
Present:

Rachael Weber, Chair
Craig Brennan, Vice Chair
Cory Antrim, Trustee
Betty Bekkering, Trustee
Gillian Burnett, Trustee
Erica McLean, Trustee
Bob Thompson, Trustee

Cindy Heitman, Superintendent of Schools
Darleen Patterson, Secretary Treasurer
Diane Nygaard, Executive Assistant (Recorder)

In Attendance:

Kap Manhas, Assistant Superintendent
Lee Karpenko, Assistant Superintendent
Pam Spooner, Indigenous Assistant Superintendent

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 4:01 p.m.

2. **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL TERRITORY**

The Board Chair 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**

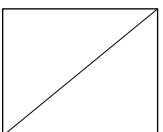
MOVED and SECONDED

That the Board waive Policy 7 – Board Operations clauses 3.15. -
Development of Regular Public Meeting Agenda and 5.2.1 - Public
Remarks;

and

That the Board adds the Public Remarks Related to the Board Meeting to
precede item 4. School District News on tonight's Regular Public Meeting
Agenda.

CARRIED



MOVED and SECONDED

That the agenda be approved as amended.

CARRIED

4. **PUBLIC REMARKS**

Daryl Beauregard representing the Prince George District Teachers' Association reviewed the letter dated January 12, 2023 from the PGDTA to the Board Chair regarding their concerns related to the Board meeting of December 13, 2022.

Laura Weller representing the District Parent Advisory Council spoke in support of proceeding with the renaming and redesigning of the school district and requested that the Board continues with the process during the next fiscal year

5. **SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS**

Trustee Bekkering reported that Angie Delaney has been elected to the British Columbia School Trustees Association Board of Directors.

6. **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

6.1 Regular Public Meeting of December 13, 2022

MOVED and SECONDED

That the minutes of the regular public meeting of December 13, 2022 be approved as presented.

CARRIED

6.2 Record of Minutes of Regular and Special In Camera Meetings

MOVED and SECONDED

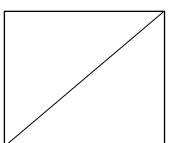
That the record of the in camera meetings be approved as presented:

- December 12, 2022 at 4 p.m. Special In Camera
- December 12, 2022 at 4:15 p.m. Special In Camera
- December 12, 2022 Regular In Camera

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 January 17, 2023 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 January 10, 2023 be received.

CARRIED

10.2 Board Authority Authorized Course – Cultural Connections 12 Re-Approval

MOVED and SECONDED

That Cultural Connections 12 be re-approved as a Board Authority Authorized course to meet the new graduation requirements.

CARRIED

11. **ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

11.1 Committee Report

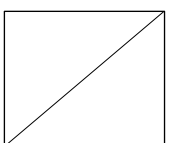
MOVED and SECONDED

That the report of the Advisory Committee meeting held on January 24, 2023 be received.

CARRIED

12. **NEW BUSINESS**

None.



13. DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION REPORTS**13.1 Superintendent of Schools**

The Superintendent provided a PowerPoint presentation on the following:

- Overview of the District
 - o Student Enrolment Over Time
- Strategic Plan Review
 - o What have we learned so far?
 - o Literacy and Numeracy
 - o Wellness
 - o Grade to Grade Transition
- Anti-Racism Action Plan
- Communicating Student Learning
 - o Student Reporting
- Looking ahead to next month

The Superintendent responded to questions from the Trustees.

14. TRUSTEE REPORTS**14.1 BC School Trustees' Association**

Trustee McLean provided an overview of the recent Northern Interior Branch Annual General Meeting held in Prince George on January 20 and 21, 2023. Ms. McLean noted that the next BCSTA Provincial Council meeting will be held in Vancouver on February 24 and 25, 2023.

14.2 BC Public School Employers' Association

Trustee Bekkering provided an overview of the Annual General Meeting held in Vancouver on January 26 and 27, 2023.

14.3 District Parent Advisory Council

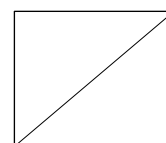
Trustee Antrim provided an overview of the January 9, 2023 meeting. The theme of the partner group questions/reports and discussion was Mental Health and Family Resources.

14.4 District Student Advisory Council

None.

14.5 Indigenous Education Leadership Table

None.



14.6 Trustee Activity Reports

14.6.1 Trustee Bekkering

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

14.6.2 Trustee McLean

Trustee McLean drew attention to the report included in the agenda package and commented regarding the Board's guiding principles related to Rightsholder and Stakeholder groups.

14.6.3 Other Trustees

None.

15. **CORRESPONDENCE**

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

- Letter of Response dated December 12, 2022 from the Minister of Education and Child Care regarding Mackenzie Elementary School
- Letter of Support dated December 12, 2022 for the Lheidli T'enneh First Nation's application to the First Peoples Cultural Council

16. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 5:03 p.m.

Chairperson

Secretary Treasurer

