

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 72 (CAMPBELL RIVER), HELD IN PERSON AND ELECTRONICALLY AT 7:30 PM, ON TUESDAY, APRIL 18, 2023

Present: K. Eddy, Chair; C. Gillis, Vice-Chair; S. Briggs, J. Gladish, D. Harper and J. McMann, Trustees; P. Cizmic, Associate Superintendent, J. Morrow, Superintendent; and K. Patrick, Secretary-Treasurer.

Absent: D. Hagen, Trustee; M. Kyle, Associate Superintendent

23-55 Call to order/ Chair's remarks

Board Chair Eddy called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

23-56 Superintendent's remarks

Superintendent Morrow shared that plans for summer school are in development.

The Workers' Day of Mourning will be recognized by the district on April 28.

Schools have been busy after the return from spring break with Carihi and Timberline students' showing at the 2023 Canadian Wrestling Nationals March 24-26 and the opening of Carihi's production of "Newsies" on April 19 of particular note.

The district has begun work to establish an accessibility committee in response to the implementation of the *Accessible British Columbia Act*. The committee will be led by the Superintendent and interested staff will be invited join the committee.

23-57 Approval of the minutes of March 21, 2023

It was proposed by D. Harper, seconded by J. Gladish and **CARRIED:**

THAT the minutes of the meeting of March 21, 2023 are hereby approved as circulated.

23-58 Business arising from the minutes

Trustee Gladish requested an update on item 23-48 regarding the THRIVE program after it has been launched, at a future board meeting.

23-59 Approval of the Agenda

It was proposed by C. Gillis, seconded by S. Briggs and **CARRIED:**

THAT the agenda is hereby approved as circulated.

23-60 Report from the April 18, 2023 Confidential Board Meeting

Vice-Chair Gillis reported general statements of matters discussed in the Board’s Confidential Meeting, and in accordance with Section 72(3) of the School Act, reports the following:

1. Teaching, administrative and support staff changes;
2. Property, legal and financial issues.

23-61 Campbell River Family Network: Planning together for student success

Brenda Wagman, Campbell River Family Network coordinator and Anne Boyd, Campbell River Literacy Association member, gave a presentation on the Campbell River Family Network’s collaborative work with over twenty agencies and organizations including School District 72. Their aim is to gather data through use of the Early Years Development Instrument (EDI) and advocate for the positive impact that early years interventions with children have over the course of their development. They urged the board to consider early years data in the development of the board’s strategic priorities.

23-62 2024/2025 and 2025/2026 school calendars

Superintendent Morrow reported that the calendar consultation committee had met to review feedback and revise the proposed 2024/2025 and 2025/2026 calendars.

It was proposed by J. Gladish, seconded by S. Briggs and **CARRIED:**

THAT the 2024/2025 and 2025/2026 school calendars, presented by Superintendent Morrow be approved as circulated and presented to the minister as per the school calendar regulation of the School Act.

23-63 Finance Warrant No. 7 January 31, 2023

It was proposed by D Harper, seconded by C Gillis and **CARRIED:**

THAT the Finance Warrant No. 7, dated January 31, 2023 be accepted as presented.

23-64 District Parent Advisory Council April 11

Trustee McMann reported that she attended the April 11 DPAC meeting which met to discuss the 23/24 operating budget and contribute feedback.

23-65 Superintendent’s student leadership committee April 13

Trustee Briggs reported on her attendance at the April 13 Superintendent’s leadership committee meeting. The discussion focussed on hearing student feedback on the budget. Food security and school facilities were highlighted topics.

23-66 Questions from anyone present on agenda items for this meeting:

Question 1 – Debra Coombes, President, Campbell River District Teachers’ Association (present in the gallery)

“In the CR Family Network presentation they advocate for early years staff positions. Can you identify if this exists?”

Associate Superintendent Cizmic responded that the district has received provincial funding for early years including a full time district principal of early learning and child care and a part time vice principal.

Question 2 – Debra Coombes, President, Campbell River District Teachers’ Association (present in the gallery)

“Do you feel that the Superintendent’s student leadership committee is representative of a cross-section the student body?”

Superintendent Morrow responded that the intent is to have a group of that is representative of the student population. It is a diverse and involved group of students. The hope is that the school level groups led by principals will feed into the district level group with the superintendent.

23-62 Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:09 pm.

Kat Eddy, Chair.

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Kevin Patrick, Secretary-Treasurer.