



School District No. 67 (Okanagan Skaha)

REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

MINUTES

Monday, January 28, 2019, 6:30 P.M.

SCHOOL BOARD OFFICE

425 Jermyn Avenue

MEMBERS PRESENT Shelley Clarke, Chair
James Palanio, Vice Chair
Kathy Pierre, Trustee
Barb Sheppard, Trustee
David Stathers, Trustee
Tracy Van Raes, Trustee
Linda Van Alphen, Trustee

ALSO PRESENT Wendy Hyer, Superintendent of Schools
Kevin Lorenz, Secretary-Treasurer
Todd Manuel, Assistant Superintendent
Helena Drury, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer
Susan Thomson, Director of Instruction
Matt Williams, Director of Information Technology
Karen Botsford, Executive Assistant

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Clarke called the meeting to order and acknowledged that we were on the territory of the Okanagan First People. 6:32 p.m.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION CL2019-660 Duly moved and seconded

That the agenda be adopted.

CARRIED

3. PRESENTATIONS BY SCHOOLS AND/OR STUDENTS

3.1 International Baccalaureate Middle Years Programme (IB MYP)

Roger Wiebe, Principal, Princess Margaret Secondary thanked the Board for their support of the application for the IB Middle Years Programme. He introduced Christy Bevington, Travis Bond and Jeff Fitton who presented an overview of the framework including highlights of the work staff and students have been involved in while preparing for the verification visit. They commented that staff are galvanized and students are responding and engaged.

4. RECEIVING OF DELEGATIONS AND GUESTS**5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

MOTION CL2019-661 Duly moved and seconded

That the minutes of the regular meeting held on December 17, 2018 be approved.

CARRIED

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**6.1 Strategic Plan - Year Two Update**

Superintendent Hyer provided a year two update on the goals identified in the Strategic Plan providing details of the work in progress or completed to date. Highlights included district wide, school based and student support service initiatives for student and staff wellness; the technology review, media training, and the transportation review.

7. REPORT FROM CLOSED MEETINGS

Chair Clarke reviewed the following items which were discussed at the closed meeting held on December 17, 2018:

- student suspensions
- ombudsperson update
- staffing report; and
- personnel matters.

8. CORRESPONDENCE**8.1 Correspondence Requiring Action**

Chair Clarke appointed James Palanio to the City of Penticton Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee.

8.2 Correspondence Listing

Correspondence sent to or copied to the Board of Education was provided for the Board's information.

SD 8 (Kootenay Lake) to Minister of Education

Re: Funding Formula Review

SD 37 (Delta) to Minister of Education

Re: Funding Formula Review

SD 53 (Okanagan Similkameen) to Minister of Education

Re: Funding Formula and REEF

Email from J. Hoffman

Re: Wireless Technology

Minister of Education to SD 67

Re: Funding Review and REEF

SD 61 (Victoria) to Minister of Education

Re: Employer Health Tax

SD 61 (Victoria) to Minister of Education

Re: Special Needs Designations

Minister of Education to BCTF President

Re: Provincial Assessment

SD 71 (Comox Valley) to Minister of Education

Re: Audit Process

9. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

9.1 Business Committee

Trustee Van Raes reported on the business committee meeting held on January 15, 2019. Agenda topics included:

- Mileage Reimbursement Rate
- Annual Surveillance Report
- Financial Report.

9.2 Education Committee

Trustee Sheppard reported on the education committee meeting held on January 16, 2019. Topics included:

- District Wellness
- Violence/Threat Assessment Protocol
- Crisis Response Team
- BC Graduation Policy Guide.

10. REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

10.1 Ministry of Education: Early Action Initiative Grant Funding

Superintendent Hyer reported that the Ministry has provided an Early Action Initiative grant of \$33,000 to the district to support building school capacity in regards to student wellness and mental health.

11. REPORT OF SECRETARY-TREASURER

11.1 Trustee Compensation - New Tax Implications

Secretary-Treasurer Lorenz reported on the tax implications on trustee compensation due to CRA changes.

11.2 Meetings with City of Penticton and District of Summerland

Secretary-Treasurer Lorenz noted that the Board of Education traditionally meets with the City and District of Summerland after an election. Staff will contact the City of Penticton, District of Summerland, RDOS, MLAs and the Penticton Indian Band to coordinate dates.

11.3 Charitable Receipts

Secretary-Treasurer Lorenz provided, for the Board's information, a copy of the memo sent to principals regarding charitable receipts.

12. NEW BUSINESS**12.1 Board Policy Update**

Secretary-Treasurer Lorenz provided the Board with information and a recommendation regarding the process of reviewing the Board's policies and administrative procedures.

MOTION CL2019-662 Duly moved and seconded

That the Board of Education of School District No 67 engage Sloan Consultants Ltd. to support the Board in completing a full review and update of the Board's policies and associated administrative procedures.

CARRIED

12.2 Field Trips

Assistant Superintendent Manuel reviewed the field trip request included in the agenda package.

MOTION CL2019-663 Duly moved and seconded

That the Board of Education approve in principle the field trip request for April 25 - 28, 2019 for 50 students from Penticton Secondary Band and Choir to travel to Calgary Alberta.

CARRIED

12.3 International Education Field Trip

Assistant Superintendent Manuel reviewed with the Board the field trip request for international students.

MOTION CL2019-664 Duly moved and seconded

That the Board of Education approve in principle the field trip request for March 17-21, 2019 for middle school and secondary school international students to travel to Banff and Edmonton Alberta.

CARRIED

12.4 Conference and Academy Costs

Trustees discussed professional development expenses and expenses incurred for committee work. BCSTA and BCPSEA reimburse costs for Trustees who are committee members.

12.5 Trustee Report Template

A trustee report template was provided as an option for reporting on conferences and meetings.

13. REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES**13.1 BCPSEA Meetings**

Trustee Sheppard provided the Board with a report on the BCPSEA AGM she attended on Jan. 23 and 24. Agenda items included: elections for the BCPSEA Board, the 2019-20 budget, priorities for bargaining and a presentation from Michael Handcock on the role of the trustee/corporate board as employer.

13.2 Trustee Comments

Trustees provided comments related to district activities in the past month including:

BCSTA/BCPSEA Trustee Orientation held in Vancouver January 25, 26, 2019, PAC meetings, concerts, community events, grad transition interviews, DPAC meeting and school based outreach initiatives.

13.3 Indigenous Education Council

Chair Clarke reported on the Indigenous Education Council meeting held on January 25, 2019.

14. INFORMATION ITEMS**14.1 Recognition of Student Success**

School District No. 67 (Okanagan Skaha) extended congratulations to the students and groups for outstanding examples of success as shown on the listing circulated with the agenda package.

14.2 Recognition of Student Artwork

Congratulations were extended to the students from Queen's Park Elementary School for their artwork currently on display at the school board office.

14.3 Date of Next Meeting

- February 25, 2019, 6:30 p.m., Regular Board of Education Meeting, at the School Board Office.

15. QUESTION PERIOD

The Board received questions/comments from the audience.

16. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION CL2019-665 Duly moved and seconded

That the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Shelley Clarke, Chair

Kevin Lorenz, Secretary-Treasurer