
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 6:01 p.m.

2. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

The agenda was approved as published.

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. Mr. Bennett confirmed that no submissions were received for this evening's meeting.

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 following written submission provided by partner groups:

Joanne Hapke representing the Prince George District Teachers' Association encouraged Trustees to allow partner groups to present to the Board in person at regular public meetings. Ms. Hapke also commented on the work of undertaken by teachers to provide equity for students to ensure the continuity of learning and the preparation of reporting during the COVID 19 pandemic. Trustees were encouraged to visit schools to hear the stories of individual Teachers.

Karen Wong representing CUPE 3742 acknowledged the commitment of its members and provided an overview of the various ways specific groups of its membership are supporting the school district, student and staff during the COVID 19 pandemic.

Andrea Beckett representing the District Parent Advisory Council expressed gratitude for their collaborative relationship with the Board of Education and Senior Administration. Ms. Beckett expressed appreciation for the recent meeting held with representatives of both Trustees and Senior Administration to hear feedback regarding specific policies within the draft Board Policy Manual. She advised that due to the COVID 19 pandemic, the DPAC Annual General Meeting and elections have been deferred to October 2020; all current executive and Board will remain until that time.

4. SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS

None.

5. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

5.1 Regular Public Meeting of April 28, 2020

The minutes of the regular public meeting of April 28, 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 28, 2020 and the special in camera meeting of April 28 and 30, May 7, 14, 19 and 20, 2020 were approved.

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None.

7. **MANAGEMENT AND FINANCE COMMITTEE**

7.1 Committee Report

Trustee Warrington reviewed the May 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 May 11, 2020 be received.

CARRIED

8. **EDUCATION PROGRAMS AND PLANNING COMMITTEE**

8.1 Committee Report

Trustee Derrick reviewed the May 2020 Education Programs and Planning Committee report that was included in the agenda package.

MOVED and SECONDED

That the report of the Education Programs and Planning Committee meeting held on May 19, 2020 be received.

CARRIED

8.2 Proposed Board Authorized Course

8.2.1 Baseball 10

MOVED and SECONDED

That Baseball 10 be approved as a Board authorized course.

CARRIED

8.3 Schedule of Fees and Deposits 2020-2021

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

MOVED and SECONDED

That, in accordance with section 82(6) of the *School Act* and Ministerial Order 236/07, the Schedule of Fees and Deposits for 2020-2021 be approved and published.

The Superintendent drew attention to Policy 5101 Financial Hardship that was included in the agenda package.

The Superintendent and Secretary Treasurer responded to questions from the Trustees. The questions focused on the possible financial challenges of families related to the COVID 19 pandemic and the financial impact to the school district if the school fees were to be waived for the 2020/21 school year.

Trustee Derrick brought forward a verbal rationale to amend the original meeting as follows:

AMENDED, MOVED and SECONDED

That, in accordance with section 82(6) of the School Act and Ministerial Order 236/07, the Schedule of Fees and Deposits for 2020-2021 be approved and published, and that this be reviewed at the first public Board meeting of the 2020/21 school year.

CARRIED

9. EDUCATION SERVICES COMMITTEE

9.1 Committee Report

Trustee Polillo reviewed the May 2020 Education Services Committee report that was included in the agenda package.

MOVED and SECONDED

That the report of the Management and Finance Committee meeting held on May 4, 2020 be received.

CARRIED

10. NEW BUSINESS

10.1 Naming, Renaming and Dual Naming of Schools

Trustee Warrington reviewed the recommendation and rationale that was included in the agenda package. Ms. Warrington commented on draft Administrative Procedure 541 Naming of District Facilities and Grounds.

MOVED and SECONDED

That a Board policy and attendant administrative procedures on the naming, renaming and dual naming of School District No. 57 schools be developed.

The Trustees discussed the draft Board Policy Manual that will be presented to the Board to consideration for approval at the June 16, 2020 regular public meeting.

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 brought for a verbal recommendation for the following motion and responded to questions from the Trustees.

MOVED and SECONDED

That the Board of Education refers this item to senior administration for further research.

CARRIED

Trustee Bennett assumed the Chair.

11. DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

11.1 Superintendent of Schools

The Superintendent provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding the safe work procedures for Stage 3 – Restart Plan related to the COVID 19 pandemic. The presentation included information on the following items:

- Principles of the Restart Plan
- Guidelines for Stage 3
- Draft Framework of SD57 Schedule for Student Attendance
- Protocols for Accessing Work Sites and Minimizing Risk
- Student Transportation and Buses

12. TRUSTEE REPORTS

12.1 Indigenous Education Committee

Trustee Derrick reviewed the Indigenous Education Committee report included in the agenda package.

12.2 BC Public School Employers' Association

Trustee Bekkering reported that the province's public Boards of Education have ratified the Provincial Collective Agreement reached with the BC Teachers' Federation. Ms. Bekkering stated that communications from BCPSEA regarding COVID 19 and resources are regularly forwarded to Trustees.

12.3 BC School Trustees' Association

Trustee Polillo reviewed the report that was included in the agenda package.

12.4 District Parent Advisory Council

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

12.5 District Student Advisory Council

Trustee Polillo reviewed the District Student Advisory Council report that was included in the agenda package.

12.6 Liaison Updates

12.6.1 Trustee Polillo

Trustee Polillo drew attention to the Trustee Liaison report that was included in the agenda package.

13. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Chairperson

Secretary Treasurer