

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 52 (PRINCE RUPERT)

MINUTES

**REGULAR OPEN SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
MEETING HELD IN THE BOOTH MEETING ROOM
Monday, October 16, 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, T. Dickens, B. Verissimo, J. Warburton, P. Khaira, R. Edzerza

Regrets: A. Samoil, M. Cross

Board Chair Toye acknowledged that the meeting is being held on traditional Ts'msyen territory. The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. Chair Toye acknowledged the service Barb Gruber gave to the Board and that her passing is a huge loss to the community and honored her with a moment of silence.

1. Adoption of Agenda

Motion 20231016-1.0a

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

Carried

2. Presentation(s):

Morgan Sundin and Melody Marlow presented on mental health and wellness. They had an opportunity to be part of Implementation Day in September. Feedback was that it was a very relevant and encouraging morning. Mental health is a topic our District is focused on. Review of all presenters at Implementation Day and how this allowed an opportunity to connect with the main message that "We hold each other up". Focused on setting up a mental health leadership committee. Ideally it would be at least one person from every school and all stakeholders. What can each school do to assess their own climate? Discussed the rubric from the Casel website. The rubric breaks down what is needed for action plans.

Trustees thanked them and expressed that this is a valuable document as support is needed. Trustees expressed that feedback from teachers was so positive and they found these sessions to be very valuable.

3. Approval of the Minutes of the

3.1 Open Board Meeting held September 25, 2023

Motion 20231016-4.1

Beil "Be it resolved by the Board of Education of School District No. 52
Horne (Prince Rupert) that the minutes of the open Board meeting held
September 25, 2023 be approved as presented."

Carried

4. Necessity of Closed Meetings and Agenda

- 4.1 Approval of Agenda
- 4.2 Approval of Minutes of the In-Camera Meeting held September 25, 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 20231016-4.0a

Horne Dalton	"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
 - None
- 5.2 Copied to the Board
 - 5.2.1 September 12, 2023 letter from BCSTA to Minister Dean and Singh re: Family Connection Centres

Motion 20231016-5.2.1

Maier Pucci	"Be it resolved by the Board of Education of School District No. 52 (Prince Rupert) that the letter 5.2.1 be received and filed."	<u>Carried</u>
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- 5.2.2 October 4, 2023 letter of congratulations from BCSTA to Tracy Humphreys

Motion 20231016-5.2.2

Beil Horne	"Be it resolved by the Board of Education of School District No. 52 (Prince Rupert) that the letter 5.2.2 be received and filed."	<u>Carried</u>
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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.
 - 6.1.2 Enrolment

The Director of Instruction reported that enrolment is 1818 at September 29, 2023.
 - 6.1.3 Upcoming Projects/Learning/Other

Media release today announced our successful application to the child care new spaces fund. 111 additional spaces for Prince Rupert. This money came from the provincial and federal government.

Before and after school spaces update - we currently have room at Conrad and Pineridge. Roosevelt and Lax Kxeen are full at this time.

Review of Annual Enhancing Student Learning report. Suggested to have a board working session around this document. Some of the data in the report is from 21/22. Data comes in at different times. We will be receiving the 2022-23 data from the Ministry around December 10, 2023.

Motion 20231016-6.1.3a

Pucci	"Be it resolved by the Board of Education of School District No. 52 (Prince Rupert) that the board authorize a working session."	<u>Carried</u>
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Discussion arose and it was determined that this needs to be approved.

Motion was rescinded.

The Acting Superintendent presented that other regions in the north have been having a hard time recruiting qualified teachers. Northern chapter superintendents have been advocating for a northern cohort bachelor of education program.

Motion 20231016-6.1.3b	
Horne	"Be it resolved by the Board of Education of School District No. 52 (Prince Rupert) that the board write a letter of support for the Northern Cohort Bachelor of Education Program."
Maier	
Carried	

7. Acting Secretary Treasurer’s Report

- 7.1 September 2023 Expenditures Report
The Acting Secretary-Treasurer presented the September 2023 Expenditures Report. Financial statements aren’t very revealing at this time of the year. Trustees said report is very clear.
- 7.2 September 2023 Operations Department Report
The Director of Operations presented the Operations Department Report for September 2023 and answered questions from Trustees.
- 7.3 September 2023 Information Technology Department Report
The Manager of IT presented the Information Technology Department Report for September 2023 and answered questions from Trustees.

8. Committee Reports

- 8.1 Finance & Building Committee **(Trustees Beil, Maier, Pucci)**
 - 8.1.1 School Infrastructure Program (FIP) Capital Submission (Feeding Futures)

Motion 20231016-8.1.1	
Beil	"Be it resolved by the Board of Education of School District No. 52 (Prince Rupert) that the School Infrastructure Program (FIP) Capital Submission (Feeding Futures) be approved to apply for the grant."
Pucci	
Carried	

- 8.2 Framework for Enhancing Student Learning **(Trustees Horne, Sanchez)**
 - 8.2.1 Annual Student Learning Report
The Committee did not sit recently.
- 8.3 Provincial Council **(Trustees Maier, Pucci)**
Trustee Maier is going Oct 20 for Provincial Council meeting. Reminder if we are doing motions at the AGM it is due in February.
- 8.4 Indigenous Education Council **(Trustees Toye, Sanchez)**
They meet next week and Chair Toye will report back after the meeting.

8.5 Policy Committee (Trustees Horne, Toye)

8.5.1 October 10, 2023 meeting
Trustee Horne presented the minutes of the October 10, 2023 meeting of the Policy Committee.

- 8.5.2 Policies for Approval
 - 8.5.2.1 6720 – Privacy Policy
 - 8.5.2.2 6730 – Public Interest Disclosure Policy
 - 8.5.2.3 1120 – French Immersion Policy

Motion 20231016-8.5.2

“Be it resolved by the Board of Education of School District No. 52 (Prince Rupert) that 6720 – Privacy Policy, 6730 – Public Interest Disclosure Policy and 1120 – French Immersion Policy be approved as amended.”

Carried

Amend 1120 to read School District, not School on the first line.

- 8.5.3 Policies for Introduction/Discussion
 - 8.5.3.1 Multimedia Devices (NEW)

Motion 20231016-8.5.3.1

Beil “Be it resolved by the Board of Education of School District No. 52
Horne (Prince Rupert) to send to district’s partner groups for review.”

Carried

8.5.3.2 1140 – Student Reporting Policy

Motion 20231016-8.5.3.1a

Horne “Be it resolved by the Board of Education of School District No. 52
Maier (Prince Rupert) to send to district’s partner groups for review.”

Carried

- 8.5.4 Policies for Review
 - 8.5.4.1 1220 – International Students Policy

Motion 20231016-8.5.3.1a

Horne “Be it resolved by the Board of Education of School District No. 52
(Prince Rupert) to send this policy to the district’s partner groups to review.”

Carried

Discussion that this should read that International Students are competent in English

Motion Rescinded by Trustee Horne

Motion 20231016-8.5.3.1a

Beil “Be it resolved by the Board of Education of School District No. 52
Horne (Prince Rupert) to send this policy back to the policy committee to review further.”

Carried

- 8.6 District Technology Steering Committee
None

- 9. **Old Business**
None

10. **New Business**

10.1 Administrative Assistants, Team Leaders and Department Heads

Motion 20231016-10.1

Horne "Be it resolved by the Board of Education of School District No. 52
Pucci (Prince Rupert) that the board approves the list of Administrative
Assistants, Team Leaders and Department Heads as presented."

Carried

11. **Information Items:**

- 11.1 BCSTA NIB & NW Joint Branch Meeting
Chair Toye noted that they just attended these meetings October 13 & 14, 2023.
- 11.2 Advocacy Day, Board Chairs, October 19, 2023
Chair Toye noted that Advocacy Day for Board Chairs is on October 19, 2023.
- 11.3 Professional Development Day, October 20, 2023
Chair Toye noted that the Professional Development Day is on October 20, 2023.
- 11.4 BCPSEA Symposium, November 2 & 3, 2023
Chair Toye noted that the BCPSEA Symposium is on November 2 & 3, 2023.
- 11.5 Board of Education meeting, November 7, 2023 (Election)
Chair Toye noted that the Board of Education meeting (Election) is on November 7, 2023.
- 11.6 Remembrance Day Stat, November 10, 2023
Chair Toye noted that the Remembrance Day stat is on November 10, 2023.
- 11.7 BCSSA, November 16 & 17, 2023
Chair Toye noted that BCSSA is on November 16 & 17, 2023.
- 11.8 Board of Education meeting, November 20, 2023
Chair Toye noted that the Board of Education meeting is on November 20, 2023.

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

None

13. **Adjournment**

Chair Toye adjourned the meeting at 7:59 p.m.



Board Chair, Kate Toye



Acting Superintendent, Sandra Pond

