School District No. 51 (Boundary)

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of School District No. 51 (Boundary) held Tuesday, November 4, 2014 at the School Board Office

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

Present: Mrs. T. Rezansoff Chairperson

Mrs. C. Riddle Vice Chair
Mrs. V. Gee Trustee
Mr. K. Harshenin Trustee
Mr. D. Reid Trustee
Mrs. C. Strukoff Trustee
Mrs. Rose Zitko Trustee

Mr. K. Argue Superintendent
Mrs. J. Hanlon Secretary-Treasurer
Mr. D. Lacey Director of Learning

Absent: Nil

Presentations/Delegations

- Graham Watts was present to speak to the Board about the Kettle River Watershed.
- Terry Nuyten and several students gave a presentation about the Bamfield field trip.
- Joan Holmes requested that the Board consider beginning each Board Meeting by acknowledging the Aboriginal Nations.
- Nick Bond was present to request that the Board consider BCSS's application for the Sevec Exchange to Quebec trip.

Adoption of Agenda

MOVED Gee 2ND Zitko

"That the Agenda for November 4, 2014 be adopted as circulated."

CARRIED

Adoption of Minutes

MOVED Strukoff 2ND Harshenin

"That the Minutes of the October 14, 2014 Board Meeting be adopted as amended with a change in wording of the notice of motion."

CARRIED

Report on In-Camera Meeting from October 14, 2014

The Board discussed personnel issues, properties/facilities, business items, as well as the LIF and Education Fund.

Correspondence

Nil

Business Items

1. Superintendent's Report

The Superintendent reported on school visitations, the professional development for teachers in the District, class size, as well as meetings in and out of the District.

MOVED Zitko 2ND Harshenin

"That the Board approve in principle, the Boundary Central Secondary School Sevec Exchange to Quebec."

CARRIED

2. Secretary-Treasurer's Report

The Secretary-Treasurer presented her report for October and the enrolment as of October 17, 2014.

3. Director of Learning Report

The Director of Learning reported on October school visitations and highlighted the work being done in the AbEd and Special Education programs. He also reported on meetings attended and facilitated by Joanne Gidney, District Vice-Principal.

4. Other

• Report Card Practice Changes

The Superintendent reported that some of the schools are changing their report cards to match the new draft curriculum.

Funding for the Gateway Project

The Director of Learning asked the Board for financial support for this project.

MOVED Gee 2ND Reid

"That the Board approve the Gateway Project."

CARRIED

MOVED Reid 2ND Harshenin

"That the School District work with the Village of Midway to secure preservation of the site."

CARRIED

5. Use of Facilities and Rental Agreements in the West-end of the District

MOVED Gee 2ND Strukoff

"That the Use of School Facilities policy for the West Boundary be amended to reflect historic practice and community need."

DEFEATED

MOVED Riddle 2ND Reid

"That the Use of School Facilities for the West Boundary be referred to the Policy Committee."

CARRIED

6. Talking Break

Discussion took place regarding learning teams.

7. Committee Reports

Policy – Trustee Gee reported on the Policy Committee Meeting held on October 28, 2014. Operations/Finance - The Secretary-Treasurer reported on the meeting also held October 28, 2014.

8. Trustee Reports

Aboriginal Advisory Council – Trustee Gee reported out.

MOVED Gee 2ND Strukoff

"That the Board open the procedural bylaw to add the acknowledgement of traditional lands as part of the regular Board Meeting."

DEFEATED

MOVED Gee 2ND Zitko

"That the Board begin the practice of acknowledging the traditional lands at the Board meeting."

Recreation Commission – Trustee Strukoff reported on the proposed public learning garden.

MOVED Strukoff 2ND Harshenin

"That the Board allow the School District Logo on the Public Learning Garden sign."

CARRIED

Provincial Council – The Provincial Council motions were discussed.

9. Around the Boundary

October 2014 Around the Boundary was presented.

Meeting adjourned at 9:26 p.m.