

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, JUNE 20, 2023

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

23-89 Call to order/ Chair's remarks

Board Chair Eddy called the meeting to order at 7:32 pm. Eddy noted that June 21 is Indigenous Peoples' Day with public events taking place at the Kwanwatsi Big House starting at 10 am. Eddy noted that she attended the Indigenous Graduation ceremony on June 8 and was honoured to walk alongside families and students at the event.

23-90 Superintendent's remarks

Superintendent Morrow celebrated the many ceremonies and events that he has attended over the past month. He was pleased to observe students, staff and parents celebrating a year of student achievements at school and in community.

23-91 Approval of the minutes of May 30, 2023

It was proposed by D. Harper, seconded by S. Briggs and **CARRIED:**

THAT the minutes of the meeting of May 30, 2023 are hereby approved as circulated.

23-92 Approval of the Agenda

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

THAT the agenda is hereby approved as submitted.

23-93 Report from the June 20, 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.

23-94 Correspondence

Chair Eddy noted correspondence received by email from:

- Vanessa Webber-MacLean May 26, 2023
- Lucas Schuller June 19, 2023

23-95 Indigenous Education update

District Principal of Indigenous Education and English Language Learners, Debra Martel, was joined by Indigenous Education Resource Coordinator, Gillian Kirke and Transitions Teacher, Kash Ward, for a presentation on some aspects of Indigenous Education in the district. The Indigenous Education department provides services, tracks progress and creates opportunities and interests for those who self-identify as having Indigenous ancestry. The presenters shared how they support other teachers through mentorship and collaboration. They showed examples of projects that have been worked on at a variety of school levels this year.

23-96 Board self review report update

Chair Eddy reported that the Board met with BC School Trustee Association Director of Education Services Gordon Li on June 3. They discussed building a board growth plan.

23-97 Trustee remuneration analysis

Secretary-Treasurer Patrick shared the annual report to review Board remuneration. He referred to the formula used to calculate the remuneration. The formula was developed in 2005 and adopted to provide guidance and a comparative tool to inform the Board. Compensation and student numbers in other similar districts is compared to arrive at a weighted median average.

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

THAT the Board recommends an adjustment to Trustee remuneration as per the formula adopted by the Board in 2005 which is reviewed on an annual basis and will take effect on July 1st of the new fiscal year.

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

THAT the Board directs staff to do a comparative study of other districts for review in 2024.

23-98 Finance Warrant No. 9, March 31, 2023

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

THAT the Finance Warrant No. 9, dated March 31, 2023 be accepted as presented

23-99 2023-2024 Capital Plan Application

Secretary-Treasurer Patrick highlighted aspects of the capital plan application including: additions to Ocean Grove and Ripple Rock elementary; a replacement of Cedar school and seismic upgrades. He handed out a copy of a minor capital application to support enhancements for the district food delivery program that was recently made available.

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

THAT the Board approve the 2023-2024 Capital Plan submission as outlined in the summary provided by Secretary-Treasurer Patrick.

23-100 Superintendent’s Student Leadership Committee June 8

Trustee Briggs attended the June 8 Superintendent’s Student Leadership Committee. Thirteen students were in attendance. Students provided input on the rainbow painting at the school board office and shared valuable insight on safety, belonging, connection, accessibility, educational accommodations and mental health education.

23-101 CUPE/ Board liaison meeting June 8

Chair Eddy attended the annual CUPE/ Board liaison meeting. Child care, staff recruitment and retention and professional development were the main topics of discussion.

23-102 CRDTA/ Board liaison meeting June 13

Vice-Chair Gillis attended the CRDTA/ Board liaison meeting on June 13. Topics concerning social justice were on the agenda and included: resolving issues, school naming, gender neutral washrooms, Pride flags and a review of Board governance policies.

23-103 Questions from anyone present on agenda items for this meeting:

Question 1 – Debra Coombes, President, Campbell River District Teachers’ Association (present in the gallery) “Is the Trustee remuneration formula public?” Secretary-Treasurer Patrick responded that it was shared in the agenda package and he can share it with her via email.

Question 2 – Debra Coombes, President, Campbell River District Teachers’ Association (present in the gallery) “Is the minor capital application a handout?” Secretary-Treasurer Patrick responded that it was a late addition and a verbal description detailing the minor capital submission was given in the meeting.

23-104 Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.