

Board of Education

Regular Public Meeting

March 8, 2022



SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 57 (PRINCE GEORGE)

School District No. 57 (Prince George)

BOARD OF EDUCATION

CHARTER

Our mission, as a Board of Education, is to create a culture of trust and integrity by adhering to the highest standards of ethical behaviour and fiduciary responsibility.

We, the Board of Education, individually and collectively, in the conduct of our duties, will be:

- Transparent
- Open-minded
- Consultative
- Committed
- Respectful of Diversity

BOARD OF EDUCATION AND SENIOR ADMINISTRATION

GUIDING PRINCIPLES

The Board of Education and senior administration believe we are accountable to the families and communities we serve. We respect their diversity and support their involvement.

We further believe that all children can learn, achieve and succeed, and that by working together with our employees, students, parents, and our communities, we will enable our students to reach their greatest academic potential.

We believe our students have the right:

- To a safe and respectful learning environment.
- To be valued.
- To have the opportunity to explore and develop their potential.
- To have their intellectual, emotional, physical and social needs met

We also believe that with these rights come responsibilities with respect to their school, classroom and work habits.

We believe our employees have the following rights and responsibilities:

- To be treated fairly and work in a safe environment.
- To be respected, trusted, included and valued.
- To explore, collaborate and develop to their potential.
- To treat others fairly, work cooperatively, and create a safe working and learning environment.

Together, we affirm that these guiding principles provide the foundation for the decisions we make in School District No. 57.

BOARD OF EDUCATION
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 57 (PRINCE GEORGE)
REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING
6:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 8, 2022
Boardroom – 2100 Ferry Avenue

A G E N D A

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL TERRITORY

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

4. PUBLIC INPUT

Thirty minutes maximum; limit of five minutes per speaker

5. PRESENTATIONS

- *Kelly Johansen, President,
Prince George Principals' and Vice Principals' Association*

6. SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS

7. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

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Education Services Committee – April 4, 2022
Policy and Governance Committee – April 5, 2022
Management and Finance Committee – April 11, 2022
Education Programs and Planning Committee – April 12, 2022
Public Board Meeting – April 26, 2022

DRAFT
Minutes
Regular Public
Meeting

Board of Education
School District No. 57 (Prince George)
2100 Ferry Avenue, Prince George, B.C.

2022.02.22
6:00 p.m.

Present:

Sharel Warrington, Chair
Ron Polillo, Vice Chair
Betty Bekkering, Trustee
Tim Bennett, Trustee
Milton Mahoney, Trustee
Bob Thompson, Trustee
Rachael Weber, Trustee

Cindy Heitman, Superintendent of Schools (Zoom)
Darleen Patterson, Secretary Treasurer
Lee Karpenko, Assistant Superintendent
Kap Manhas, Assistant Superintendent
Diane Nygaard, Executive Assistant (Recorder)

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m.

2. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

The Board Chair provided a formal acknowledgement of the ancestral lands, culture and people of the Lheidli T'enneh Nation, McLeod Lake Indian Band and Simpcw First Nation.

The agenda was approved as published.

3. **PUBLIC INPUT**

Joanne Hapke representing the Prince George District Teachers' Association commented on the teacher shortage and the redeployment of Resource and Learning Assistance Teachers to cover teacher absences. Ms. Hapke read a letter of concern from an elementary school support teacher related to this issue. She requested a response from the Board regarding various items including budget, recruitment and retention.

Andrea Beckett representing the District Parent Advisory Council noted that tomorrow is Anti-Bullying Day and stressed the importance to observe anti-bullying every day. Ms. Beckett provided an update related to the collaborative work with the school district related to the review of Bylaw No. 4 and noted the upcoming budget consultation meetings. She provided an overview of the BC Confederation of Parent Advisory Councils' Conference and Annual General Meeting that will be held from April 29 to May 1, 2022.

Kyra McKinnon and Victoria Joiner representing the District Student Advisory Council with Teacher Dylan Clifford in attendance provided an update on the recent activities of the group. Kyra reported that the official release of the learning series videos on anti-racism to the public will be on March 2nd at Vanier Hall from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Victoria provided an overview of recent opportunities for DSAC representatives to visit Ron Brent Elementary School to meet with vulnerable students.

4. **SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS**

Trustee Bennett noted that February 23rd is Pink Shirt Day and provided an overview on the history of the internationally recognized day.

Trustee Bennett provided an overview of the results from the recent basketball zones and extended congratulations on behalf of the Board.

Trustee Polillo congratulated Meryeta O'Dine, DP Todd Secondary School graduate, on receiving a bronze medal at the Beijing 2022 Olympics

Trustee Warrington recognized the work of teachers and support staff related to the COVID 19 pandemic.

5. **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

5.1 Inaugural Meeting of January 25, 2022

The minutes of the inaugural meeting of January 25, 2022 were adopted as published.

5.2 Regular Public Meeting of January 25, 2022

The minutes of the regular public meeting of January 25, 2022 were adopted as published.

5.3 Record of Minutes of Regular In Camera Meeting of January 24, 2022 and Special In Camera Meetings of January 21, January 24 at 4 p.m. and 6:30 p.m., January 25, January 27 and February 8, 2022

The report on the items discussed and decisions made at the regular in camera meeting of the regular in camera meeting of January 24, 2022 and special in camera meetings of January 21, January 24 at 4 p.m. and 6:30 p.m., January 25, January 27 and February 8, 2022 were approved.

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**6.1 Aboriginal Report 2016/17 – 2020/21 How Are We Doing? – Follow-Up**

The Superintendent shared a PowerPoint presentation providing a detailed review of the demographics and the graduation data included in the Aboriginal Report 2016/17 – 2020/21 How Are We Doing? for SD57.

The Superintendent responded to questions from the Trustees.

The Board Chair provided an overview of a recent meeting with the Indigenous Education Leadership Table and acknowledged the voice of the McLeod Lake Indian Band and the Lheidli T'enneh First Nation.

A recess was called at 7:24 p.m. and the meeting was reconvened at 7:32 p.m.

7. MANAGEMENT AND FINANCE COMMITTEE**7.1 Committee Report**

Trustee Bennett reviewed the February 2022 Management and Finance Committee of the Whole report that was included in the agenda package.

Mr. Bennett drew attention to the 2022/23 Budget Process document that was appended to the committee report.

MOVED and SECONDED

That the report of the Management and Finance Committee of the Whole meeting held on February 14, 2022 be received.

CARRIED

7.2 2021-2022 Amended Annual Budget

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

The Secretary Treasurer responded to questions from the Trustees.

MOVED and SECONDED

That, in accordance with Section 68 (4) of the *School Act*, all three readings of Amended Annual Budget Bylaw 2021-2022 be given at this meeting.

CARRIED

MOVED and SECONDED

That Amended Annual Budget Bylaw 2021-2022 be given first reading.

CARRIED

MOVED and SECONDED

That Amended Annual Budget Bylaw 2021-2022 be given second reading.

CARRIED

The Secretary Treasurer provided a PowerPoint presentation on the 2021-2022 amended annual budget document that was included in the agenda package. Ms. Patterson responded to questions from the Trustees.

MOVED and SECONDED

That Amended Annual Budget Bylaw 2021-2022 be given third and final reading.

CARRIED

7.3 Policy 8230 Trustee Remuneration and Expenses

Trustee Bennett reviewed the recommendation and background that was included in the agenda package.

The Secretary Treasurer noted a correction to the background that was included in the agenda package stating that there has not been a negotiated salary increase with the Prince George District Teachers Association, CUPE 3742 and CUPE 4991.

The Secretary Treasurer responded to questions from the Trustees.

The Board Chair noted that at the January 25, 2022 regular public meeting the Board approved the terms of reference for the Ad Hoc Committee on Trustee Remuneration to provide a recommendation to the Board regarding proposed changes to Trustee remuneration rates and the process for annual remuneration review. The Ad Hoc Committee will report to the Board of Education through the Management and Finance Committee no later than June 13, 2022.

MOVED and SECONDED

That Policy 8230 Trustee Remuneration and Expenses, Regulation 1, be revised, effective July 1, 2022, based on the same increment if any, as the grid lift directed by the British Columbia School Employers' Association (BCPSEA) for exempt staff.

DEFEATED

7.4 Ad Hoc Language Planning Committee – Terms of Reference

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

MOVED and SECONDED

That the Board of Education approve the Terms of Reference for the Ad Hoc Language Planning Committee as presented.

The Trustees discussed how to incorporate the consultation with the Indigenous Education Leadership Table into the terms of reference.

The Superintendent advised that the school district committee structures will be discussed at tomorrow's meeting with the Indigenous Education Leadership Table.

MOVED and SECONDED

To table this motion to the March 8, 2022 regular public meeting.

CARRIED

MOVED and SECONDED

To defer the remaining agenda items with the exception of agenda item 11.1 to the March 8, 2022 regular public meeting.

CARRIED

8. **EDUCATION PROGRAMS AND PLANNING COMMITTEE**

8.1 Committee Report

This item was deferred to the March 8, 2022 regular public meeting.

9. **EDUCATION SERVICES COMMITTEE**

9.1 Committee Report

This item was deferred to the March 8, 2022 regular public meeting.

9.2 Ad Hoc Long Range Facility Use Committee

This item was deferred to the March 8, 2022 regular public meeting.

10. **POLICY AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE**

10.1 Committee Report

This item was deferred to the March 8, 2022 regular public meeting.

10.2 Draft Policy 1120 Access to the Board

This item was deferred to the March 8, 2022 regular public meeting.

10.3 Draft Policy Anti-Racism – Terms of Reference

This item was deferred to the March 8, 2022 regular public meeting.

11. **OLD BUSINESS**

11.1 Draft Trustee Committee and Liaison Appointments

The Board Chair reviewed the recommendation and rationale that was included in the agenda package. Ms. Warrington drew attention to the Trustee Committee and Liaison Appointments – February 2022 that was also included in the agenda package.

MOVED and SECONDED

That the Trustee Committee and Liaison Appointments – February 2022 be approved.

CARRIED

12. **NEW BUSINESS**

This item was deferred to the March 8, 2022 regular public meeting.

13. **DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION REPORTS**

13.1 Acting Superintendent of Schools

This item was deferred to the March 8, 2022 regular public meeting.

14. **TRUSTEE REPORTS**

14.1 BC School Trustees' Association

This item was deferred to the March 8, 2022 regular public meeting.

14.2 BC Public School Employers' Association

This item was deferred to the March 8, 2022 regular public meeting.

14.3 District Parent Advisory Council

This item was deferred to the March 8, 2022 regular public meeting.

14.4 District Student Advisory Council

This item was deferred to the March 8, 2022 regular public meeting.

14.5 Indigenous Education Advisory Committee

This item was deferred to the March 8, 2022 regular public meeting.

14.6 Various Trustee Reports

14.6.1 Trustee Bekkering

This item was deferred to the March 8, 2022 regular public meeting.

14.6.2 Trustee Polillo

This item was deferred to the March 8, 2022 regular public meeting.

14.6.3 Trustee Warrington

This item was deferred to the March 8, 2022 regular public meeting.

14.6.4 Other Trustees

This item was deferred to the March 8, 2022 regular public meeting.

15. **CORRESPONDENCE**

This item was deferred to the March 8, 2022 regular public meeting.

16. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 8:58 p.m.

Chairperson

Secretary Treasurer

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 57 (PRINCE GEORGE)

RECORD PURSUANT TO SECTION 72 OF THE SCHOOL ACT

MATTERS DISCUSSED AND DECISIONS REACHED AT THE SPECIAL AND
REGULAR IN CAMERA MEETINGS HELD SINCE THE LAST SUCH REPORT

February 22, 2022 Special In Camera Meeting.

1. Acknowledgement of the Traditional Territories.
2. Approval of the agenda.
3. Adoption of the minutes of the special in camera meeting of January 24, 2022.
4. Adoption of the minutes of the special in camera meeting of January 25, 2022.
5. Adoption of the minutes of the special in camera meeting of January 27, 2022.
6. Adoption of the minutes of the special in camera meeting of February 8, 2022.
7. Discussion related to a personnel matter.
8. Receipt of an update regarding a legal matter.

The meeting was called to order at 4:05 p.m. and adjourned at 5:03 p.m.

February 22, 2022 Regular In Camera Meeting

1. Acknowledgement of the Traditional Territories.
2. Approval of the agenda.
3. Adoption of the minutes of the regular in camera meeting of January 24, 2022.
4. Receipt of an update related to a personnel matter.
5. Receipt of information related to a governance matter.
6. Receipt of a British Columbia Public School Employers' Association update.
7. Receipt of the quarterly report October 1 – December 31, 2021 from the British Columbia Ombudsperson.
8. Receipt of an update regarding a legal matter.

The meeting was called to order at 5:10 p.m. and adjourned at 5:19 p.m.

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 57 (PRINCE GEORGE)

March 2, 2022

Memorandum

TO: Board of Education

FROM: Trustee Tim Bennett

SUBJECT: **AD HOC LANGUAGE PLANNING COMMITTEE**

RECOMMENDATION

That the Board of Education postpone the motion to approve the Terms of Reference for the Ad Hoc Language Planning Committee to a future regular public meeting to allow for consultation with the Indigenous Education Leadership Table.

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BACKGROUND:

1. At the February 22, 2022 regular public meeting, the draft Terms of Reference for the Ad Hoc Language Planning Committee was presented to the Board for approval through the Management and Finance Committee.

The motion was tabled to the March 8, 2022 regular public meeting to allow for a discussion with the Indigenous Education Leadership Table (IELT) on how to incorporate consultation with the IELT.

The Superintendent has submitted a request for an opportunity to discuss the school district's committee structures at a meeting with the Indigenous Education Leadership Table.

/dln

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 57 (PRINCE GEORGE)

February 15, 2022

MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Education

FROM: Trustee Polillo, Chair
Education Programs and Planning Committee

SUBJECT: **COMMITTEE REPORT – FEBRUARY 2022**

RECOMMENDATION

That the report of the Education Programs and Planning Committee meeting held on February 15, 2022 be received.

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REPORT:

1. The Education Programs and Planning Committee met on February 15, 2022.
2. The meeting's agenda items were:
 - a. **Approval of the minutes of the previous meeting held.**
 - b. **District Student Advisory Committee:** The District Student Advisory Committee advised of their plans to release three of their Video Series on anti-racism to the Community on March 2, 2022 and also reported on partnering and building connections with Ron Brent Elementary students.
 - c. **After School Sport and Arts Program:** The district Community Schools Coordinators provided a PowerPoint Presentation on the various after school programs available to students that strives to build positive, healthy relationships, promotes resilience, confidence and self-esteem.
 - d. **D. P. Todd Family of Schools –** The Principal of D.P. Todd Secondary School and the Principal of Quinson Elementary School delivered a PowerPoint Presentation reporting on field trips to an active trap-line, ice fishing, plant identification and land based opportunities that builds confidence in students.
 - e. **District Learning Support Programs:** The Principal of District Learner Support Programs reported on the various support programs available through the Alternate Community Program, Online Learning /Continuing Education and the Central Interior District Education school that are available to students advising the programs are developing to meet the needs of the students.
3. The next Education Programs and Planning Committee meeting will be held on April 12, 2022.

/jc

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 57 (PRINCE GEORGE)

February 7, 2022

MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Education

FROM: Bob Thompson, Committee Chair
Education Services Committee

SUBJECT: **COMMITTEE REPORT – FEBRUARY 2022**

RECOMMENDATION

That the report of the Education Service Committee meeting held on
February 7, 2022 be received.

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REPORT:

1. The Education Services Committee met on February 7, 2022.
2. The meeting's agenda included the following topics:
 - a. **Minutes of Previous Meeting** – The minutes of the November 8, 2021 meeting were approved as presented.
 - b. **Ad Hoc Long Range Facility Use Committee** - The committee received the Ad Hoc Long Range Facility Use Committee Recommendation and Terms of Reference that is being considered by the Board at this evening's meeting.
 - c. **Energy and Sustainable Conservation Update – Aug 2021 to Dec 2021** -The Energy and Sustainable Conservation Coordinator, provided a written Energy and Sustainable Conservation update report and responded to questions.
 - d. **Shas Ti Kelly Road Secondary School Capital Project** – The Director of Facility Services provided a verbal update on the Shas Ti Kelly Road Secondary Capital Project advising that outside work will continue in the Spring on the parking lots, bus and fire lanes. An access road will be constructed to the storm water retention pond to manage surface water from parking lots and the construction of sports storage buildings.
 - e. **Annual Facility Grant Project Update** – The Manager of Capital Planning and Projects provided a verbal update advising of the replacement of gym floors at Pineview and Buckhorn Elementary schools.
 - f. **Purchase Orders Over \$25,000, Oct to Dec 2021** – The committee reviewed the Purchase Orders over \$25,000 report and the Secretary Treasurer responded to questions.
3. The next Education Services Committee meeting is scheduled to be held April 4, 2022.

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 57 (PRINCE GEORGE)

February 7, 2022

Memorandum

TO: Board of Education

FROM: Education Services Committee

SUBJECT: **AD HOC LONG RANGE FACILITY USE COMMITTEE**

RECOMMENDATION

That the Board of Education approve the Terms of Reference for the Ad Hoc Long Range Facility Use Committee as presented.

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RATIONALE:

1. In alignment with a recommendation contained in the report of the Expanded Committee of the Whole Catchment and Capacity Review Rightsholder and Stakeholder Advisory Committee "that the Board of Education establishes a Long Range Facility Use Committee to consider many of the challenges identified during the Expanded Committee of the Whole Catchment and Capacity Review Rightsholder and Stakeholder Advisory Committee meetings and that the Committee be comprised of at least two (2) members from each of the Rightsholder and Stakeholder groups.
2. A comprehensive Long-Range Facilities Plan (LRFP) will guide the Board of Education in making decisions regarding capital asset management and capital plan submissions, both in terms of facility operations and educational programming.
3. Significant changes have occurred in the school district impacting a variety of factors which had originally informed the creation of the Long-Range Facilities Plan dated 2014/2015 to 2023/2024.

DP/dln

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 57 (PRINCE GEORGE)

AD HOC LONG RANGE FACILITY USE COMMITTEE

TERMS OF REFERENCE

Purpose

The committee is being formed in response to the following motion, adopted by the Board at its public meeting of January 25, 2022. "That the Board of Education establishes a Long Range Facility Use Committee to consider many of the challenges identified during the Expanded Committee of the Whole Catchment and Capacity Review Rightsholder and Stakeholder Advisory Committee meetings".

The committee will gather information and provide feedback and recommendations through the Education Services Committee to the Board of Education on the following relevant sections of Bylaw 1:

- Facilities, planning and utilization
- Capital planning
- Enrolment
- School boundaries

The committee's feedback and recommendations to the Board will also inform the development of a new Long Range Facility Plan ("LRFP") for the district through the development of a wide-ranging vision for the use of the Board's current and potential future inventory of capital assets; a broad set of strategies for the most-effective delivery of education programs; and recommendations for the alternative community use of space in open schools and closed schools, as well as the use of school property.

The committee will consider the 2021-2026 Strategic Plan, including the district Directions of Truth and Reconciliation, Equity of Access, Wellness, and Learning as well as the district Values of Transparency, Integrity, Equity, Inclusion, Respect and Community in their discussions.

Scope

1. To receive information provided to the Expanded Committee of the Whole Catchment and Capacity Review Rightsholder and Stakeholder Advisory Committee considered during meetings of the committee.
2. To review and discuss the report of the Expanded Committee of the Whole Catchment and Capacity Review Rightsholder and Stakeholder Advisory Committee received by the Board of Education January 25, 2022.
3. To identify trends, challenges and emergent issues based on the information received.
4. To make recommendations to the Board of Education, through the Education Services Committee on options for addressing the identified trends, challenges, and emergent issues.

Membership

Trustees (Chair Education Services Committee)
Lheidli T'enneh Nation (2)
McLeod Lake Indian Band (2)
Simpco First Nation (2)
Indigenous Education Advisory Committee (2)
Assistant Superintendent
CUPE 3742 (2)
CUPE 4991 (2)
Director of Facilities Services
District Parent Advisory Council (2)
District Student Advisory Council (2)
Energy and Sustainable Conservation Coordinator
Manager of Capital Planning and Projects
Prince George District Teachers' Association (2)
Prince George Principals and Vice Principals Association (2)
Secretary Treasurer
Superintendent

Chair

Secretary Treasurer

Reporting

The Ad Hoc Long Range Facility Use Committee will report to the Board of Education, through the Education Services Committee, no later than April 20, 2023.

Meetings

The Ad Hoc Long Range Facility Use Committee will meet as required between March 31, 2022 and April 30, 2023 - meeting dates to be determined.

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 57 (PRINCE GEORGE)

February 8, 2022

MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Education

FROM: Betty Bekkering, Chair
Policy and Governance Committee

SUBJECT: **COMMITTEE REPORT – FEBRUARY 2022**

RECOMMENDATION

That the report of the Policy and Governance Committee meeting held on February 8, 2022 be received.

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REPORT:

- 1) The Policy and Governance Committee met on February 8, 2022.
- 2) The meeting's agenda items were:
 - a) Approval of the minutes of the previous meeting held.
 - b) **Draft Policy 4116.3 Confidential Disclosure: Whistle-Blower Protection - Update-**
The Superintendent stated that the Committee was advised at the November 2021 meeting that the deadline for school districts to develop the policy had been extended from December 31, 2021 to December 31, 2023. Ms. Heitman advised that the Secretary Treasurer will create a draft terms of reference for a working group to develop the draft policy which will be presented at the next committee meeting for review.
 - c) **Draft Policy 1120 Access to the Board** – This item appears on this evening's agenda.
 - d) **Draft Policy Child Care**– Assistant Superintendent Karpenko reviewed and discussed the draft policy created by the policy development working group with the Committee. The committee requested revisions to the draft policy; the policy has been referred to Senior Administration for further review and will be brought back to a future Committee meeting.
 - e) **Draft Policy Anti-Racism – Terms of Reference**– This item appears on this evening's agenda.
 - f) **Draft Policy Indigenous Anti-Racism Policy – Update** – The Superintendent and Director of Instruction, Indigenous Education discussed a proposed draft policy to include restorative practices. The Superintendent and Director of Instruction, Indigenous Education will continue to work to develop a draft policy in consultation with the Nations.
- 3) The next Policy and Governance Committee meeting will be held on April 5, 2022.

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 57 (PRINCE GEORGE)

February 8, 2022

MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Education

FROM: Policy and Governance Committee

SUBJECT: **DRAFT POLICY 1120 ACCESS TO THE BOARD**

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Board of Education approve draft Policy 1120
Access to the Board as presented.

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BACKGROUND

1. On March 16, 2021 the Board of Education approved the Local Education Agreement between Takla Nation and School District No. 57 (Prince George).
2. On February 8, 2022 the Policy and Governance Committee reviewed and discussed the revision to the definition of "Rightsholder and Stakeholder groups" to include the Metis Nation.
3. In accordance with Policy 8310 (Policy and Policy Development), minor revisions that do not change the intent of a policy may be approved by the Board without being distributed to reference groups for input.



BOARD OF EDUCATION
School District No. 57
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POLICY 1120

ACCESS TO THE BOARD

APPROVED: 1981.11.18

REVISED: 1995.09.12

1999.01.26

2001.11.27

2002.11.26

2003.09.30

2012.10.30

2020.09.29

2022.XX.XX

POLICY

Opportunities will be provided for public access to the Board of Education.

DEFINITIONS:

“Ad hoc committees” are appointed by the Board to conduct research into specific issues.

“Formal presentations” are oral or written submissions arranged in advance and presented to Board or committee meetings.

“Regular meetings” are regularly scheduled public Board meetings.

“Rightsholder and Stakeholder groups” are:

- Indigenous Education Advisory Committee
- CUPE Local 3742
- CUPE Local 4991
- District Parent Advisory Council
- District Student Advisory Council
- Lheidli T'enneh First Nation
- McLeod Lake Indian Band
- Metis Nation
- Prince George District Teachers' Association
- Prince George Principals' and Vice-Principals' Association
- Simpcw First Nation



ACCESS TO THE BOARD

“Special meetings” are Board meetings called to deal with specific items.

“Standing committees” are regular committees of the Board, which are generally comprised of three trustees, appointed annually, who meet with staff and representatives of Rightsholder and Stakeholder to receive information, review and make recommendations to the Board as per Bylaw No. 1

Responsibility Centre: Superintendent of Schools & Secretary Treasurer
References: *School Act*, Section 85, Bylaw No. 1



ACCESS TO THE BOARD

PREAMBLE

Practices and procedures need to be in place to facilitate effective public access to the Board.

Approved: 1999.01.26



ACCESS TO THE BOARD**REGULATIONS:**1. Formal Presentations

- 1.1. Individuals or groups may make presentations to the Board or its committees
- 1.2. The Board Chairperson, in consultation with trustees, may direct any formal presentation to one of the Board's committees.
- 1.3. The Board Chairperson, or the chairperson of a committee, in consultation with trustees, reserves the right to decline any request to make a formal presentation.
- 1.4. Generally, the Board will defer any decision on a presentation until trustees have had sufficient time for study and discussion. Presenters will be informed by the office of the Secretary Treasurer when the topic will be placed on a future Board meeting agenda.

2. Informal Presentations

- 2.1. One half hour at the beginning of any regular or special public Board meeting, except an inaugural meeting, will be set aside to receive informal public input. In compliance with the *School Act*, in camera items such as land, legal, contractual and personnel issues, and those defined by Bylaw No. 1, Section 1.3, must not be addressed during this time period.
- 2.2. Time will be set aside to receive informal input from Rightsholder and Stakeholder groups during or immediately following the public input session. In compliance with the *School Act*, in camera items such as land, legal, contractual and personnel issues and those defined in Bylaw No. 1, Section 1.3, must not be addressed during this time period.

Approved: 1981.11.16

Revised: 1995.09.12, 2001.11.27, 2002.11.26, 2003.09.30, 2020.09.29



ACCESS TO THE BOARD**ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES:****1. Formal Presentations**

- 1.1. Individuals or groups wishing to make a formal presentation to the Board of Education must contact the Secretary Treasurer's office.
- 1.2. Individuals or groups wishing to make a formal presentation to one of the Board's standing committees must contact the chair of the committee.
- 1.3. Presenters shall make themselves known by name.
- 1.4. The Secretary Treasurer's office will notify the individual or groups of their inclusion on a Board agenda.
- 1.5. The committee chairperson, or designate, will notify the individual or group of their inclusion on a committee agenda.
- 1.6. An individual or group making a presentation to the Board or a committee may do so in writing, although a written submission is not required.
- 1.7. Once the presentation is completed and trustees have had an opportunity for questions, it is in order for the group to remain or leave the meeting.

2. Informal Presentations

- 2.1. Individuals or groups wishing to make an informal presentation to the Board at the beginning of a regular or special Board meeting must identify themselves and the issue(s) to be presented on a speakers' list posted 15 minutes prior to the Board meeting.
- 2.2. Each speaker from the public will be allowed five minutes to make comments, to a maximum of 30 minutes. At the discretion of the Chairperson, additional time may be allotted.
- 2.3. One representative from each Rightsholder and Stakeholder groups will also be allowed five minutes to make comments.

Approved: 1981.11.16

Revised: 1995.09.12, 2001.11.27, 2002.11.26, 2003.09.30, 2020.09.29



SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 57 (PRINCE GEORGE)

February 8, 2022

MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Education

FROM: Policy and Governance Committee

SUBJECT: **ANTI-RACISM, ANTI-DISCRIMINATION POLICY
DEVELOPMENT GROUP**

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Terms of Reference for the Anti-Racism,
Anti-Decimation Policy Development Group be received

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BACKGROUND

1. On February 8, 2022 the Policy and Governance Committee reviewed and approved the proposed terms of reference of the Anti-Racism, Anti-Discrimination Policy Development Group and is providing to the Board for information.

ANTI-RACISM, ANTI-DISCRIMINATION POLICY DEVELOPMENT GROUP

PURPOSE

To revise Policy 4116.14 Multiculturalism, Racial Harmony and Anti-Racism.

SCOPE

- Review current Policy 4116.14
- Review other policies from across the province for exemplars
- Ensure suggested revisions align with the provincial K-12 Anti-Racism Education Action Plan
- Make recommendations to the Policy and Governance Committee for a draft revised policy

MEMBERSHIP

Superintendent of Schools

Trustee (2)

Lheidli T'enneh First Nation (2)

McLeod Lake Indian Band (2)

Simpcw First Nation (2)

Metis BC (2)

Immigration and Multicultural Services Society (IMSS) (2)

Human Resources (2)

CUPE 3742 (2)

PGPVPA (2)

CUPE 4991 (2)

PGDTA (2)

District Parent Advisory Council (2)

District Student Advisory Council (2)

CHAIRPERSON

Superintendent of Schools

MEETINGS AND TIMELINES

The Policy Development Group will meet bi-weekly and report to the Policy and Governance Committee by April 30, 2022.

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 57 (PRINCE GEORGE)

March 2, 2022

MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Education

FROM: Lee Karpenko
Assistant Superintendent

SUBJECT: **2022/23 DISTRICT CALENDAR**

RECOMMENDATION

That the proposed local school calendar for
2022-2023 be approved as presented.

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BACKGROUND

1. The Ministry of Education's School Calendar Regulation specifies that "A board must make public a proposed school calendar one month before submitting it to the ministry."
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The committee reviewed the BC School Calendar Regulations. The Committee reviewed the proposed placement of the Non Instructional Days as per the Calendar Regulations, specifically ensuring Regulation 8.2 Designation of purpose of non-instructional days and periods, were met.

The Rightsholder and Stakeholder group representatives agreed to consult with their members and solicit input regarding the draft calendar.

5. The committee met again on March 2, 2022 to review the input and feedback from Rightsholder and Stakeholder groups.
6. The Ministry of Education's School Calendar Regulation permits school district's to change the date of non-instructional days without a formal amendment process.

RATIONALE:

1. In accordance with the School Calendar Regulation, the public has had a month to provide input prior to the Board approving the calendar. Input was solicited through the district's website and from the Board's education Rightsholders and Stakeholders groups.

LK/jc

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 57 (PRINCE GEORGE)

DRAFT**2022-2023 SCHOOL CALENDAR**

Spring Break: March 13-24
 Last day of school: June 29
 # of NID's = 6

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August 1: BC Day

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September 5: Labour Day
 September 6: First Day of School
 September 19: Non-Instructional - Indigenous Day of Learning
 September 20: First full day of Kindergarten
 September 30: Day of Truth and Reconciliation

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October 10: Thanksgiving
 October 21: Non Instructional Day - Provincial

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November 11: Remembrance Day
 November 25: Non Instructional Day

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December 19 - 30: Winter vacation
 December 26: Christmas Day stat observed
 December 27: Boxing Day stat observed

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January 2: New Years Day stat observed
 January 3: Back to school

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February 1: Non Instructional Day
 February 20: Family Day

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March 13-24: Spring break

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April 7 : Good Friday
 April 10: Easter Monday
 April 28: Non Instructional Day

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May 22: Victoria Day
 May 29: Non Instructional Day

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June 23: National Indigenous Peoples Day Events
 June 29: Last day of school
 June 30: Administrative day

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July 3: Canada Day stat observed

LEGEND:

 School/Statutory Holidays
 Non-Instructional Days

Grade K		Grades 1-7		Grades 8-12	
Instructional Days	179	Instructional Days	179	Instructional Days	179
Minutes / year	51180	Minutes / year	52680	Minutes / year	57120
1st day mins	60	1st day mins	90	1st day mins	90
Mins per day	286	Mins per day	294	Mins per day	319

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 57 (PRINCE GEORGE)

March 2, 2022

MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Education

FROM: Lee Karpenko
Assistant Superintendent

SUBJECT: **2023/24 DISTRICT CALENDAR**

RECOMMENDATION

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2023-2024 be approved as presented.

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BACKGROUND

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SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 57 (PRINCE GEORGE)

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August 7: BC Day

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October 9: Thanksgiving
 October 20: Non Instructional Day - Provincial

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November 10: Remembrance Day
 Observed
 November 24: Non Instructional Day

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January 1: New Years Day
 January 8: Back to school
 January 31: Non Instructional Day

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April 1: Easter Monday
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May 20: Victoria Day

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SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 57 (PRINCE GEORGE)

MEMORANDUM

February 22, 2022

TO: Board of Education

FROM: Trustee Polillo

SUBJECT: **BRITISH COLUMBIA SCHOOL TRUSTEES' ASSOCIATION**

The entire Board took part in the BCSTA Northern Interior Branch Annual General meeting on Saturday February 5th. The morning Zoom conference included a business meeting with Election of Officers, Committee/Board reports and new business. We also had a successful MLA Forum with Jennifer Rice (North Coast), Mike Bernier (Peace River South), Dan Davies (Peace River North), Mike Morris (Prince George- Mackenzie), Shirley Bond (Prince George- Valemount) and Lorne Doerkson (Cariboo- Chilcotin).

On Saturday February 12th, I represented SD57 at the virtual BCSTA Provincial Council Business meeting. The meeting included oral and written reports from the President, the Chief Executive Officer and BCSTA Standing Committee Reports.

We had a Motion Tracking Database update and passed the draft BCSTA Budget for 2022/2023. No motions were submitted to Provincial Council for discussion.

Our next meeting will be the Annual General Meeting in April.

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 57 (PRINCE GEORGE)

MEMORANDUM

February 22, 2022

TO: Board of Education

FROM: Trustee Warrington

SUBJECT: **DISTRICT PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL**

The District Parent Advisory Council met on February 7th 2022 6:30 pm. Partner representatives joined the meeting at 7:30. The meeting was held virtually through Microsoft Teams.

The theme of the February meeting was on 'Catchment and Capacity'. There were no partner group presentations this month instead there was a round table of presentations, discussion and questions on catchment and capacity in School District 57.

Secretary Treasurer Darleen Patterson presented information on the catchment and capacity work that is currently taking place. She spoke to the on-going work and plans for additional consultation including the establishment of a 'Long Range Facility Use Committee' to consider many of the challenges identified by the Expanded Committee of the Whole Catchment and Capacity Review Rightsholder and Stakeholder Advisory Committee.

The Committee provided its report to the Board at the Public Board Meeting of January 25th 2022.

Questions discussed and responded to were:

- What are the capacity questions, concerns and experiences you have had as a parent at the school/ s your family attends?
- What questions do you have around how catchment is determined in SD57?
- What do you see as the short-term as well long-term challenges with capacity facing our district?
- What have you seen or heard from other districts that you think may be helpful for our districts?

DPAC's next meeting will be held on March 7th via online Microsoft Teams.

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 57 (PRINCE GEORGE)

MEMORANDUM

February 22, 2022

TO: Board of Education

FROM: Trustee Warrington

SUBJECT: **INDIGENOUS EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

The Indigenous Education Advisory Committee met virtually on February 14th from 9 am – 11 am via Zoom.

Reports from liaisons to board committees / board / other advisory committees were shared, followed by round table reports from committee members present. The reports included information sharing from, Takla Nation, Metis Nation BC, Prince George District Teachers Association and Canadian Union of Public Employees.

Following the report(s)/presentations:

- The committee reviewed its Terms of Reference. After considerable discussion on the extension of members to the committee, the Terms of Reference were tabled to the next meeting of the committee.
- Information was received on the action item from previous minutes on the committee name change and status. Further action on this item was tabled until the next meeting of the committee.
- Stephane Thompson presented the monthly PowerPoint on the budget and responded to questions. Discussion included proposed use of the surplus.

Plans for Indigenous Ts'udelhti (We Honor) grad ceremonies were discussed. More to come.

The meeting was concluded at 11 am

Next meeting will be held on April 11th from 9 am via zoom.

Important date noted February 24th Grad Path 2022- 2023 Information can be found on the Indigenous Education Department website.

Families of Indigenous children who are currently attending or will be attending Secondary School in the 2022/23 school year are invited by zoom on Thursday Feb 24th at 7:00 pm for an overview on the following:

- BC Graduation Plan
- Course Selection, Dual Credit Courses, Skills, Trades, 'careers
- Scholarship and Bursaries
- Pathways for Post-Secondary (UNBC and CNC)

Co-hosted by:

- Indigenous Education Director of Instruction, Pam Spooner
- Inclusive Education Director, Lisa Horswell
- Curriculum Innovation Director of Instruction, Deb Kaban
- Community Post-Secondary: UNBC, CNC, and others

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 57 (PRINCE GEORGE)

MEMORANDUM

January 22, 2022

TO: Board of Education

FROM: Trustee Bekkering

SUBJECT: **TRUSTEE REPORT – FEBRUARY 2022**

January 31st

Attended the 1:00pm Capstone presentations at DPSS. Enjoyed walking to all the presentations and listening to the Grade 12's talk about their passions and interests. For many, these will be lifelong pursuits.

December/January/February

I was the "Trustee Observer" for the local bargaining sessions with the PGDTA. I thank the Union and the Employer for this opportunity.

February

Since making my drum at a workshop with the Indigenous Education Department. I have made good use of it by attending several of the "Welcoming Drumming Circles" held at a different school each weekday. I have lost count of how many! I'd like to say I do it for the students and the school. But, I think I do it for myself! It is a wonderful, uplifting way to begin a day and I encourage you all to try it!

February 5th

Attended the Northern Interior Branch meeting of the BCSTA. It was virtually but a way to meet with all of our fellow Trustees in the North. Although a much shortened Branch meeting we covered a lot of business and the highlights were a Q&A session with 5 of our Northern MLA's and working together on motions to bring forward to the provincial AGM of the BCSTA in Vancouver.

February 9th

Attended the DP Todd Family of Schools meeting on Zoom. It was another exceptional sharing of the great work the Family is doing of incorporating the pillars of the Strategic Plan into the curriculum! I thank all the schools for their hard work!

February 15th

The Board of Education and Senior Administration attended the first historical meeting of the Indigenous Education Leadership Table (IELT) made up of leaders from the Lheidli T'enneh First Nation and McLeod Lake Indian Band. The purpose of the meeting was to establish common ground on leading the policy and political work that supports Indigenous students in SD57. There was unanimous support to move forward on this work!

Respectfully submitted, Betty Bekkering

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 57 (PRINCE GEORGE)

MEMORANDUM

February 22, 2022

TO: Board of Education

FROM: Trustee Polillo

SUBJECT: **TRUSTEE REPORT – FEBRUARY 2022**

January 26th
Calendar Committee Meeting (Zoom)

January 28th
Superintendent Announcement Meeting (Zoom)
School visit at Blackburn Elementary School

February 2nd
Meeting with Special Advisors, Senior Staff and Provincial Outcomes Team

February 4th
Committee Appointment Meeting

February 5th
BCSTA- Northern Interior Branch Annual General Meeting (Zoom)

February 7th
Education Services Committee Meeting (Zoom)

February 8th
Policy and Governance Committee Meeting (Zoom)

February 9th
Calendar Committee Meeting (Zoom)
DP Todd Family of Schools Meeting (Zoom)

February 10th
Special Advisor Report Workshop with Staff

February 12th
BCSTA Provincial Council Business Meeting (Zoom)

February 14th
Management and Finance Committee Meeting (Zoom)

February 15th
Indigenous Leadership Table meeting- in person
Education Programs and Planning Committee meeting (Zoom)

February 16th
Calendar Committee Meeting (Zoom)

February 22nd
Regular Public Board Meeting

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 57 (PRINCE GEORGE)

MEMORANDUM

February 22, 2022

TO: Board of Education

FROM: Trustee Warrington

SUBJECT: **TRUSTEE REPORT – FEBRUARY 2022**

Another very busy month. During the last week of January and first three weeks of February, I attended and participated in the following meetings and events:

January 26 -27: BC Public Schools Employers Association AGM, and BCPSEA Board of Directors meeting by Zoom

February 2: Trustees, Senior Team, Special Advisors and Outcomes Team representatives meeting in person

February 5: Northern Interior Branch Annual General Meeting- Included MLA Forum, Motion development for BCSTA AGM and the branch business meeting

February 7:

- District Parent Advisory Committee by Microsoft Teams
- Education Services Committee by Zoom

February 8: Policy and Governance Committee by Zoom

February 9: D. P. Todd Family of Schools meeting by Zoom

February 10: Implementation Planning Workshop by Zoom

February 14:

- Indigenous Education Advisory Committee by Zoom
- Management and Finance Committee of the Whole by Zoom

February 15:

- Indigenous Education Leadership Table meeting, in person
- Education Programs and Planning Committee by Zoom

February 16:

- Agenda planning for the February 22nd regular public Board and Senior Administration meetings, in person
- BCPSEA Board of Directors meeting by Zoom

February 17: Meeting with Senior Team and Special Advisors by Zoom

February 18: BCSTA Board Chair Check in by Zoom

February 22: Board /Senior Team and regular public Board meetings, in person



SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 57 (PRINCE GEORGE)

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January 25, 2022

First People's Cultural Council
1A Boat Ramp Rd.
Brentwood Bay, BC
V8M 1N9

Attention: Karen Aird

Dear First Peoples Cultural Council,

Re: ABCDC Smoke House Project

SD57 is in full support of the Smoke House Project proposed by the Prince George Aboriginal Business and Community Development Association. This is a wonderful opportunity for our community to come together and create cultural spaces to practice Indigenous culture and share Indigenous knowledge with our students, families, staff and community. We would be delighted to host some of the proposed smoke houses at some schools as deemed appropriate between the district and ABCDC.

The impact of this project for SD57 includes:

- Building community relationships with local organizations and community members
- Engaging students, teachers, support staff, local Elders and community members with authentic Indigenous knowledge around food preparation, stories, traditions, culture and belief systems
- Learning that aligns with the First Peoples Principles of Learning and local Dakelh Holistic Lifelong Learning Model
- Encouraging healthy eating and lifestyles as well as protocols around respect and sustainability
- Enacting the space as a hub and teaching tool for understanding Indigenous ways of knowing and being as interconnected with the environment while operating in a holistic way as an interconnected community of support
- Creating space for our SD57 Land-Based and Project Based programs such as the History and Wilderness Knowledge (HAWK), the Prince George Secondary School's Experiential Project-based Indigenous Community Program (EPIC), Project-Based Learning (PBL), Montessori and any students engaging with these programs through their school based Indigenous Education Workers and classrooms
- High school shop classes will have the opportunity to contribute to the construction of the smoke houses and gain additional access to Indigenous knowledge through their engagement with the project

We thank you for considering this project and look forward to working with the Aboriginal Business and Community Development Centre to make this project possible. Please feel free to reach out if you have any questions regarding our support for this project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sharel Warrington". The script is cursive and fluid, with the first name "Sharel" and last name "Warrington" clearly distinguishable.

Sharel Warrington, Chair,
Board of Education



National Defence
The Rocky Mountain Rangers
J.R. Vicars Armoury
PO Box 3250
Kamloops BC
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26 January 2022

School District 57
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Board Chair and Trustees of School District 57,

Please find enclosed for your review and consideration, a short list of opportunities for collaboration between School District 57 and The Rocky Mountain Rangers (RM RANG) as we move in 2022 to celebrate the 10-year anniversary of our return to the City of Prince George.

The RM RANG and its lineage have a rich history having contributed to Canadian military operations reaching back to 1898. From 1946 to 1970, the RM RANG was proud to have a solid foot print in Prince George but due to changing needs and priorities that foot print was not present in the region for some time after 1970. In February of 2011 it was announced that the RM RANG would be reinvesting in the community by bringing back a rifle company (Bravo Company) to Prince George. Today, the RM RANG continue successful recruiting efforts in the community and we enjoy a healthy level of participation from our soldiers. We currently employ around 60 members in the region and have the capacity to offer another 60 or so positions to suitable candidates in Prince George. We are also very pleased to have found a home in the former Meadow Elementary School for a period now nearing a decade.

Why is this year important to the regiment, simply stated, this is the 10th anniversary of our return to the City of Prince George. As such, we are looking to further cement the excellent work done by local leaders to ensure the continued success of Bravo Company and set ourselves up for success over the coming decades. With that in mind, I respectfully request for specific support to the upcoming anniversary. We have identified three areas where we would like to offer the opportunity for community involvement and or request the support of your dynamic team.

- 1) Gala Dinner: The capstone of the anniversary is a Gala Dinner on the 28th of May 2022. While Covid-19 is an evolving factor we are pressing ahead with planning this event. We would be honored if you would mark your calendars and a set of formal invitations will follow.

- 2) Support to Projects: The Regiment would like to raise these two following items with you to see if there are synergies or direct supports that might be found. The intent is to raise these now and to follow up with a meeting in the coming months.

Signage Installation: We are currently working with the provincial government on signage along the highway on the four routes into Prince George. We are also working with the city to have ourselves added to signage within the city, similar to UNBC and CNC as example. We would very much like to work with the school district on signage and a flagpole at the leased facility on Dornbierer Crescent.

Here support is requested in two manners,

- 1) The opportunity to work with your staff to identify the best location and implementation of a flag pole and entrance sign / display and the subsequent permission to execute the plan.
- 2) Material support as practical should the district have some or all of the materials on hand to complete the project.

Sharing our Name: We would also like to explore the possibility of sharing our name with the former Meadow Elementary adjoining grounds (soccer field) separate from Moore's Meadow. Our members would be keen to show even greater pride of ownership if something could be arranged and would work with the city to see that appropriate park signage was installed.

- 3) Educational Experiences: As a long term goal we would like to work with an appropriate member of your staff to investigate the opportunity of a cooperative program, similar to the RCMP youth academy as example.

I ask for these supports as we are intent on being 'here to stay' in the community. We look forward to building a lasting legacy in Prince George and the region and are eager to partner when possible to enhance the relationship between School District 57 and, we your tenant, The Rocky Mountain Rangers.

In the coming months, Captain Eric Depenau, will act as the local point of contact for the contents herein but I remain available to you at any time. All the best to your board as you advance into 2022 and we look forward to discussing these items further at your convenience.

Kindest regards,



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March 3, 2022

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Dear Minister Whiteside:

Thank you for accepting our invitation for a visit to School District 57. We note that you are not available until the week of March 21st, unfortunately the school district's Spring Break is between March 14th and 26th. We would like to suggest the week of April 11th as an alternative timeframe.

During your visit we would like to show you and attending staff some of our district highlights, the most notable being the newly operational Shas Ti Kelly Road Secondary School. Our hope for this visit is to have an official opening of this new facility and it would be our honour to have you cut the ribbon.

We would also like to include in your visit, a guided tour of Ecole Heather Park, one of our dual-track English/French elementary schools, and our Indigenous culture choice-school Nusdeh Yoh Elementary.

Please advise if the suggested week of April 11th is possible, or let us know if a different date might work better. Apart from spring break, we are open to alternatives.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Sharel Warrington". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Sharel Warrington, Chair
Board of Education

*Respecting the beautiful unceded ancestral lands, culture and people of the
Lheidli T'enneh First Nation, McLeod Lake Indian Band and Simpcw First Nation.*