# 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 30, 2024

**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; G. Manning, Superintendent; and K. Patrick Secretary-Treasurer.

#### 24-70 Call to order/ Chair's remarks

Board Chair Eddy called the meeting to order at 7:31 pm. Eddy reported on recent Trustee activities including: attending the grand opening of the Ripple Rock child care centre on April 12, attending the BC School Trustees Association AGM on April 18-20 and her attendance at the City of Campbell River transportation plan meeting on April 30. She noted the upcoming Red Dress Day of Awareness for Missing & Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls and 2SLGBTQI+ people.

## 24-71 Superintendent's remarks

Superintendent Manning shared that the Ocean Grove child care centre opened on April 29 and the remaining sites will be opening through the spring and early fall. The district's work in the childcare sector was recently acknowledged by CUPE National. He noted the upcoming student careers night at North Island College on May 8.

# 24-72 Approval of the minutes of April 9, 2024

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

THAT the minutes of the meeting of April 9, 2024 are hereby approved as circulated.

#### 24-73 Additions or alterations to the agenda

14C Capital plan bylaw approval (K. Patrick)

#### 24-74 Approval of the agenda

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

THAT the agenda is hereby approved as amended.

#### 24-75 Report from the April 30, 2024 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.

#### 24-76 Inreach/ Outreach team

Erin Stephens, inclusion support teacher and Inreach/ Outreach team leader together with Brenna Ewing, Director of Inclusive Education, gave a presentation on the team's function and activities. The team consists of one teacher, three inclusion support workers and one youth care worker. The team provides targeted intervention support to students who are not attending school or are experiencing significant barriers to attendance. The goal is to support students at risk in their transition back to school. By pursuing an innovative solution the team has been able to make a positive impact for students and teachers.

#### 24-77 April 18-20, 2024 BC School Trustees Association AGM

Vice-Chair Gillis shared the Board's experience at the April 18-20 BC School Trustee Association AGM.

## **24-78** Finance Warrant No. 9, March 31, 2024

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

THAT the Finance Warrant No.9, dated March 31, 2024 be accepted as presented.

#### 24-79 Quarterly Finance Report - period ending March 31, 2024

Secretary-Treasurer Patrick shared the details of the third quarter financial report for the period ending March 31, 2024.

#### 24-80 Capital Plan Bylaw No. 2024/25-CPSD72-01

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

THAT the Capital Plan Bylaw No. 2024/25 CPSD72-01 for projects identified in the March 15, 2024 Capital Plan response letter from the Ministry of Education and Child Care be given all three readings at this meeting.

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

THAT the Capital Plan Bylaw No. 2024/25 CPSD72-01for projects identified in the March 15, 2024 Capital Plan response letter from the Ministry of Education and Child Care is hereby read for the first time.

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

THAT the Capital Plan Bylaw No. 2024/25 CPSD72-01for projects identified in the March 15, 2024 Capital Plan response letter from the Ministry of Education and Child Care is hereby read for the second time.

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

THAT the Capital Plan Bylaw No. 2024/25 CPSD72-01for projects identified in the March 15, 2024 Capital Plan response letter from the Ministry of Education and Child Care is hereby read for the third time, passed and adopted.

## 24-81 April 15, 2024 Core professional development

Trustee Gladish noted discussion at the April 15 core professional development meeting regarding the themes and pro-d plans for 24/25 and the work of the committee to include new teachers and teachers teaching on call in pro-d plans.

#### 24-82 April 23, 2024 District Parent Advisory Committee

Trustee McMann reported that the focus of the April 23 district parent advisory committee meeting was on budget feedback. Future DPAC meetings include plans to attract more participants.

#### 24-83 Questions from anyone present on agenda items for this meeting

**Question 1** – Andrea Craddock, CUPE Local 723 (online) asked if the Inreach/ Outreach team has been well received? There is a long waitlist, sometimes months. How will this be addressed?

Superintendent Manning responded that the team has been well received and we are always looking for ways to increase the impact of the supports.

**Question 2** – Andrea Craddock, CUPE Local 723 (online) said that in the third quarter report it is concerning to see funding underspent as we remain understaffed.

Superintendent Manning responded that the district is constantly recruiting and interviewing to try and fill vacant positions. The CUPE Responsible Adult position has recently been added as a way to address some of the vacancies. Board Chair Eddy added that CUPE representatives and district staff have been working hard to increase capacity, recruit internally and increase the educational assistant base.

#### Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:33 pm.

Kat Eddy, Chair.

Kevin Patrick, Secretary-Treasurer.

KWP:nc April 30, 2024