
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
Darleen Patterson, Secretary Treasurer
Diane Nygaard, Executive Assistant (Recorder)

In Attendance:

Lee Karpenko, Assistant Superintendent
Pam Spooner, Indigenous Assistant Superintendent

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 4:02 p.m.

2. **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL TERRITORY**

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

3. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

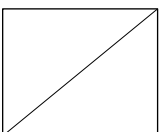
MOVED and SECONDED

That the agenda be revised to include the consideration of a Letter of Support for the Northern BC Crime Stoppers for approval by the Board as item 12.2.

CARRIED

4. **SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS**

The Trustees provided positive comments related to recent school events within the district.



5. **PRESENTATION**

Trustee Polillo acknowledged the following Trustees in recognition of their service to public education on behalf of the British Columbia Trustees Association:

- Betty Bekkering – Two Terms
- Tim Bennett - Three Terms
- Sharel Warrington – Five Terms

6. **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

6.1 Regular Public Meeting of September 27 , 2022

MOVED and SECONDED

That the minutes of the regular public meeting of September 27, 2022 be approved as presented.

CARRIED

6.2 Record of Minutes of Regular and Special In Camera Meetings

MOVED and SECONDED

That the record of the in camera meetings be approved as presented:

- September 26, 2022 Regular In Camera
- September 26, 2022 Special In Camera at 4:00 p.m.
- September 26, 2022 Special In Camera at 4:10 p.m.

CARRIED

7. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

None.

8. **OLD BUSINESS**

None.

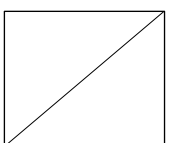
9. **BUSINESS COMMITTEE**

9.1 Committee Report

MOVED and SECONDED

That the report of the Business Committee meeting held on October 11, 2022 be received.

CARRIED



10. **BOARD EDUCATION COMMITTEE**

10.1 Committee Report

MOVED and SECONDED

That the report of the Board Education Committee meeting held on October 4, 2022 be received.

CARRIED

11. **ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

11.1 Committee Report

Trustee Polillo assumed the Chair for the following recommendations presented by Trustee Warrington.

MOVED and SECONDED

That the report of the Advisory Committee meeting held on October 18, 2022 be received.

CARRIED

11.2 Advisory Committee Feedback Process

MOVED and SECONDED

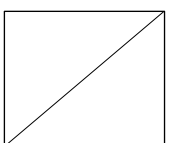
That Superintendent Heitman work with the Chair of the Board and the Chair of the Advisory Committee to develop a method for receiving feedback on the Advisory Committee's processes,

And

That this recommendation be included as part of the feedback received during the 60-day consultation period for Policy 8 Board Committees approved in principle by the Board at its regular public meeting on June 22, 2022.

CARRIED

Trustee Warrington re-assumed the Chair.



12. **NEW BUSINESS**

12.1 November 8, 2022 Board Education Committee and November 29, 2022 Public Board Meeting

MOVED and SECONDED

That the Board Education Committee meeting scheduled for November 8, 2022 be re-scheduled to December 6, 2022

And

That the Public Board Meeting scheduled for November 29, 2022 be cancelled to allow new Trustees the opportunity to attend and participate in School District orientation and the British Columbia School Trustees Association New Trustee Orientation & Academy before holding a Public Board Meeting.

CARRIED

12.2 Letter of Support – Northern BC Crime Stoppers

MOVED and SECONDED

That the Board of Education approves the draft letter to the Prince George Community Foundation and Interior Saving Credit Union in support of the Northern BC Crime Stoppers' application for the Spruce Credit Union Legacy Fund Grant as presented.

CARRIED

Trustee Polillo abstained from the vote due to a non-pecuniary conflict of interest.

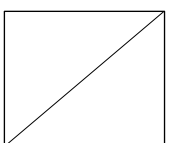
13. **DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION REPORTS**

13.1 Superintendent of Schools

The Superintendent advised that the district has posted a questionnaire on its website and through social media requesting feedback on how the district is doing regarding its Strategic Plan direction and goals.

The Superintendent provided a PowerPoint presentation on the report that was prepared for the Minister of Education and Child Care providing an update on how the district is doing related to the Special Advisors' recommendations.

Ms. Heitman responded to questions from the Trustees.



14. **TRUSTEE REPORTS**

14.1 BC School Trustees' Association

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

14.2 BC Public School Employers' Association

None.

14.3 District Parent Advisory Council

The Superintendent provided an overview of the District Parent Advisory Council meeting held on October 3, 2022.

14.4 District Student Advisory Council

Trustee Polillo provided an overview of the District Student Advisory Council meeting held on October 11, 2022.

14.5 Indigenous Education Leadership Table

The Board Chair reviewed the report that was included in the agenda package.

14.6 Trustee Activity Reports

14.6.1 Trustee Polillo

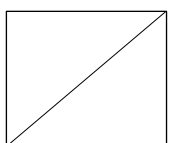
Trustee Polillo drew attention to the report included in the agenda package.

14.6.2 Trustee Warrington

Trustee Warrington reviewed the report that was provided as a handout.

14.6.3 Other Trustees

Trustees spoke positively regarding their time served on the Board of Education as their current term concludes on November 7, 2022.



15. **CORRESPONDENCE**

The Board Chair drew the Board's attention to the following correspondence that was included in the agenda package:

- o Letter dated September 27, 2022 to the Ministry of Education and Child Care regarding the 2021/2022 Under-Expenditure of the Indigenous Education Targeted Grant

16. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Chairperson

Secretary Treasurer

