

# MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING The Board of Education School District #33 (Chilliwack)

**Date of Meeting:** Tuesday, February 8, 2022

Location: Zoom Webinar

Members Present: Chair Mr. J. Mumford

Vice-Chair Ms. W. Reichelt
Trustee Dr. C. Bondar
Trustee Dr. D. Furgason
Trustee Mrs. H. Maahs
Trustee Mr. B. Neufeld

Trustee Mr. D. Swankey

**Staff Present:** Superintendent Mr. R. Arul-pragasam

Secretary Treasurer Mr. G. Slykhuis Assistant Secretary Treasurer Mr. M. Friesen **Assistant Superintendent** Mr. K. Savage **Assistant Superintendent** Ms. P. Jordan Director of Instruction Mr. D. Manuel **Executive Assistant** Ms. T. McInally **Executive Assistant** Ms. L. Champagne Audio-Video/Desktop Foreman Mr. M. Bakker

# 1. CALL TO ORDER - Zoom Webinar

# 1.1. Call to Order

The Board Chair called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m. – **Welcome, Acknowledgment of Traditional Territory** 

# 1.2. Adoption of the Agenda

**42.22** Moved by: Trustee Swankey

Seconded by: Trustee Bondar

THAT the agenda be adopted as circulated.

**CARRIED** 

#### 1.3. Approval of the Minutes

**43.22** Moved by: Trustee Bondar

Seconded by: Trustee Maahs

THAT the minutes of the January 11, 2022 Regular Board Meeting be approved as circulated.

**CARRIED** 

Trustee Neufeld joined meeting at 5:33 p.m.

#### 2. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - COMMENTS/QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE AGENDA

No questions or comments were received.

# 3. ACTION ITEMS

#### 3.1. 2022-2023 Local School Calendar

44.22 Moved by: Trustee Reichelt Seconded by: Trustee Bondar

THAT the Board of Education comply with the consent order outlining the 2022-2023 Local School Calendar.

**CARRIED** 

For: Bondar, Mumford, Reichelt, Swankey

Opposed: Maahs Abstained: Furgason, Neufeld

#### 3.2. Unsworth Boundary

**45.22** Moved by: Trustee Reichelt Seconded by: Trustee Bondar

THAT the Board of Education approve that the Unsworth Elementary boundary which was closed March 2017, be reopened to all out of catchment students, as a result of the revised school boundary effective September 2022.

**CARRIED** 

#### 3.3. Education Policy Advisory Committee Report / Policy Renovation Project

#### 3.3.1. Policy 280 - Smudging

46.22 Moved by: Trustee Swankey Seconded by: Trustee Reichelt

THAT the Board of Education reaffirm Policy 280 Smudging - (920 Smudging) as presented. This policy was presented to the Education Policy Advisory Committee in draft form at its January 24, 2022 meeting.

**CARRIED** 

#### 3.3.2. Policy 290 - Educational Heritage

**47.22** Moved by: Trustee Reichelt Seconded by: Trustee Bondar

THAT the Board of Education reaffirm Policy 290 Educational Heritage - (908 Historical Records Preservation) as presented. This policy was presented to the Education Policy Advisory Committee in draft form at its January 24, 2022 meeting.

**CARRIED** 

# 3.3.3. Policy 320 - School Admission and Placement

48.22 Moved by: Trustee Swankey Seconded by: Trustee Bondar

> THAT the Board of Education reaffirm Policy 320 School Admission and Placement -(531 School Admission and Choice) as presented. This policy was presented to the Education Policy Advisory Committee in draft form at its January 24, 2022 meeting.

> > **NO VOTE**

49.22 Moved by: Trustee Maahs Seconded by: Trustee Furgason

THAT the Policy be amended to replace the word "placement" with "choice."

**DEFEATED** 

For: Maahs, Neufeld

Opposed: Bondar, Furgason, Mumford, Reichelt, Swankey

50.22 Moved by: Trustee Swankey Seconded by: Trustee Bondar

> THAT the Board of Education reaffirm Policy 320 School Admission and Placement -(531 School Admission and Choice) as presented. This policy was presented to the Education Policy Advisory Committee in draft form at its January 24, 2022 meeting.

> > CARRIED

For: Bondar, Furgason, Mumford, Reichelt, Neufeld, Swankey

Opposed: Maahs

#### 3.3.4. Policy 321 - Ordinarily Resident & Non-Resident Students

51.22 Moved by: Trustee Bondar Seconded by: Trustee Swankey

> THAT the Board of Education reaffirm Policy 321 Ordinarily Resident & Non-Resident Students - (504 Ordinarily Resident & Non-Resident Students) as presented. This policy was presented to the Education Policy Advisory Committee in draft form at its January 24, 2022 meeting.

> > **CARRIED**

## 3.3.5. Policy 322 – International Student Program

52.22 Moved by: Trustee Bondar Seconded by: Trustee Reichelt

> THAT the Board of Education reaffirm Policy 322 International Student Program - (511 International Student Program) as presented. This policy was presented to the Education Policy Advisory Committee in draft form at its January 24, 2022 meeting.

> > **CARRIED**

# 3.4. Policy Renovation Project: Policy 131 - Conflict of Interest

53.22 Moved by: Trustee Maahs
Seconded by: Trustee Bondar

THAT the Board of Education approve Policy 131 – Conflict of Interest as attached. Further, THAT the Board abandon existing Policy 219 – Conflict of Interest for Trustees (found <u>HERE</u>) as it is made redundant by the new policy.

**CARRIED** 

Meeting break called at 6:30 p.m. Meeting called to order at 6:41 p.m.

#### 3.5. Policy Renovation Project: Bylaw 4: Appeal Procedure

54.22 Moved by: Trustee Reichelt Seconded by: Trustee Bondar

THAT the Board approve third reading and adoption of Bylaw 4 Appeal Procedure.

**CARRIED** 

## 3.6. Policy Renovation Project: Bylaw 5: Board Meeting Procedures

55.22 Moved by: Trustee Swankey Seconded by: Trustee Bondar

THAT the Board approve third reading and adoption of Bylaw 5 Board Meeting Procedures.

Further, THAT the Board abandon existing policies (found <u>HERE</u>) as they are made redundant by the new policies after the third reading of Bylaw 5 Board Meeting Procedures:

- Policy 201: Suspension of Policies and Board Approved Regulations
- Policy 207: Electronic Participation by Trustees
- Policy 209: Election of Trustees to Board Positions
- Policy 210: Inaugural Meeting
- Policy 211: Regular Public Meetings
- Policy 212: In-Camera Meetings
- Policy 213: Special Meetings
- Policy 215: Rules of Order
- Policy 216: Motions
- Policy 217: Debate
- Policy 218: Voting
- Policy 220: Public Participation
- Policy 221: Delegations and Representations
- Policy 236: Committee of the Whole.

**CARRIED** 

#### 3.7. 2021 - 2022 Amended Annual Budget

Moved by: Trustee Maahs

Seconded by: Trustee Bondar

THAT the Board of Education approve the 3<sup>rd</sup> reading and adoption of 2021-2022 Amended Annual Budget Bylaw in the amount of \$181,012,800.

**CARRIED** 

# 4. INFORMATION ITEMS

## 4.1. Quarterly Financial Report

The Secretary Treasurer presented the Quarterly Financial Report - December 31, 2021.

# 4.2. Budget Advisory Committee Report

The Board of Education received the Budget Advisory Committee report of February 3, 2022.

#### 4.3. COVID-19 Update

Superintendent Rohan Arul-pragasam provided an update on COVID-19 as it relates to the Chilliwack School District.

#### 4.4. BCSTA Report

Matters related to the British Columbia School Trustees' Association (BCSTA) were discussed.

#### 4.5. Trustee Written Reports

Trustees submitted written reports listing key activities they've attended since the last board meeting as well as upcoming events.

# 4.6. Meeting Summaries

#### January 11, 2022 In-Camera Meeting Summary

Trustees: Jared Mumford, Willow Reichelt, Carin Bondar, Darrell Furgason,

Heather Maahs, Barry Neufeld, David Swankey

Staff: Rohan Arul-pragasam, Gerry Slykhuis, Tamara Ilersich, Talana McInally

- 1. PVP Recruitment / Selection Process
- 2. HR Report
- 3. BCPSEA Report
- 4. Secondary School Quarter System
- 5. Director of HR Contract

#### January 17, 2022 Learning Session

Trustees: Jared Mumford, Willow Reichelt, Carin Bondar, Heather Maahs, David

Swankey

Staff: Rohan Arul-pragasam, Gerry Slykhuis, Kirk Savage, Paula Jordan, Mark

Friesen, David Manuel, Brian Fehlauer, Chuck Lawson, Lynnet Schramm

1. Secondary School Quarter System

#### January 25, 2022 Learning Session

Trustees: Willow Reichelt, Carin Bondar, Darrell Furgason, Heather Maahs, Barry

Neufeld, David Swankey

Staff: Rohan Arul-pragasam, Gerry Slykhuis, Kirk Savage, Paula Jordan, Mark

Friesen, David Manuel

1. 3-Year Budget Planning

2. Literacy

3. Curriculum Framework

4. EPAC Policies

# 4.7. Next Board of Education Meeting Date

Tuesday, March 8, 2022 5:30 p.m. Zoom Webinar

#### 5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – QUESTIONS CONCERNING AGENDA ITEMS

- COVID-19 Tests
- Board Training and Learning

# 6. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:58 p.m.