School District No. 69 (Qualicum)



REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

TUESDAY, AUGUST 25, 2015 7:00 PM THE FORUM PARKSVILLE CIVIC & TECHNOLOGY CENTRE

ATTENDEES

Trustees

Eve Flynn	Chair
Barry Kurland	Vice Chair
Julie Austin	Trustee
Jacob Gair	Trustee
Elaine Young	Trustee

Administration

Rollie Koop	Superintendent of Schools
Ron Amos	Secretary Treasurer
Gillian Wilson	Assistant Superintendent
Ryan Hung	Assistant Secretary Treasurer
Dino Stiglich	General Manager of Operations
Karin Hergt	Executive Assistant (Recording Secretary)

Education Partners

Qualicum District Principals/Vice Principals Association (QDPVPA) District Parents Advisory Council (DPAC)

1. CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Flynn called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and welcomed everyone to the first meeting of the 2015/16 school year.

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL TERRITORY

Chair Flynn acknowledged that the Board was meeting on traditional territory of the Coast Salish people and thanked the Qualicum and Nanoose First Nations for sharing their shared territories with the District.

3. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

15-56R

Moved Trustee Gair *Seconded* Trustee Kurland **THAT** the Board of Education of School District No. 69 (Qualicum) adopt the agenda as presented. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

- a. **THAT** the Board of Education of School District 69 (Qualicum) adopt the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on June 23, 2015.
- b. **THAT** the Board of Education of School District 69 (Qualicum) adopt the minutes of the Special Board Meeting held on June 9, 2015.
- c. **THAT** the Board of Education of School District 69 (Qualicum) ratify the minutes of the In Camera Board Meeting held on June 16, 2015.
- d. **THAT** the Board of Education of School District 69 (Qualicum) ratify the minutes of the Special In Camera Board Meeting held on June 26, 2015.
- e. **THAT** the Board of Education of School District 69 (Qualicum) ratify Voucher No. 15-06 in the amount of \$2,520,733.74 for the month of June 2015.
- f. **THAT** the Board of Education of School District 69 (Qualicum) ratify Voucher No. 15-07 in the amount of \$2,671,410.89 for the month of July 2015.
- g. Ministry News Releases
 - Statement from Premier Christy Clark on Cabinet responsibilities
 - New funding supports school upgrades

15-57R

Moved Trustee Kurland Seconded Trustee Young **THAT** the Board of Education of School District No. 69 (Qualicum) approve the consent agenda items of the Regular Board Meeting of August 25, 2015, as presented. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. <u>DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS</u> (10 MINUTES) None

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES None

7. TRUSTEE HIGHLIGHTS

Trustee Young stated that an organization of which she is a member had sponsored a Ballenas student for a summer trip to France. She had the pleasure of hearing a speech made by the student who shared his experiences on that trip.

8. <u>MOUNT ARROWSMITH TEACHERS ASSOCIATION (MATA)</u> No Report

9. <u>CANADIAN UNION OF PUBLIC EMPLOYEES (LOCAL 3570)</u> No Report

10. DISTRICT PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL (DPAC)

Jalyn Sort, Co-Chair, advised that the first DPAC meeting of the 2015/16 school year will be held on Wednesday, September 23rd at 6:30 and will begin with a meet and greet and a presentation by the Superintendent. She invited all trustees to attend

11. <u>PUBLIC QUESTION (WRITTEN) AND COMMENT PERIOD</u> (10 MINUTES) None

12. ACTION ITEMS

a. District Staff Flu Vaccinations

15-58R

MovedTrustee GairSecondedTrustee KurlandTHAT the Board of Education of School District No. 69 (Qualicum) approve flu
vaccinations to be made available free of charge to employees in School District
No. 69 (Qualicum) for the 2015-16 School year.CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

13. INFORMATION ITEMS

a. Educational Programs Update

Assistant Superintendent Wilson reported on the following District activities/initiatives:

- Acknowledgement of the work done by Operations & Maintenance staff over the summer
- The Teaching & Learning Team met to plan two half day sessions for teachers which will be held during the week of August 31 to September 4. The first session will focus on the new Numeracy curriculum, assessment tools and resources available at the Teaching and Learning Centre and the second session will focus on the new Social Studies curriculum. Teachers are also being encouraged to explore the new K-9 curriculum for implementation in 2016. Aboriginal Education will be integrated into the curriculum and the support teacher for First Nations will be providing opportunities as to how to integrate First Nations teachings into the curriculum.
- An In-Service was held on August 24th on the Fresh Grade program. This will provide a way for teachers to communicate student learning to parents and will be piloted by a number of teachers throughout the district.
- MyEdBC BC training is in progress for clerical and administrative staff.

b. Achievement Contract/Education Planning Update

Superintendent Koop reminded the Board that Districts were not required to produce and submit an Achievement Contract this past year due to legislative changes. The Ministry has advised that there will be a planning process to report on student achievement the details of which have not yet been confirmed. It is expected that there will be an expectation of annual reports on student learning at the school and District levels and the Ministry will be providing broad parameters for that reporting.

The focus for the upcoming year will be to reenergize, refocus and reinvigorate the District's Strategic Planning and focus attention on personalizing, social/emotional learning for students as well as to ensure that the use of technology and other tools are in the hands of teachers and students to broaden and deepen learning. Staff will continue to explore the flex structure to engage students and allow them to pursue their passions.

The community engagement of the Thoughtexchange process has been completed, which will give the Board a sense of the impact on staff, parents and students on school closure and reconfiguration, as well as what is being done well and areas requiring improvement. Trustees and administrative staff will now analyze the data and information will continue to be shared on the district website for parents to explore form the school and district level.

Operations Department Summer Work C.

Secretary Treasurer Amos reviewed a list of projects completed by the staff in the Operations & Maintenance department over the summer months and reported that replacement buses had been purchased for the Transportation Department.

14. CORRESPONDENCE ATTACHED None

POLICY 15.

Board Bylaw 7: Bylaw and Policy Development and Review a.

15-59R

Moved Trustee Flynn Seconded Trustee Kurland **THAT** the Board of Education of School District No. 69 (Qualicum) give third and final reading to adopt the revisions to Board Bylaw 7: Bylaw and Policy Development and Review. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

b. **Foundational Principles**

15-60R

Moved Trustee Flynn Seconded Trustee Kurland **THAT** the Board of Education of School District No. 69 (Qualicum) give third and final reading to adopt Board Policy: Foundational Principles. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

TRUSTEE ITEMS 16.

BCSTA Representative on BCPSEA Advisory Committee a.

Chair Flynn advised her fellow trustees of her intention to submit her name to be considered as a representative of the BCPSEA Advisory Committee. Trustee supported her decision.

District 69 Recreation Commission – Ballenas Track Proposal b.

Trustee Austin reported that the Regional District of Nanaimo (RDN) is unclear as to where the District stands in regards to the regional district's exploration of partnerships to determine the level of interest in funding and operating an outdoor multi-sports complex in District 69. The Commission has asked Trustee Austin to take a past report completed in 2009 to the Board for review and to provide direction on its opinion.

Trustees and Senior Staff discussed the history of the proposal to have the Ballenas track and field considered as an option and the lack of understanding as to what information the recreation commission now requires of the Board since nothing has changed since it was determined that the Ballenas would not work for a full multi-sports complex.

After further discussion, it was decided that Trustee Austin would contact the Recreation Commission to advise that the Board is looking for a more formal request which articulates what the RDN requires from the Board to assist them in moving forward in planning for a multi-sports complex in District 69.

17. <u>NEW OR UNFINISHED BUSINESS</u>

None

18. <u>PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD</u>

Trustees and senior administrators received comments and/or answered questions on the following topics:

• Status of ridership on the Corcan route and cross-boundary requests that have not been approved. Staff advised that, in the absence of the General Manager of Operations, that information was not readily available. A staff member will contact the DPAC Co-Chair with information on the status of bus applications.

19. ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Young moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

The Special Board Meeting followed for the annual election of the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson.

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CHAIRPERSON

SECRETARY TREASURER