



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

Date of Meeting: Tuesday, January 17, 2023

Location: School District Office

Members Present:

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| Chair | Willow Reichelt |
| Vice-Chair | Carin Bondar |
| Trustee | Heather Maahs |
| Trustee | Richard Procee |
| Trustee | Margaret Reid |
| Trustee | David Swankey |
| Trustee | Teri Westerby |

Staff Present:

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| Superintendent | Rohan Arul-pragasam |
| Secretary Treasurer | Simone Sangster |
| Assistant Secretary Treasurer | Mark Friesen |
| Director of Facilities and Transportation | Allan Van Tassel |
| Assistant Superintendent | Paula Jordan |
| Assistant Superintendent | Kirk Savage |
| Director of Instruction | Dave Manuel |
| Executive Assistant | Talana McInally |

1. CALL TO ORDER

1.1. Call to Order

The Board Chair called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. – **Welcome, Acknowledgment of Traditional Territory**

1.2. Adoption of the Agenda

5.23 Moved by: Trustee Bondar
Seconded by: Trustee Maahs

THAT the agenda be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

1.3. Approval of the Minutes

6.23 Moved by: Trustee Swankey

Seconded by: Trustee Westerby
THAT the minutes of the December 6, 2022 Regular Board Meeting be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

2. PRESENTATION

2.1. Delegation Presentation: Jillian Walsh – Eating Disorders

Jillian Walsh presented information on eating disorders and recovery.

This delegation presentation was granted through Bylaw 5 – Board Meeting Procedures, item # 6 – Delegations.

3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – COMMENTS/QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE AGENDA

- No comments or questions were received.

4. ACTION ITEMS

4.1. 2022-2023 Amended Annual Budget – 1st Reading

7.23 Moved by: Trustee Swankey
Seconded by: Trustee Bondar

THAT the Board of Education approve the first reading of 2022-2023 Amended Annual Budget Bylaw in the amount of \$201,292,491.

CARRIED

4.2. 2023 -2024 Draft School Calendar Consultation

Trustee Swankey acknowledged conflict of interest and recused himself from discussion on this item.

8.23 Moved by: Trustee Westerby
Seconded by: Trustee Bondar

THAT the Board of Education approve the Draft 2023 – 2024 Local School Calendar as outlined for feedback from employees, parents/guardians/caregivers, and the public.

CARRIED

**For: Bondar, Maahs, Procee, Reichelt, Reid, Westerby
Abstained: Swankey**

4.3. Dyslexia/Learning Disabilities Funding & Policy

9.23 Moved by: Trustee Maahs
Seconded by: Trustee Bondar

THAT the Board of Education request, in writing, that the Ministry of Education and Child Care allocate direct funding to the special needs category Q so that students with learning disabilities can have better access to resources,

and

THAT the Board of Education request, in writing, that the Ministry of Education and Child Care move toward making Policy to facilitate screening readers starting in Kindergarten, ensuring structured literacy is accessed in all schools (including mainstream, distributed learning and special education classrooms).

10.23 Moved by: Trustee Swankey
Seconded by: Trustee Bondar

NO VOTE

THAT the motion be divided.

CARRIED
For: Bondar, Reichelt, Reid, Swankey, Westerby
Opposed: Maahs
Abstained: Procee

11.23 Moved by: Trustee Maahs
Seconded by: Trustee Bondar

THAT the Board of Education request, in writing, that the Ministry of Education and Child Care allocate direct funding to the special needs category Q so that students with learning disabilities can have better access to resources.

12.23 Moved by: Trustee Maahs
Seconded by: Trustee Bondar

CARRIED

THAT the Board of Education request, in writing, that the Ministry of Education and Child Care move toward making Policy to facilitate screening readers starting in Kindergarten, ensuring structured literacy is accessed in all schools (including mainstream, distributed learning and special education classrooms).

13.23 Moved by: Trustee Westerby
Seconded by: Trustee Swankey

NO VOTE

THAT motion be amended to read THAT Board of Education request, in writing, that the Ministry of Education and Child Care fund additional early literacy screening interventions and resources.

Meeting break was called at 7:36 p.m.
Meeting called to order at 7:41 p.m.

14.23 Moved by: Trustee Westerby
Seconded by: Trustee Swankey

CARRIED
For: Bondar, Reichelt, Reid, Swankey, Westerby
Opposed: Maahs
Abstained: Procee

THAT motion be approved as amended.

15.23 Moved by: Trustee Maahs
Seconded by: Trustee Bondar

CARRIED

THAT the agenda be amended to defer items **4.4.1, 4.5.1, 4.5.2** and **4.7.1** to the next Board of Education meeting.

CARRIED
For: Bondar, Maahs, Procee, Reichelt, Reid, Westerby
Opposed: Swankey

4.6. Policy Renovation Project (Partner & Community Relations)

4.6.1. Policy 210 Privacy

16.23 Moved by: Trustee Swankey
Seconded by: Trustee Westerby

THAT the Board of Education approve Policy 210 - Privacy as presented. This policy was presented to the Education Policy Advisory Committee in its draft form at its December 13, 2022, meeting.

CARRIED

5. INFORMATION ITEMS

5.6. Budget Advisory Committee Report

The Board of Education received the Budget Advisory Committee Report of October 7, 2022

5.7. BCSTA Report

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

5.8. Trustee Written Reports

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

- Trustee Maahs' Trustee Written Report informed a Notice of Motion and was included in the agenda package.

5.9. Meeting Summaries

December 6, 2022 In-Camera Meeting Summary

Trustees: Willow Reichelt, Carin Bondar, Heather Maahs, Richard Procee, Margaret Reid, David Swankey, Teri Westerby

Staff: Rohan Arul-pragasam, Gerry Slykhuis, Lisa-Marie Champagne

1. HR Report
2. Statement of Financial Information (SOFI) Report
3. Principal / Vice Principal Assignments
4. BCPSEA Report
5. Exempt / PVP Compensation

6. Principal – Vice Principal Appointments

December 13, 2022 Strategic Learning Session

Trustees: Willow Reichelt, Carin Bondar, Heather Maahs, Richard Procee, Margaret Reid, David Swankey, Teri Westerby

Staff: Rohan Arul-pragasam, Gerry Slykhuis, Kirk Savage, Paula Jordan, David Manuel, Brenda Calendino, Jessica Adams-Loupret

- 1. FSA – Administer with Care
- 2. Competency Based IEPs

January 10, 2023 Strategic Learning Session

Trustees: Willow Reichelt, Carin Bondar, Heather Maahs, Richard Procee, Margaret Reid, David Swankey, Teri Westerby

Staff: Rohan Arul-pragasam, Simone Sangster, Kirk Savage, Paula Jordan, David Manuel

- 1. Small Group Instruction
- 2. Athletics Update

5.10. Next Board of Education Meeting Date

**Tuesday, February 7, 2023
5:30 p.m.
School District Office**

6. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – QUESTIONS CONCERNING AGENDA ITEMS

- Early Learning Assessments

6. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Board Chair

Secretary-Treasurer