCSTA document reviewing the provisions of the Provincial Bill 11, the Education Statutes Amendment Act was discussed under agenda item 5.2.4.

10.2 Parking Concerns

Parking concerns were discussed under agenda item 6.1.5.

10.3 Lunch Program Concerns

Trustee Carlick-Pearson expressed concern with products such as diet yoghurt in the district lunch program, as it contains aspartame. The Superintendent advised that the menu is regularly reviewed by a registered dietician. The District Principal of Learner Services indicated that the dietician will be asked to review the use of products containing aspartame.

11. **Information Items**

11.1 CHSS Grad, May 29, 2015

Chair Last advised trustees to mark their calendar for this graduation event.

11.2 Service Awards, June 8, 2015

Chair Last advised the service awards would take place on June 8, 2015 at the Crest Hotel.

11.3 Hartley Bay Grad, June 19, 2015

Chair Last advised the Hartley Bay graduation community celebration will take place on June 19, 2015.

11.4 PCS Grad, June 23, 2015 (changed from June 17<sup>th</sup>), Lester Centre, 6:30 – 9:00 p.m.

Chair Last noted the change of date and location. The Pacific Coast School graduation will now be held at the Lester Centre.

11.4 **Trustee Updates**

Trustee Kuntz – Roosevelt – Canadian Parents for French have had a number of meetings. They made \$500 from bingo, and are providing scholarship money to each graduating French immersion student.

Trustee Huddleston – PRMS –the jazz band and concert band did very well at the Northwest Music Festival with the Concert Band receiving a gold medal. Students attended a math competition at NWCC, where the grade 8 students did well competing against the grade 9 students. Students will participate in a social media presentation and develop a school action plan.

Trustee Last – Lax Kxeen – DARE graduation was yesterday. Yoga is underway. Flowers are being planted by the walkway.

Trustee Carlick-Pearson – Pineridge –The Heritage Fair was amazing, the teachers deserve a lot of credit for their work. PALS completed their 4<sup>th</sup> and final session for the year.

Trustee Beil – Port Edward – There is a new coordinator for after school activities.

12. **10 Minute Question and Answer Period**

Q. What is the asking price for the Kanata property?

A. It is listed at \$975,000.

Q. When was the school closed?

A. 2008.

Q. Will the sale proceeds be used for capital projects?

A. Yes.

13. **Adjournment**

**Motion 20150512-13.1**

Beil "Be it resolved by the Board of Education of School District No. 52 (Prince Rupert) that Carlick-Pearson the meeting be adjourned at 8:15 pm."

**Carried**

  
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Tina Last, Chair  
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Cameron McIntyre, Secretary-Treasurer