

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 52 (PRINCE RUPERT)

MINUTES

**REGULAR OPEN SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
MEETING HELD IN THE BOOTH MEETING ROOM
Monday, November 20, 2023 – 7:00 P.M.**

Trustees Present: J. Beil, D. Dalton, J. Horne, K. Maier, M. Pucci, K. Toye, L. Sanchez

Staff Present: S. Pond, G. Slykhuis, D. Gautam, B. Verissimo, M. Cross, A. Samoil, J. Warburton

Regrets:

Board Chair Toye acknowledged that the meeting is being held on traditional Ts'msyen territory. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Congratulated Roberta Edzerza for the Premier's Excellence in Education Award recipient.

Congratulated Kristy Tillman and the PRMS band for their Civic Merit Award for Excellence in Music.

Acknowledged the return of Superintendent Samoil.

1. **Adoption of Agenda**

Motion 20231120-1.0a

Dalton "Be it resolved by the Board of Education of School District No. 52
Horne (Prince Rupert) that the Agenda is approved as presented."

Carried

2. **Presentation(s):**

Acting Superintendent introduced Kertes to present "PRMS to CHSS Journalism Bridging Project." Students from the high school were coaching students from the middle school. It's been a wonderful opportunity to support each other through all different levels within the district.

Trustees thanked him and expressed that they loved seeing the connection between students at both schools. They applauded the leadership taken to make this happen.

3. **Approval of the Minutes of the**

3.1 Open Board Meeting held October 16, 2023

Motion 20231120-4.1

Horne "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
October 16, 2023 be approved as amended."

Carried

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

- 4.1 Approval of Agenda
- 4.2 Approval of Minutes of the In-Camera Meeting held October 16, 2023.
- 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 20231120-4.0a

Beil "Be it resolved by the Board of Education of School District No. 52
 Maier (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
 None

5.2 Copied to the Board

5.2.1 October 5, 2023 letter from BCSTA to Premier Eby re: Urgent meeting
 request regarding recent protests in school districts

Motion 20231120-5.2.1

Horne "Be it resolved by the Board of Education of School District No. 52
 Beil (Prince Rupert) that the letter 5.2.1 be received and filed." **Carried**

5.2.2 October 12, 2023 letter from Minister Singh to BCSTA re: Ongoing
 Funding and Support for Technology

Motion 20231120-5.2.2

Horne "Be it resolved by the Board of Education of School District No. 52
 Beil (Prince Rupert) that the letter 5.2.2 be received and filed." **Carried**

5.2.3 October 17, 2023 letter from BCSTA to Doug McPhee re: Invitation

Motion 20231120-5.2.3

Horne "Be it resolved by the Board of Education of School District No. 52
 Beil (Prince Rupert) that the letter 5.2.3 be received and filed." **Carried**

5.2.4 November 1, 2023 letter from BCSTA to Premier Eby re: Recent meeting
 to discuss disruptions and protests in school districts.

Motion 20231120-5.2.4

Horne "Be it resolved by the Board of Education of School District No. 52
 Beil (Prince Rupert) that the letter 5.2.4 be received and filed." **Carried**

6. Superintendent of Schools Report

6.1 For Board Information:

6.1.1 Field Trips

The Acting Superintendent presented the list of approved field trips and
 answered questions from Trustees.

PRMS Band trip is now to Edmonton. Same dates.

- 6.1.2 Enrolment
The Director of Instruction reported that enrolment is at 1828 October 31, 2023. Trustees appreciated the graph presented.
- 6.1.3 Upcoming Projects/Learning/Other
The Acting Superintendent shared that one of the components of the FESL cycle are the provincial assessments. These act as a snapshot for what we need to work on with students. Students in grades 4 and 7 have finished the FSA's and last month grade 12 students wrote the Literacy 12 assessment. Students will write Numeracy 10 and Literacy 10 Assessments in January.
All schools held Remembrance Day Celebrations on November 9, 2023.

7. Acting Secretary Treasurer's Report

- 7.1 October 2023 Expenditures Report
The Acting Secretary-Treasurer presented the October 2023 Expenditures Report and answered questions from Trustees.
- 7.2 October 2023 Operations Department Report
The Director of Operations presented the Operations Department Report for October 2023 and answered questions from Trustees.
- 7.3 October 2023 Information Technology Department Report
The Manager of IT presented the Information Technology Department Report for October 2023 and answered questions from Trustees.

Motion 20231120-7.3

Beil Horne	"Be it resolved by the Board of Education of School District No. 52 (Prince Rupert) that the Board send a thank you letter to SD 82 for the equipment donated."	<u>Carried</u>
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8. Committee Reports

- 8.1 Finance & Building Committee **(Trustees Beil, Maier, Pucci)**
- 8.2 Framework for Enhancing Student Learning **(Trustees Horne, Sanchez)**
Trustee Horne reported the committee hasn't met yet
- 8.3 Provincial Council **(Trustees Maier, Pucci)**
Trustee Maier reported on the Oct 20 Provincial Council meeting. February meeting will be held remotely. They are using the surplus to pay for the increase in fees every year. If the surplus should ever not be there, then there will be an increase for BCSTA. Discussion of pay equity and funds needed for that among the districts. Incentives given to find adequate staffing to support our students. Executive assistant will send notification for change in committee members.
- 8.4 Indigenous Education Council **(Trustees Toye, Sanchez)**
Met October 23. There was a presentation from the Feeding Futures Coordinator and Paramjit Khaira.

School district update from Sandra Pond. UNDRIP changes from the ministry. Board chair feels our district is in line with what has come down from the province.

Regional sessions with FNEESC were held in Prince Rupert on October 10th

8.5 Policy Committee **(Trustees Horne, Toye)**

8.5.1 November 6, 2023 meeting
Trustee Horne presented the minutes of the November 6, 2023 meeting of the Policy Committee.

8.5.2 Policies for Approval
8.5.2.1 3360 – Multimedia Devices Policy
8.5.2.2 1140 – Student Reporting Policy

Motion 20231120-8.5.2

Horne	"Be it resolved by the Board of Education of School District No. 52 (Prince Rupert) that 3360 – Multimedia Devices Policy, 1140 – Student Reporting Policy be approved as amended."	Carried
Beil		

8.5.3 Policies for Review
8.5.3.1 1220 – International Students Policy
8.5.3.2 1110 – Learning Resources Policy

Motion 20231120-8.5.3.1a

Horne	"Be it resolved by the Board of Education of School District No. 52 (Prince Rupert) to send 1220 – International student policy and 1110 – Learning Resources Policy to the district's partner groups to review."	Carried
Beil		

Trustee Horne noted that at the Policy Committee Meeting, they were given the copy of the schedule to review in advance and bring forward to the meeting.

8.6 District Technology Steering Committee
Has not met

9. **Old Business**

None

10. **New Business**

None

11. **Information Items:**

11.1 Professional Development Day, November 24, 2023
Chair Toye noted that the Professional Development Day is on November 24, 2023.

11.2 BCSTA Trustee Academy, November 23-25, 2023
Chair Toye noted that the Trustee Academy is on November 23-25, 2023.

11.3 Board of Education Meeting, December 18, 2023
Chair Toye noted that the Board of Education meeting is on December 18, 2023.

11.4 Christmas Break, December 25 to January 5, 2024

Chair Toye noted that Christmas Break is on December 25 to January 5, 2024.

Trustee Maier noted that November 30, December 1 & 2 – The High School Musical will be on at the Lester Centre

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

None

13. **Adjournment**

Chair Toye adjourned the meeting at 7:40 p.m.



Board Chair, Kate Toye



Superintendent, Andrew Samoil

