

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 52 (PRINCE RUPERT)

MINUTES

REGULAR OPEN SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

SCHOOL BOARD OFFICE

Tuesday March 12, 2019- 7:00 P.M.

Trustees Present: J. Horne, K. Toye, T. Last, J. Beil, B. Kuntz, K. Maier, L. Sanchez

Staff Present: I. LaPierre, C. McIntyre, A. Samoilo, I. Larocque

Chair Horne acknowledge that the meeting is being held on tradition Ts'msyen territory and called the meeting to order.

1. Adoption of Agenda

Motion 20190312-1.0a

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

Carried

2. Presentation(s):

2.1 Science Fair, Peter Scott

The Superintendent introduced the Vice-Principal of Prince Rupert Middle School, Peter Scott. Mr. Scott introduced students Cameron Sawka, Kaylie Slocombe, Owen Davis and Hudson Veldman and presented a slide show of pictures taken at the district science fair. Attendance at the science fair included students from every school in Prince Rupert and from Port Edward.

Students described why they went to the science fair, and whether they would go to the regional science fair. The students explained their science projects:
Owen Davis and Hudson Veldman: How much sugar in different drinks (LOTS).
Kaylie Slocombe: Testing what would help tulips stay fresh (a PENNY).
Cameron Sawka: Looking at ways to achieve carbon capture (REFORESTATION).
Cameron built a robot and used block code to program a pattern to plant peas.

3. Approval of the Minutes of the

3.1 Open Board Meeting held February 11, 2019

Motion 20190312-3.1a

Maier "Be it resolved by the Board of Education of School District No. 52
Beil (Prince Rupert) that the minutes of the open Board meeting held
February 11, 2019 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 Meetings held February 11, 2019
- 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 201903112-4.1a

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

Carried

5. **Correspondence**

5.1 Addressed to the Board

5.1.1 None.

5.2 Copied to the Board

5.2.1 Graduation Program

5.2.1.1 BCSTA, February 14, 2019

Motion 20190312-5.2.1a

Beil Last "Be it resolved by the Board of Education of School District No. 52 (Prince Rupert) that the correspondence from the BCSTA be received and filed."

Carried

5.2.2 Funding

5.2.2.1 School District No. 28, February 15, 2019

5.2.2.2 BCSTA, February 20, 2019

Motion 20190312-5.2.2a

Last Kuntz "Be it resolved by the Board of Education of School District No. 52 (Prince Rupert) that the correspondence from School District No. 28 and the BCSTA be received and filed."

Carried

5.2.3 Settlement Services and Funding

5.2.3.1 BCSTA, February 14, 2019

5.2.3.2 School District No. 37, February 22, 2019

Motion 20190312-5.2.3a

Sanchez Last "Be it resolved by the Board of Education of School District No. 52 (Prince Rupert) that the Chair write a letter to BCSTA thanking them for the pursuing funding to support refugees."

Carried

6. **Superintendent of Schools' Report**

6.1 For Board Information:

6.1.1 Field Trips

The Superintendent presented the list of approved field trips and congratulated the Charles Hays Secondary School Senior Boys Basketball team on their AA Provincial Championship. The Superintendent answered questions from trustees.

6.1.2 Enrolment

The Director of Instruction reported that the district's enrolment at the end of February was 1,952 students, a decrease of 3 from the previous month.

6.1.3 Cross Boundary

The Director of Instruction reported there were 24 applications by the deadline. This deadline helps with district planning. Further requests are expected after the deadline.

6.1.4 Upcoming Projects/Learning

6.1.4.1 Board Authorized Courses

The Superintendent asked Charles Hays Secondary School vice-principals Carla Rourke and Aja McNish, and teacher Mikael Russel, to present two proposed Board Authorized Courses.

6.1.4.1.1 Student Leadership 10, 11 and 12

Motion 20190312-6.1.4.1.1a

Beil "Be it resolved by the Board of Education of School District No. 52
Last (Prince Rupert) that the proposed Board Authorized Courses, Student Leadership 10, 11 and 12, be approved."

Carried

Vice-Principals Carla Rourke and Aja McNish described the Student Leadership 10, 11 and 12 courses, which will allow students doing work on Student Council and Student Voice to receive course credits, and answered questions from trustees.

6.1.4.1.2 Psychology 12

Motion 20190312-6.1.4.1.2a

Last "Be it resolved by the Board of Education of School District No. 52
Beil (Prince Rupert) that the proposed Board Authorized Course, Psychology 12, be approved."

Carried

Teacher Mikael Russell described the Psychology 12 course and answered questions from trustees.

6.1.5 Calendar

Motion 20190312-6.1.5a

Last "Be it resolved by the Board of Education of School District No. 52
Kuntz (Prince Rupert) that, subject to the completion of a Letter of Understanding through a calendar meeting with the Prince Rupert District Teachers' Union, the School Calendar for 2019-20 with a two week Spring Break be approved, and that otherwise the School Calendar for 2019-20 with a one week Spring Break be approved."

Carried

The Superintendent presented the calendar for 2019-20 with a one-week Spring Break. The Superintendent advised that the district does not have an agreement with the Prince Rupert District Teachers' Union that will allow for a 2 week Spring Break in the 2019-2020 school year.

Trustees acknowledged the impact of a two week Spring Break on employees who are part of the International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 882-B.

Trustees also recognized the broad support for a two week Spring Break from staff and parents, and the budget implications if the district goes back to a one week Spring Break.

At the request of a trustee, the Secretary-Treasurer described a motion that would allow until March 28, 2019 for a letter of understanding to be completed.

6.1.6 Corporate Donations

Motion 20190312-6.1.6a

Last Beil	"Be it resolved by the Board of Education of School District No. 52 (Prince Rupert) that the donations from Ridley Terminals Inc. be approved and that the Chair write a letter of thanks to Ridley Terminals Inc."	<u>Carried</u> <u>Unanimously</u>
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The Superintendent advised that, as reported in the newspaper, the district has received 2 generous donations from Ridley Terminals Inc. The first donation, for \$288,500, will support a Truth and Reconciliation implementation plan. The second donation, for \$90,000, will allow the district to purchase equipment needed for a Heavy Duty Mechanic Foundation course. This course will be provided by Coast Mountain College as an offering supported by the Coastal Pathways Partnership.

6.1.7 Other

The Superintendent reported on the next phase of the District Literacy Plan.

The next Equity Scan meeting is tomorrow evening.

Over \$37,000 has been received from the government to address Mental Health Literacy. Use of these funds is based on a review of district data. The data shows that many Indigenous students do not feel welcome at school. This proposal will be submitted by Friday.

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

7.1 Expenditure Statement

The Secretary-Treasurer presented the Expenditure Statement for February 2019 and answered questions from trustees

8. **Committee Reports**

8.1 Finance & Building Committee

(Trustees Beil, Horne, Toye)

8.1.1 2019-20 Capital Bylaw

Motion 20190312-8.1.1a

Last Beil	"Be it resolved by the Board of Education of School District No. 52 (Prince Rupert) that all three readings of the School District No. 52 (Prince Rupert) Capital Bylaw No. 2019-20-01 for Capital Plan 2019-20 be read at the same meeting."	<u>Carried</u> <u>Unanimously</u>
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A BYLAW by the Board of Education of School District No. 52 (Prince Rupert) (hereinafter called the "Board") to adopt a Capital Plan of the Board pursuant to sections 143 (2) and 144 (1) of the *School Act*.

WHEREAS in accordance with provisions of the *School Act*, the Minister of Education (hereinafter called the "Minister") has approved the Capital Plan of the Board.

NOW THEREFORE the Board agrees to do the following:

- (a) Authorize the Secretary-Treasurer to execute Project Agreement(s) related to the expenditures contemplated by the Capital Plan;
- (b) Upon ministerial approval to proceed, commence the Project(s) and proceed diligently and use its best efforts to complete each Project substantially as directed by the Minister;
- (c) Observe and comply with any order, regulation, or policy of the Minister as may be applicable to the Board or the Project(s); and,
- (d) Maintain proper books of account, and other information and documents with respect to the affairs of the Project(s), as may be prescribed by the Minister.

NOW THEREFORE the Board enacts as follows:

1. The Capital Bylaw of the Board for the 2019-20 Capital Plan as approved by the Minister, to include the supported project(s) specified in the letter addressed to the Secretary-Treasurer and Superintendent dated March 01, 2019, is hereby adopted.
2. This Bylaw may be cited as School District No.52 (Prince Rupert) Capital Bylaw No.2019-20-01.

Motion 20190312-8.1.1b

Toye "Be it resolved by the Board of Education of School District No. 52
Beil (Prince Rupert) that the School District No. 52 (Prince Rupert)
Capital Bylaw No. 2019-20-01 for Capital Plan 2019-20 be read a
first time the 12th day of March, 2019."

Carried

Motion 20190312-8.1.1c

Toye "Be it resolved by the Board of Education of School District No. 52
Kuntz (Prince Rupert) that the School District No. 52 (Prince Rupert)
Capital Bylaw No. 2019-20-01 for Capital Plan 2019-20 be read a
second time the 12th day of March, 2019."

Carried

Motion 20190312-8.1.1d

Toye "Be it resolved by the Board of Education of School District No. 52
Beil (Prince Rupert) that the School District No. 52 (Prince Rupert)
Capital Bylaw No. 2019-20-01 be read a third time, finally passed
and adopted the 12th day of March, 2019."

Carried

The Secretary-Treasurer described the projects approved by the Ministry of Education for inclusion in the 2019-20 Capital plan and answered questions from trustees.

8.2 Framework for Enhancing Student Learning
None.

(Trustees Maier, Sanchez)

- 8.3 Provincial Council **(Trustees Maier, Sanchez)**
 - 8.3.1 BCSTA Synopsis
 - Trustee Sanchez presented the synopsis of the Provincial Council meeting on February 9, 2019.

- 8.4 Aboriginal Education Council **(Trustees Beil, Sanchez)**
 - None.

- 8.5 Policy Committee **(Trustees Horne, Kuntz)**
 - 8.5.1 March 4, 2019 Meeting Minutes
 - Trustee Kuntz presented the minutes of the March 4th meeting.
 - 8.5.2 Policies for Review
 - 8.5.2.1 5110 Corporate Sponsorship & Access to Students Policy
 - 8.5.2.2 5120 Naming Policy

Motion 20190312-8.5.2.1a
 Kuntz "Be it resolved by the Board of Education of School District No. 52
 Last (Prince Rupert) that the Corporate Sponsorship & Access to
 Students and Naming policies be sent to partner groups for their
 input." **Carried**

- 8.5.3 Policy for Approval
 - 8.5.3.1 1210 Student Registration and Catchment Area Policy

Motion 20190312-8.5.3.1a
 Kuntz "Be it resolved by the Board of Education of School District No. 52
 Toye (Prince Rupert) that the Student Registration and Catchment Area
 Policy be approved." **Carried**

- 8.5.4 Policy to Delete
 - 8.5.4.1 6420 School Plans Policy

Motion 20190312-8.5.4.1a
 Kuntz "Be it resolved by the Board of Education of School District No. 52
 Maier (Prince Rupert) that the School Plans Policy be deleted." **Carried**

- 8.6 District Technology Steering Committee **(Trustee Kuntz)**
 - None.

9. **Old Business**
 None.

10. **New Business**
 None.

11. **Information Items**

- 11.1 Spring Break, March 18-29, 2019
 - Chair Horne noted the dates for Spring Break in March.
- 11.2 Regional Pro-D, April 18, 2019
 - Chair Horne noted the date for the upcoming Regional Pro-D.

- 11.3 Easter Friday, April 19, 2019
Chair Horne noted the date of Easter Friday holiday.
- 11.4 Easter Monday, April 22, 2019
Chair Horne noted the date for Easter Monday holiday.
- 11.5 BCSTA AGM, April 25-28, 2019
Chair Horne reminded the Trustees of the upcoming BCSTA AGM.
- 11.6 Pro D, May 17, 2019
Chair Horne noted the date for the Pro-D in May.
- 11.7 Victoria Day, May 20, 2019
Chair Horne noted the date for Victoria Day holiday.

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

- Q. If the district goes back to a one-week Spring Break, what is the communications plan to let the community know?
- A. The district does not know which Spring Break will be approved, but will communicate the options and consider what other communication is required once the calendar is finalized.

- Q. Is the Board aware of the willingness to negotiate a 2 week Spring Break for 3 years?
- A. The calendar is a provincial matter that cannot be bargained locally.

- Q. Did you know there are other ways to reduce the impact of a 2 week Spring Break by attaching it to Easter? Did you know that surveys can be skewed?
- A. Thank you.

- Q. Did you know both PRDTU and the Board met for the previous letters of understanding?
- A. Thank you.

- Q. How will some of the budget proposals impact the Section 54 notification?
- A. This is not on agenda.

- Q. How are new courses created?
- A. Course ideas come from a school, go to the Principal, then go to the Superintendent, then go to the Board. Approval is required at each step of the process.


13. **Adjournment**

Motion 20190312-13.1a

Beil "Be it resolved by the Board of Education of School District No. 52
Maier (Prince Rupert) that the meeting be adjourned at 8:10 p.m."

Carried


James Horne, Chair


Cam McIntyre, Secretary Treasurer

