

# SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 51 (BOUNDARY)

Open Meeting of the Board of Education

April 15, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.

## Minutes

The Chairperson called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

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

Absent: Nil

Acknowledgement of the Indigenous peoples and ancestors.

### Adoption of Agenda

MOVED/SECONDED

*"That the Agenda for April 15, 2025, be adopted as amended."*

CARRIED

### Adoption of Minutes

MOVED/SECONDED

*"That the February 25, 2025, Regular Board Meeting minutes be adopted as amended."*

CARRIED

MOVED/SECONDED

*"That the March 25, 2025, Special Regular Board Meeting minutes be adopted as circulated."*

CARRIED

### Delegations

- Rebecca Lindquist and Raylene Tyssen presented their proposal to install external cameras on school buses to enhance safety and accountability.

## Business Items

### 1. Presentations/Discussion

- Nick Bond – Seeds to Security

### 2. Strategic Plan Update

- Superintendent Lautard introduced the strategic plan update and invited student trustees to share their updates.
  - Elizabeth Tsigonias provided an update for BCSS: English 9 doing a novel study with Greenwood Elementary students, SR woodshop exploring real world building by building a shed, Spirit Club hosted games for April fools, students celebrated April 2nd Autism Awareness Day, Retro Day being planned, Youth Advisory continues to work on getting vending machines and are scouting for new students to join the group, students went to a classical voice competition and a musical theatre voice competition, basketball season ended, soccer and golf team now in full swing.
- Superintendent Lautard presented her Strategic Plan Update for April 2025 highlighting the District science fair

### 3. Committee Reports

#### FINANCE

- Secretary Treasurer Burdock presented the Expenditure Report to March 31/2025 and provided the following highlights:
  - Expecting to see 30% unspent on 10-month costs. Salaries/benefits on track and substitute costs continue to be monitored
- Secretary Treasurer Burdock presented the 2025/26 Preliminary Operating Grant
  - Based on projected enrolment of 1,268, preliminary grant for SD51 is \$20,906,186

#### OPERATIONS

- Superintendent Lautard presented the Long-Range Facilities Plan – Summary of School Surveys
- Secretary Treasurer Burdock presented the Capital Plan Bylaw No. 2025/26-CPSD51- 01

MOVED/SECONDED

“That the Board of Education of School District No. 51 (Boundary) approve having all three readings of the Capital Plan Bylaw No. 2025/26-CPSD51- 01 in this one meeting.”

CARRIED

MOVED/SECONDED

“That School District No. 51 (Boundary) Capital Plan Bylaw No. 2025/26- CPSD51- 01 be given first reading.”

CARRIED

MOVED/SECONDED

“That School District No. 51 (Boundary) Capital Plan Bylaw No. 2025/26- CPSD51- 01 be given second reading.”

CARRIED

MOVED/SECONDED

"That School District No. 51 (Boundary) Capital Plan Bylaw No. 2025/26- CP5D51- 01, be given third reading, reconsidered, and finally passed and adopted on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of April 2025."

CARRIED

**POLICY**

- Trustee Bird presented the *School Act*, Section 11 Appeal Procedures Bylaw No. 3-25 for second reading

MOVED/SECONDED

"That School District No. 51 (Boundary) *School Act*, Section 11 Appeal Procedures Bylaw No. 3-25 be given second reading on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of April 2025."

CARRIED

- Trustee Bird presented four policies to be adopted as recommended by the Policy Committee

MOVED/SECONDED

"That the Board adopt the following policies as recommended by the Policy Committee:

- 520, Signing Authorities (repealing and replacing policy 2030, Signing Authority in the Absence of the Secretary Treasurer or Superintendent; 2040, Signing Authority – Cheques; and 2050, Signing Authority – Legal Documents);
- 550, Public Use of Facilities (repealing and replacing policy 2060, Public Use of Facilities);
- 560, School Closure (repealing and replacing policy 560, School Closure); and
- 561, Disposal of Land and Building (repealing and replacing policy 2005, Disposal of Land and Building)."

CARRIED

- Trustee Bird shared the recommendation of the Policy Committee to extend the circulation period for draft policy 570, Provision of Transportation

MOVED/SECONDED

"That the Board extend the circulation period of draft Policy 570, Provision of Transportation (repealing and replacing policy 5091, Bus Transportation and Walk Limits) until the June 17<sup>th</sup> Board of Education meeting as recommended by the Policy Committee."

CARRIED

**4. Board Chair Report**

- Board Chair Zitko reported on her attendance at the Board Chair meeting in Richmond on March 6<sup>th</sup> and Partner liaison day on March 7<sup>th</sup>

**5. Senior Management Reports**

- Superintendent Lautard presented her report highlighting the All Superintendents meeting, the BC Ombudsperson investigation: Exclusion of K-12 students from BC's public schools and shared the K-12 literacy support initiative update
- Secretary Treasurer Burdock presented her report highlighting the 10% increase in AFG funding for 2025/26 and the ST Only Meeting on March 6<sup>th</sup> discussion on child care

## 6. Trustee Reports

- BCSTA Provincial Council – No meeting to report
- Recreation Commission – Trustee Bird reported out
- Boundary Integrated Services Model – Trustee Van Marck reported out
- BCSTA Kootenay Boundary Branch – No meeting to report
- BCPSEA – Secretary Treasurer Burdock reported out
- PAC Highlights – Trustees Van Marck and Danyluk provided written reports
- Okanagan Labour Relations Council – No meeting to report
- Rural and Remote – No meeting to report

## 7. Around the Boundary

### Future Agenda Items

- External cameras on school buses
- Greenwood StrongStart room

Meeting adjourned at 8:07 p.m.



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Chairperson



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Secretary-Treasurer