



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

**Date of Meeting:** Tuesday, June 27, 2023

**Location:** School District Office

**Members Present:**

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

**Regrets:** Trustee Heather Maahs

**Staff Present:**

Superintendent	Rohan Arul-pragasam
Secretary Treasurer	Simone Sangster
Assistant Superintendent	Paula Jordan
Assistant Superintendent	Kirk Savage
Assistant Superintendent	Dave Manuel
Director of Facilities and Transportation	Allan Van Tassel
Assistant Director of HR	Rachael Green
Executive Assistant	Talana McInally

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**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**

**124.23** Moved by: Trustee Bondar  
Seconded by: Trustee Westerby

THAT the agenda be adopted as circulated.

**CARRIED**

**1.3. Approval of the Minutes**

**125.23** Moved by: Trustee Reid

Seconded by: Trustee Swankey

THAT the minutes of the June 13, 2023 Regular Board Meeting be approved as circulated.

**CARRIED**

**2. PRESENTATION**

**2.1. Strategic Plan Presentation: Strategic Plan Highlights 2022-23**

Assistant School Superintendent Kirk Savage presented the Chilliwack School District's first annual Board of Education report on strategic plan progress. This report encompasses a collection of stories that exemplifies the efforts to advance the four goal areas of Literacy, Numeracy, Human and Social Development and Transitions throughout the 2022-23 school year.

**3. INFORMATION ITEMS**

**3.1. BCSTA Report**

Trustee Reid provided an update on matters related to the BCSTA.

**3.2. 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

**4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – COMMENTS/QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE AGENDA**

- Reporting and comparing consecutive FSA scores
- Policy 524 – Physical Restraint and Seclusion of Students in School Settings
- Strategic Plan Highlights report
- Administrative Procedures – input and revision
- Policy 608 – Assistance Dogs
- Policy 433 – Provision of Menstrual Products

**5. ACTION ITEMS**

Meeting Recessed at 6:00 pm  
Meeting called back to order at 6:04 pm

**5.1. Annual Five-Year Capital Plan, 2024/25 & School Food Infrastructure Plan for 2023/24**

**126.23** Moved by: Trustee Swankey  
Seconded by: Trustee Bondar

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 33 (Chilliwack), in accordance with provisions under section 142(4) of the School Act, approve the proposed Major Programs in the Five-Year Capital Plan for 2024/25, as provided on the Five-Year Capital Plan Summary outlined in the attached document.

**CARRIED**

**127.23** Moved by: Trustee Reid  
Seconded by: Trustee Westerby

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 33 (Chilliwack), in accordance with provisions under section 142(4) of the School Act, approve the proposed Minor Programs in the Five-Year Capital Plan for 2024/25, as provided on the Five-Year Capital Plan Summary outlined in the attached document.

**CARRIED**

**128.23** Moved by: Trustee Bondar  
Seconded by: Trustee Westerby

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 33 (Chilliwack), in accordance with provisions under section 142(4) of the School Act, approve the proposed Building Envelope Program in the Five-Year Capital Plan for 2024/25, as provided on the Five-Year Capital Plan Summary outlined in the attached document.

**CARRIED**

**129.23** Moved by: Trustee Westerby  
Seconded by: Trustee Bondar

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 33 (Chilliwack), in accordance with provisions under section 142(4) of the School Act, approve the proposed School Food Infrastructure Program in the Five-Year Capital Plan for 2023/24, as provided on the 2023/24 Five-Year Capital Plan Summary outlined in the attached document.

**CARRIED**

**5.2. Policy Renovation Project – Policies to be Reaffirmed**

**5.2.1. Policy 433: Provision of Menstrual Products**

**130.23** Moved by: Trustee Westerby  
Seconded by: Trustee Swankey

THAT the Board of Education reaffirm Policy 433 Provision of Menstrual Products - (535 Provision of Menstrual Products) as presented.

**NO VOTE**

**131.23** Moved by: Trustee Westerby  
Seconded by: Trustee Reid

THAT Policy 433: Provision of Menstrual Products be amended to add “specifically in all variations of washrooms (Male, Female, Gender-Neutral)” to the end of procedure number three.

**CARRIED**

**For: Bondar, Reichelt, Reid, Swankey, Westerby**

Opposed: Procee

**132.23** Moved by: Trustee Westerby  
Seconded by: Trustee Reid

THAT Policy 433: Provision of Menstrual Products be approved as amended.

**CARRIED**

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

**133.23** Moved by: Trustee Swankey  
Seconded by: Trustee Bondar

THAT the Board of Education send a letter to the Minister of Education & Childcare and the Parliamentary Secretary for Gender Equity, communicating the cost pressures associated with addressing period poverty by providing menstrual products in schools and requesting support for boards in delivering these supports for students.

**CARRIED**

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

**5.2.2. Policy 520: Public Interest Disclosures**

**134.23** Moved by: Trustee Swankey  
Seconded by: Trustee Bondar

THAT Policy 520 Public Interest Disclosures (404 – Whistleblower Protection) be referred back to Staff for consideration.

**CARRIED**

Meeting Recessed at 6:56 pm  
Meeting called back to order at 7:05 pm

**5.3. Policy Renovation Project – Policies to be Repealed**

**5.3.1. Board Regulation 300.2: School Administration Entitlements**

**135.23** Moved by: Westerby  
Seconded by: Swankey

THAT the Board of Education repeal Board Regulation 300.2 School Administrative Entitlements.

**CARRIED**

**5.3.2. Policy 400: District Code of Conduct**

**136.23** Moved by: Trustee Bondar  
Seconded by: Trustee Westerby

THAT the Board of Education repeal 400: District Code of Conduct.

**CARRIED**

**5.3.3. Policy 403: Police Information Check - Volunteers**

**137.23** Moved by: Trustee Reid  
Seconded by: Trustee Bondar

THAT the Board of Education repeal Policy 403 Police Information Check – Volunteers.

**CARRIED**

**5.3.4. Policy 416: Exchange Teaching**

**138.23** Moved by: Trustee Bondar  
Seconded by: Trustee Westerby

THAT the Board of Education repeal Policy 416 Exchange Teaching.

**CARRIED**

**5.3.5. Policy 422: Smoke/Tobacco and E-Cigarette (Vapour) – Free Environments**

**139.23** Moved by: Trustee Bondar  
Seconded by: Trustee Swankey

THAT the Board of Education repeal Policy 422 Smoke/Tobacco and E-Cigarette (Vapour) – Free Environments.

**CARRIED**

**5.3.6. Policy 424: Child Abuse and Neglect**

**140.23** Moved by: Trustee Swankey  
Seconded by: Trustee Bondar

THAT the Board of Education repeal Policy 424 Child Abuse and Neglect.

**CARRIED**

**5.3.7. Policy 430: Staffing Allocations**

**141.23** Moved by: Trustee Reid  
Seconded by: Trustee Bondar

THAT the Board of Education repeal Policy 430 Staffing Allocations.

**CARRIED**

**5.3.8. Policy 508: Distance Learning Ordinarily Resident**

**142.23** Moved by: Trustee Bondar  
Seconded by: Trustee Westerby

THAT the Board of Education repeal Policy 508 Distance Learning Ordinarily Resident.

**CARRIED**

**5.3.9. Policy 513: Student Safety Equipment**

**143.23** Moved by: Trustee Reid  
Seconded by: Trustee Westerby

THAT the Board of Education repeal Policy 513 Student Safety Equipment.

**CARRIED**

**5.3.10. Policy 524: Physical Restraint and Seclusion of Students in School Settings**

**144.23** Moved by: Trustee Swankey  
Seconded by: Trustee Bondar

THAT the Board of Education direct the Superintendent to garner feedback from the Advisory Committee on Inclusive Education on Policy 524 & Administrative Procedure 427.

**CARRIED**

**5.3.11. Policy 533: Maintenance of Order & Policy 717: Trespassing**

**145.23** Moved by: Trustee Westerby  
Seconded by: Trustee Bondar

THAT the Board of Education repeal Policy 533 Maintenance of Order and Policy 717 Trespassing.

**5.3.12. Policy 608: Assistant Dogs & Policy 610: Pets/Animals in the Classroom**

**146.23** Moved by: Trustee Swankey  
Seconded by: Trustee Bondar

THAT the Board of Education repeal Policy 608 Assistance Dogs and Policy 610 Pets/Animals in the Classroom.

**CARRIED**

**5.3.13. Policy 702: First Aid**

**147.23** Moved by: Trustee Westerby  
Seconded by: Trustee Reid

THAT the Board of Education repeal Policy 702 First Aid.

**CARRIED**

**6. MEETING SUMMARIES**

**May 9, 2023 In-Camera Meeting**

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

Staff: Rohan Arul-pragasam, Simone Sangster, Talana McInally

Guest: Raj Dhasi

1. HR Report
2. BCPSEA Report
3. Board Annual Performance Review
4. Superintendent Annual Performance Review

**7. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – COMMENTS/QUESTIONS CONCERNING AGENDA ITEMS**

- Policy 433 – Menstrual Products
- Policy 424 – Child Abuse and Neglect
- Machine & supply cost for menstrual products
- Education in schools on menstrual products

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

**7.1. Next Board of Education Meeting Date**

**Tuesday, September 12, 2023  
5:30 p.m.  
School District Office**

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Board Chair

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Secretary-Treasurer