
Present Via Zoom Conference System:

Tim Bennett, Chair
Trent Derrick, Vice-Chair
Betty Bekkering, Trustee
Ron Polillo, Trustee
Bob Thompson, Trustee
Shuirose Valimohamed, Trustee
Sharel Warrington, Trustee

Anita Richardson, Superintendent of Schools
Darleen Patterson, Secretary Treasurer
Diane Nygaard, Executive Assistant (Recorder)

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m.

2. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

The agenda was amended to move Item 8 Old Business, Kelly Road Secondary School and items 8.1 to 8.4 to follow item 11 Trustee Reports.

The agenda was approved as amended.

3. **PUBLIC INPUT**

The Board Chair stated that in response to the COVID 19 pandemic, the Board has moved to an electronic format until further notice. An opportunity to provide submissions to the Board was provided through a dedicated email. The email submissions will be read aloud by the Superintendent and Secretary Treasurer. Due to the number of emails received, some emails have been grouped together by theme.

MOVED and SECONDED

That the public input portion of this meeting be extended to one hour.

CARRIED

The Secretary Treasurer provided a summary of the submission received through the dedicated email publicinput@sd57.bc.ca that were received prior to 5 p.m. on Monday, April 27th. Ms. Patterson stated that 88 submissions were received; 77 submissions in support of the name Kelly Road Secondary School (57 from unique individuals and 20 additional submissions of individuals) and 11 unique individual submission in support of the name Shas Ti.

The Superintendent and Secretary Treasurer read a selection from email submissions that were grouped by theme to the Board of Education.

A recess was called at 6:40 p.m. and the meeting reconvened at 6:45 p.m.

The Superintendent concluded with the final public input submission.

The Board Chair advised that partner groups have been provided with an opportunity to address the Board following public input. Representatives wishing to address the Board could do so through Zoom or through written submission.

The Superintendent read the written submission provided by Dayi Clayton Pountney on behalf of the Lheidli T'enneh Council. Dayi Pountney's commented on the collaborative and cooperative relationship between Lheidli T'enneh and School District No. 57 and respectfully requested that the Trustees uphold the unanimous vote made on February 25th to name the new secondary school 'Shas Ti'.

4. **SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS**

Trustee Polillo acknowledged the hard work of school district staff during this unprecedented time in response to the COVID 19 pandemic.

The Board Chair expressed gratitude to parents, staff and students during this difficult time and stated that the school district looks forward to welcoming everyone back when it is safe to do so.

5. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

5.1 Regular Public Meeting of April 7, 2020

The minutes of the regular public meeting of April 7, 2020 were adopted as published.

5.2 Record of In Camera Meeting Minutes

The report on the items discussed and decisions made at the regular in camera meeting of April 7, 2020 and the special in camera meeting of April 7, 2020 were approved.

6. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

None.

7. **MANAGEMENT AND FINANCE COMMITTEE**

7.1 Committee Report

Trustee Warrington reviewed the April 2020 Management and Finance Committee report that was included in the agenda package.

MOVED and SECONDED

That the report of the Management and Finance Committee meeting held on April 20, 2020 be received.

CARRIED

8. **NEW BUSINESS**

None.

9. **DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION REPORTS**

9.1 Superintendent of Schools

The Superintendent provided an update on the school district's ongoing strategies in response to the COVID 19 pandemic response that included information on the following items:

- Services to Support Children of our Essential Workers
- Meals Program for Vulnerable Students
- Continuity of Educational Opportunities for All Students

10. **TRUSTEE REPORTS**

10.1 Indigenous Education Committee

Trustee Derrick reviewed the Indigenous Education Committee report included in the agenda package and responded to questions from the Trustees.

10.2 BC School Trustees' Association

Trustee Polillo confirmed that the British Columbia School Trustees' Association Annual General Meeting has been cancelled in response to the COVID 19 pandemic. Mr. Polillo reported that the 2020/21 Annual Budget and the appointment of an auditor to review the budget was approved at a Zoom meeting held on April 17th.

Trustee Polillo reported on the election for the BCSTA Board of Directors that was held on April 24th, and congratulated Trustee Bennett on his re-election.

10.3 District Parent Advisory Council

Trustee Warrington reviewed the District Parent Advisory Council report that was included in the agenda package.

11. **OLD BUSINESS**

11.1 Kelly Road Secondary School

Trustee Polillo reviewed the recommendation and rationale that was included in the agenda package.

MOVED and SECONDED

That the Board of Education dual name the new school building to Kelly Road Shas Ti Secondary

The motion generated significant discussion and debate.

Trustee Bennett stepped down from the Chair to bring forward a proposed amendment to the motion.

Trustee Derrick, as Vice Chair, assumed the Chair.

Trustee Bennett provided a verbal rationale to amend the original meeting as follows:

MOVED and SECONDED

That the Board of Education dual name the new school building to hold both Shas Ti Secondary and Kelly Road Secondary.

The motion generated significant discussion and debate.

Trustee Thompson brought forward the following motion.

MOVED and SECONDED

That the vote on this motion be postponed until debate of the other motions regarding the possible name change of Kelly Road Secondary has concluded.

Trustee Bennett assumed the Chair.

Trustee Warrington reviewed the recommendation and rationale that was included in the agenda package.

MOVED and SECONDED

That the newly constructed replacement for Kelly Road Secondary School retain its name Kelly Road Secondary School and

That the Board support and encourage the leaders and Elders of the Lheidli T'enneh together with the students and staff of Kelly Road to begin a process on ways to incorporate the ancestral history of the Lheidli T'enneh, the ancestral history of Shas Ti and the Dakelh language within, around and on the outside of the newly constructed replacement school.

The motion generated significant discussion and debate.

Trustee Thompson brought forward the following motion.

MOVED and SECONDED

That the vote on this motion be postponed until debate of the other motions regarding the possible name change of Kelly Road Secondary has concluded.

CARRIED

Trustee Bekkering reviewed the recommendation and rationale that was included in the agenda package.

MOVED and SECONDED

That the Board of Education approves the name of the new school to be Shas Ti Secondary School and that the Board supports and encourages the students, staff, leaders of the school and senior administration to begin a process to determine ways to incorporate the history of Kelly Road Secondary School into the new school.

The motion generated significant discussion and debate.

Trustee Thompson brought forward the following motion:

MOVED and SECONDED

That the vote on this motion be postponed until debate of the other motions regarding the possible name change of Kelly Road Secondary has concluded.

CARRIED

Trustee Derrick reviewed the recommendation and rationale that was included in the agenda package.

MOVED and SECONDED

That the name of the newly reconstructed Kelly Road Secondary School be change to Shas Ti and to honour the history of Kelly Road Secondary School that the gym be called Kelly Road Gym.

The motion generated significant discussion and debate.

Trustee Thompson brought forward the following motion:

MOVED and SECONDED

That the vote on this motion be postponed until debate of the other motions regarding the possible name change of Kelly Road Secondary has concluded.

CARRIED

A recess was called at 9:40 p.m. and the meeting reconvened at 9:47 p.m.

The discussion returned to the following amended motion, and it was carried.

The amended motion generated significant discussion and debate.

MOVED and SECONDED

That the Board of Education dual name the new school building to hold both Shas Ti Secondary and Kelly Road Secondary.

CARRIED

MOVED and SECONDED

That the remaining three motions be withdrawn.

CARRIED

12. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 10:12 p.m.

Chairperson

Secretary Treasurer