

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 52 (PRINCE RUPERT)

MINUTES

REGULAR OPEN SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

SCHOOL BOARD OFFICE

Tuesday, December 10, 2019 - 7:00 P.M.

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

Staff Present: I. LaPierre, C. McIntyre, A. Samoil

Regrets: I. Larocque

Chair Horne acknowledge that the meeting is being held on tradition Ts'msyen territory and called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

1. Adoption of Agenda

Motion 20191210-1.0a

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

Carried

Chair Horne asked that item 2.2 be removed from the agenda as the presenters were not able to attend.

2. Presentation(s):

2.1 James Wintle – Wheelchair Basketball

The Superintendent introduced the district's occupational therapist, James Wintle. Mr. Wintle described the Northern Adapted Sports Association (NASA) wheelchair basketball program that came to the school district last week. All grade 4, 5 and 8 students, and some grade 3 students, participated. The program is a good example of Universal Design for Learning as it levelled the playing field for all participants. Use of a wheelchair proved to be a great way for students to work with their upper body muscles. Staff involvement was appreciated by the students. Trustees shared the reaction they heard from students, who were engaged and very enthusiastic about their participation.

3. Approval of the Minutes of the

3.1 Open Board Meeting held November 12, 2019

Motion 20191210-3.1a

Last "Be it resolved by the Board of Education of School District No. 52
Maier (Prince Rupert) that the minutes of the open Board meetings held
November 12, 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 November 12, 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 20191210-4a

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."	<u>Carried</u>
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5. Correspondence

- 5.1 Addressed to the Board
 - 5.1.1 DPAC Letter

Motion 20191210-5.1.1a

Maier Toye	"Be it resolved by the Board of Education of School District No. 52 (Prince Rupert) that the correspondence from DPAC be received and filed."	<u>Carried</u>
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Trustees asked that consideration of a field trip bus be included in the 2020-2021 budget considerations. Staff are developing a business case to bring to the Board. Principals have written to the Superintendent expressing their support for the availability of a bus.

- 5.2 Copied to the Board
Northern Development Initiative Trust, November 4, 2019

Motion 20191210-5.2.1a

Toye Last	"Be it resolved by the Board of Education of School District No. 52 (Prince Rupert) that the Chair write to the Minister of Education seeking ongoing funding for the Shoulder Tappers program."	<u>Carried</u>
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Trustee Kuntz declared that he was in conflict of interest for this item.

The Secretary-Treasurer advised that the shoulder-tapper position funded through the Northern Initiative Trust is at risk if another source of funding is not provided. Trustees discussed the value this position brings to the district.

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 answered questions from trustees.
 - 6.1.2 Enrolment
The Director of Instruction reported that enrolment was 1,946 at November 30, 2019, a net decrease of 1 from the previous month.
 - 6.1.3 SFU PLP Program
The Superintendent advised, with disappointment, that the SFU teacher training program has been deferred from January 2020 to September 2020.

An Education Assistant Program has been confirmed at Coast Mountain College to start this September. Scheduling of the program will be worked out and an information session held in January.

6.1.4 Upcoming Projects/Learning/Other
The Superintendent presented the December Superintendent's report to the Board of Education.

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

7.1 Expenditure Statement
The Secretary-Treasurer presented the Expenditure Statement for November 2019 and answered questions from Trustees.

7.2 Information Technology Report
The Secretary-Treasurer presented the Information Technology Department Report for November 2019 and answered questions from trustees.

7.3 Operations Department Report
The Secretary-Treasurer presented the Operations Department Report for November 2019 and answered questions from trustees.

8. **Committee Reports**

8.1 Finance & Building Committee **(Trustees Toye, Beil, Kuntz)**

8.1.1 Annual Budget Consultation
The Secretary-Treasurer highlighted changes proposed for the 2020-2021 Annual Budget Consultation. Trustees expressed their appreciation for the feedback received from partner groups.

8.1.2 Conrad Seismic Status
The Secretary-Treasurer reported that a recent seismic assessment of Conrad Street Elementary School, using the new seismic guidelines, has resulted in all four blocks of the school rated at high seismic risk. A request has been made to the Ministry of Education to have the school added to the Seismic Mitigation Program list.

8.2 Framework for Enhancing Student Learning **(Trustees Horne, Sanchez)**
None.

8.3 Provincial Council **(Trustees Maier, Sanchez)**
Trustee Maier reported that the motion deadline is January 17, 2020. March 17, 2020 is the deadline for nomination for BCSTA officers.

8.4 Aboriginal Education Council **(Trustees Toye, Last)**

8.4.1 Motion – Mental Health and Well-Being

Motion 20191210-8.4.1a

Beil "Be it resolved by the Board of Education of School District No. 52
Last (Prince Rupert) that the Aboriginal Education Council motion 'To inquire further into the mental health and well-being of our indigenous students with all partners and stakeholders including the district and surrounding First Nations communities' be endorsed and shared with stakeholders."

Carried

Trustee Beil presented a motion that the Aboriginal Education Council has asked the Board to support with respect to the mental health and well-being of indigenous students.

- 8.5 Policy Committee **(Trustees Horne, Sanchez)**
December 2, 2019 meeting.
Trustee Horne presented the minutes of the December 2, 2019 meeting of the Policy Committee.

- 8.5.1 Policies for Review
8.5.1.1 1220 – International Students Policy
8.5.1.2 3350 – Acceptable Use of Technology Policy

Motion 20191210-8.5.1a

Sanchez Toye "Be it resolved by the Board of Education of School District No. 52 (Prince Rupert) that the district send the International Students and the Acceptable use of Technology policies to the district's partner groups for their comments." **Carried**

- 8.5.2 Policies for Approval
8.5.2.1 2110 – Staff Recruitment and Retention Policy
8.5.2.2 5220 – Use of school Grounds and Equipment Policy

Motion 20191210-8.5.2a

Sanchez Kuntz "Be it resolved by the Board of Education of School District No. 52 (Prince Rupert) that the Staff Recruitment and Retention and Use of School Grounds and Equipment policies be approved as presented." **Carried**

- 8.6 District Technology Steering Committee **(Trustee Kuntz)**
8.6.1 November 27, 2019 Meeting Minutes
Trustee Kuntz presented the minutes of the November 27, 2019 District Technology Steering Committee meeting. The Director of Instruction highlighted the "Hour of Code" activities underway.

- 8.7 DPAC **(Trustee Maier, Sanchez)**
8.7.1 Inclusion meeting
Trustee Maier discussed the Inclusion Forum presented by DPAC.
Trustees supported the value of having an information source for parents.

9. **Old Business**

- 9.1 BCSTA Academy, Nov 28-30, 2019
Chair Horne and other trustees reported on their attendance at the BCSTA Academy.
- 9.2 FNEESC 25th Annual Indigenous Education Conference, Nov 28-30, 2019
Chair Horne reported that district staff attended the FNEESC Conference.

10. **New Business**

None.

11. **Information Items**

- 11.1 Winter Break December 23, 2019 – January 3, 2020
Chair Horne noted the dates for the Winter Break.

- 11.2 January board meeting January 14, 2020
Chair Horne noted the date for the January board meeting.
- 11.3 FNEESC Regional Meeting January 23, 2020
Chair Horne noted the date of the FNEESC Regional Meeting.
- 11.4 BCPSEA AGM – January 30-31, 2020
Chair Horne noted the dates of the BCPSEA AGM and advised that Trustee Kuntz would be in attendance.

A regional BCSTA training session will be held in Prince Rupert on March 2, 2020.

Chair Horne expressed the Board's thanks for the Christmas cards received from schools.

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

- Q. Did you know the district Band Concert is on December 15 and the CHSS winter concert is in Multi-Purpose Room on December 18?
- A. Thank you.
- Q. Did you know DPAC members worked very hard to encourage parent participation in the Inclusion Forum?
- A. Thank you.
- Q. Could the field trip bus be available for Spring, when good weather provides more opportunity for students to be outdoors? Kids and schools loved the bus.
- A. The Board will wait to receive more information from staff.
- Q. What is the cost of the EA training program? Is it to be paid by the student?
- A. The cost is expected to be \$4,000, plus student fees and books. Students are expected to pay the cost.
- Q. Did you know the field trip bus saved the extra-curricular teams a lot of money?
- A. Thank you.
- Q. Did you know the Lach Klan school in Kitkatla has a number of interested students for the SFU PLP program?
- A. We are arranging a meeting with Kitkatla.
- Q. Is there any possibility of recording the meetings?
- A. The Board did a trial last month and is reviewing the results.
- Q. Is there any progress on a student trustee?
- A. The district has met with student groups.
- Q. Is the district analysing the results of the district student survey and using that information to inform decisions?
- A. The district is gathering new data and will compare it to previous data. This year's collection process will allow for electronic data collection from older students.

- Q. Are there any district-wide environmental activities, and in particular any that are student led?
- A. Environmental projects need to come through the budget process. Please be reminded that questions need to pertain to the agenda.
- Q. The Rainmaker debate team trip to zones is not on the list of field trips. What is the process to have the trip approved?
- A. The form needs to be submitted to the Board office.

13. **Adjournment**

Motion 20191210-13.1a

Toye	"Be it resolved by the Board of Education of School District No. 52	
Last	(Prince Rupert) that the meeting be adjourned at 8:14 p.m."	Carried



James Horne, Chair



Cam McIntyre, Secretary-Treasurer