

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 51 (BOUNDARY)

Open Meeting of the Board of Education

January 17, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

Minutes

The Chairperson called the meeting to order 6:04 p.m.

Present:	R. Zitko	Chair
	B. Bird	Vice Chair
	J. Massey	Trustee
	M. Danyluk	Trustee
	S. Hall	Trustee
	L. Van Marck	Trustee
	K. Jepsen	Trustee
	A. Lautard	Superintendent
	M. Burdock	Secretary-Treasurer

Absent: Nil

Acknowledgement of the Indigenous peoples and ancestors.

Adoption of Agenda

MOVED Massey
2ND Bird

[“That the Agenda for January 17, 2023, be adopted as amended.”](#)

CARRIED

Adoption of Minutes

MOVED Massey
2ND Danyluk

[“That the December 13, 2022, Regular Board Meeting minutes be adopted as circulated.”](#)

CARRIED

Correspondence

Business Items

1. Strategic Plan Update

- Student Trustee Taylor Ramsey provided an update from BCSS
- Superintendent Lautard provided update on GFSS student advisory council
- Superintendent Lautard presented the Strategic Plan Update
 - Attended an in-depth round table discussion about student concerns around the idea of belonging

- Presented the Data Talk District Reading Assessment
- Presented the How Are We Doing: Aboriginal Performance Data Report

2. Update on Sexual Orientation & Gender Identity (SOGI)

- Superintendent Lautard provided an update on SOGI
 - Reviewed the current initiatives and supports within SD51 as well as our challenges and next steps

3. Committee Reports

FINANCE

- Secretary Treasurer Burdock presented the Expenditure Report
 - Salaries are tracking out of alignment due to the annual budget not including negotiated wage increases
 - Supplies and Services – OLRC adjustment has been moved from Due and Fees
 - Deficit in furniture and equipment due to large purchases being made at the end of last school year, but not received until July 2022
 - Categories which will need adjustments in amended budget: Substitutes and Supplies (custodial and fuel)
- Secretary Treasurer Burdock provided the 2022/2023 Budget Update
 - Recalculated Operating Grant increased by \$217,910
 - Draft Amended Budget – taken from original with updated staffing. Salaries have not been updated as the Ministry has not announced wage settlement funding.
- Secretary Treasurer Burdock provided the Budget 2023/24 Process/Timeline
 - Discussion around the structure of World Café

OPERATIONS

- Secretary Treasurer Burdock provided the Long-Range Facilities Plan Update
 - Quotes from Cascade Facilities Management and from Stantek
- Secretary Treasurer Burdock presented the briefing note

MOVED
2ND Danyluk
 Massey

[“ In accordance with provisions under section 142 \(4\) of the School Act, the Board of Education of School District No. 51 \(Boundary\) hereby approves the proposed Five-Year Capital Plan \(Minor Capital Programs\) Amendment for 2022/23, as provided on the Five-Year Capital Plan Summary for 2022/23 submitted to the Ministry of Education and Child Care.”](#)

CARRIED

POLICY

4. Consultation on proposed reconfiguration of Big White Community School

- Superintendent Lautard provided a staffing update class routines and structures
- Board Chair Zitko provided an update from joint committee meetings
 - Seven students lost due to no housing options
 - Lacking group initiative/support amongst Big White families
 - Survey being sent out to gather information
 - Stats show that students want to move school once they get older

5. BCPSEA AGM – Resolutions, Budget, and Audited Financial Statements

- Trustee Danyluk shared proposed ordinary resolutions and proposed special resolutions
- Trustee Danyluk provides budget update
 - Increased funding needed
 - Decreasing governance due to zoom meetings
 - Have added in-house legal counsel to reduce costs

6. Board Chair Report

- Board Chair Zitko reminds everyone about the webinars being held on the role of boards, ethical government and success and strategic planning being held by the Ministry of Education and Childcare and BCSTA
- Cindy Strukoff is willing to facilitate an information session for parents to coordinate a DPAC

7. Senior Management Reports

- Superintendent Lautard presented her report for December 2022
 - Highlight in December was the career life education with Jessica Erixon and Matt Grey classes
 - Proposed school calendars will be sent out to schools and parents' tomorrow
- Secretary Treasurer Burdock presented her report for December 2022
 - Highlights the operation section as winter break was taxing on the maintenance department

8. Trustee Reports

- Boundary Indigenous Education Advisory Committee – No update available
- BCSTA Provincial Council – Trustee Bird read a proposed BCSTA motion regarding travel policy and provided related rationale.

MOVED Massey
2ND Bird

[“That the BCSTA amend its Policy on Travel Expenses to allow claimants to claim hotel costs and meal expenses when travelling the same day of a meeting or conference is challenging due to geographic and/or weather factors.”](#)

CARRIED

- Rec Commission – Trustee Bird reported out
- Boundary Integrated Services Model – Superintendent Lautard reported out
- BCSTA Kootenay Boundary Branch – No update available
- BCPSEA – No update available
- PAC Highlights – Trustee Hall reported out
- Okanagan Labour Relations Council – No update available
- Community Literacy – No update available
- MES Repurposing Committee – Trustee Danyluk reported out
- Big White Joint Committee – Board Chair Zitko reported out

9. Around the Boundary

Future Agenda Items

- Consultation on proposed reconfiguration of Big White Community School
- Proposed name change for GES

Meeting adjourned at 9:16 p.m.



Chairperson



Secretary-Treasurer