

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 51 (BOUNDARY)

Open Meeting of the Board of Education

February 21, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

Minutes

The Chairperson called the meeting to order 6:13 p.m.

Present:	R. Zitko	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: B. Bird Vice Chair

Acknowledgement of the Indigenous peoples and ancestors.

Adoption of Agenda

MOVED Danyluk
2ND Massey

[“That the Agenda for February 21, 2023, be adopted as amended.”](#)

CARRIED

Adoption of Minutes

MOVED Jepsen
2ND Van Marck

[“That the January 17, 2023, Regular Board Meeting minutes be adopted as circulated.”](#)

CARRIED

Correspondence

- Letter from The City of Grand Forks

Business Items

1. Presentations/Discussion

- Meghan McCarron & Zoey Zamec, members of District Youth Advisory Council (DYAC)
 - PowerPoint presentation regarding proposed Youth Centre

2. Strategic Plan Update

- Superintendent Lautard presented the Strategic Plan Update

- Read the student trustee report for BCSS
- Provided an update on engagement process
- Provided an Early Learning and Child Care Update
- Provided data on grade to grade transitions

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
 - Substitute costs are tracking significantly higher than historical averages
 - Unable to fill Big White custodian as well as the IT services manager, contract costs in “Services” vs. salaries
 - Legal costs are tracking high
- Secretary Treasurer Burdock presented the 2022/2023 Amended Budget
 - Total budget is just over \$25 million – an increase of \$2.4 million from the budget passed in June 2022
 - Significant change is the negotiated wage increases of 5.5% for all unionized employees
 - Presented and discussed the changes in special purpose funds
 - Highlighted the affordability plan

MOVED Van Marck
2ND Danyluk

“That the Board unanimously agrees to give the Amended Annual Budget Bylaw all three readings at this meeting of February 21, 2023.”

CARRIED

MOVED Danyluk
2ND Massey

“A Bylaw of the Board of Education of School District No. 51 (Boundary) (called the “Board”) to adopt the Amended Annual Budget of the Board for the fiscal year 2022/2023 pursuant to section 113 of the School Act, R.S.B.C., 1996, c. 412 as amended from time to time (called the “Act”).

1. Board has complied with the provisions of the Act respecting the Amended Annual Budget adopted by this bylaw.
2. This bylaw may be cited as School District No. 51 (Boundary) Amended Annual Budget Bylaw for fiscal year 2022/2023.
3. The attached Statement 2 showing the estimated revenue and expense for the 2022/2023 fiscal year and the total budget bylaw amount of \$25,095,537 for the 2022/2023 fiscal year was prepared in accordance with the Act.
4. Statement 2, 4 and Schedules 1 to 4 are adopted as the Amended Annual Budget of the Board for the fiscal year 2022/2023.

MOVED Hall
2ND Danyluk

CARRIED

“That the Board of Education of School District No. 51 (Boundary) approve the Amended Annual Budget Bylaw for 2022/2023 fiscal year, as read a first, second and third time, passed and adopted the 21st day of February 2023.”

CARRIED

OPERATIONS

- Secretary Treasurer Burdock presented the Capital Plan Bylaw No. 2022/23-CPSD51-02

MOVED Massey
2ND Jepsen

“THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 51 (Boundary) approve having all three readings of the Capital Plan Bylaw No. 2022/23-CPSD51- 02 in this one meeting.”

CARRIED

MOVED Jepsen
2ND Van Marck

“THAT School District No. 51 (Boundary) Capital Plan Bylaw No. 2022/23- CPSD51- 02 be given first reading.”

CARRIED

MOVED Van Marck
2ND Massey

“THAT School District No. 51 (Boundary) Capital Plan Bylaw No. 2022/23- CPSD51- 02 be given second reading.”

CARRIED

MOVED Danyluk
2ND Hall

“THAT School District No. 51 (Boundary) Capital Plan Bylaw No. 2022/23- CPSD51- 02, be given third reading, reconsidered, and finally passed and adopted on this 21st day of February 2023.”

CARRIED

POLICY

- Secretary Treasurer Burdock presented the following motion recommended by the Policy Committee:

MOVED Hall
2ND Danyluk

“That the Board direct senior management staff to engage AZ Cooper Consulting with assisting SD51 in reviewing and revising the district’s policies, with expenses funded through the contingency reserve.”

CARRIED

4. Board Chair Report

- January 19th Board Chair Zitko attended a webinar regarding governance and the role of the trustee
- February 9th Board Chair Zitko attended Board Chair meeting in Vancouver

5. Senior Management Reports

- Superintendent Lautard presented her report for January 2023
 - Reported on the All-Superintendents Meeting
 - School Upcoming Events
- Secretary Treasurer Burdock presented her report for January 2023
 - Reported on the Secretary Treasurers Meeting
 - Reported on enrolment projections for the 2023-24 school year
 - New BCSPEA Trustee Representative needed as conflict of interest exists for trustee Danyluk

MOVED Massey
2ND Van Marck

“That the Board elect Katie Jepsen as the Trustee Representative for BCPSEA and Shannon Hall as the Alternate for 2023.”

CARRIED

6. Trustee Reports

- Boundary Indigenous Education Advisory Committee – Trustee Van Marck reported out
- BCSTA Provincial Council – No update available
- Rec Commission – Board Chair read report from Vice Chair Bird
- Boundary Integrated Services Model – Trustee Massey reported out
- BCSTA Kootenay Boundary Branch – Trustee Massey reported out
- BCPSEA – Trustee Danyluk reported out
- PAC Highlights – Trustees Danyluk, Hall, and Van Marck 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

7. Around the Boundary

Future Agenda Items

- Proposed name change for GES
- School Sound Systems

Meeting adjourned at 8:52 p.m.



Chairperson



Secretary-Treasurer