# School District No. 69 (Qualicum)



# REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2017
7:00 PM
THE FORUM
PARKSVILLE CIVIC & TECHNOLOGY CENTRE

### **ATTENDEES**

**Trustees** 

Eve Flynn Board Chairperson Julie Austin Vice Chairperson

Jacob Gair Trustee
Barry Kurland Trustee
Elaine Young Trustee

Administration

Rollie Koop Superintendent of Schools Ron Amos Secretary Treasurer

Gillian Wilson Assistant Superintendent of Schools Ryan Hung Assistant Secretary Treasurer Chris Dempster General Manager of Operations

Kevin McKee Qualicum District Principals/Vice Principals' Association (QDPVPA)

Karin Hergt Executive Assistant (Recording Secretary)

### **Education Partners**

Mount Arrowsmith Teachers' Association (MATA)
Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE) Local 3570

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Flynn called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

# 2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL TERRITORY

Chair Flynn acknowledged that the Board was meeting on the 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

17-97R

Moved: Trustee Young Seconded: Trustee Gair

**THAT** the Board of Education of School District No. 69 (Qualicum) adopt the agenda as

amended.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

### 4. APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

The three approvals for international field trips were moved under *Action Items*.

- a. Approval of Regular Board Meeting Minutes: October 24, 2017
- b. Ratification of In Camera Board Meeting Minutes: October 17, 2017
- c. Ministry News
  - Standing up for inclusion
  - High five an apprentice: It's Apprenticeship Recognition Week in BC
  - Investing in education helps students succeed
  - British Columbia celebrates International Education Week
  - Sign your children up today for the BC Training and Education Savings Grant
- d. Reports from Board Representatives to Outside Organizations
  - BCSTA Provincial Council Trustee Flynn
  - Ministry of Education Partner Liaison Meeting Trustee Flynn
  - BCSTA Board Chairs Meeting Trustee Flynn
  - Tribune Bay Outdoor Education Centre Society Trustee Austin
  - Oceanside Building Learning Together Coalition

     Trustee Austin
  - District 69 Recreation Commission Trustee Young
  - Indigenous Education Services Committee Trustee Young
- e. Status of Action Items November 2017

#### 17-98R

Moved: Trustee Young Seconded: Trustee Gair **THAT** the Board of Education of School District No. 69 (Qualicum) approve the consent agenda items of the Regular Board Meeting of November 28, 2017, as amended.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#### 5. DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

# a. Core Competencies - Kwalikum Secondary School

Jolin Olson and Dayna Johnson, teachers from Kwalikum Secondary School, provided an overview of the COMPASS program which provides an opportunity for students to be focused on the core competencies as they work through their curriculum. The cohort of students range from Grades 8 to 12 and have a wide range of learning needs and social emotional needs.

Ms. Lori Marshall, Principal of Kwalikum Secondary School, then shared the Scholantis Portfolio template that they will be using for Grades 8-10 students to do their self-reflection on their core competencies. This also gives teachers the opportunity to provide feedback to the students.

# b. Kwalikum Secondary School Solar Project

Chris Dempster, General Manager of Operations, introduced Jason Jackson from Hakai Energy Solutions, who provided some background to solar photovoltaic technology and highlighted the solar project at Kwalikum Secondary School. The project will also provide learning opportunities for students. Solar power data generated can be viewed at <a href="http://monitoring/solaredge.com/solaredge-web/p/home#/dashboard">http://monitoring/solaredge.com/solaredge-web/p/home#/dashboard</a>

### 6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None

#### 7. TRUSTEE HIGHLIGHTS

### **Trustee Austin**

• The Building Learning Together WOW Bus is ready to go back on the road. A launch party is being held on December 6<sup>th</sup> from noon to 2:00 at Storybook Village.

### **Trustee Young**

- The BCSTA Fall 2017 Trustee Academy which focused on *Education Evolution:* Student-Centred Governance.
- Keynote speakers topics focused around Indigenous Education, Health Care and Sexual Orientation Gender Identify (SOGI). The Minister and Deputy Minister of Education also addressed attendees and the BCSTA unveiled its Trustee Leaning Guide (the HUB) a web site dedicated to Trustee Professional Development.

### **Trustee Kurland**

• Displayed photographs of what a day in the life of a student in Syria looks like, which was in stark contrast to schools in BC.

# **Trustee Flynn**

 The REDress Project ceremony held on Monday, November 27<sup>th</sup> at the Parksville Civic and Technology Centre as part of the National Day of Action for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women in Canada.

#### **Trustee Gair**

- Congratulations to the Ballenas Secondary students who took top honours at Model United Nations event in October and to the teachers who guide the Ballenas Model UN Club.
- The student panel at the BCSTA Fall 2017 Trustee Academy.

# 8. MOUNT ARROWSMITH TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION (MATA)

Debbie Comer, President, commented on the following:

- Attended the BC Teachers' Federation Leadership Institute on November 23/24, 2017.
- Attended the Career Fair hosted by the District for practicum teachers, which began at the District Resource Centre and ended at the Quality Resort Bayside, to encourage practicum teachers to apply to the District.
- Provided examples of the impacts of the shortage of Teachers Teaching on Call (TTOC's) in the District while recognizing the District's efforts to add to the TTOC list.

### 9. CANADIAN UNION OF PUBLIC EMPLOYEES (LOCAL 3570)

No Report

### 10. DISTRICT PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL (DPAC)

Chair Flynn shared the following from a written report provided by Andrea Button, DPAC Chair:

- The December DPAC Meeting has been cancelled.
- DPAC is presenting a food safe course for parents and there were still some spaced available.
- Parent concerns expressed regarding the shortage of Teachers Teaching on Call (TTOC's) in the District, particularly for the French Immersion Program.

# 11. PUBLIC QUESTION (WRITTEN) AND COMMENT PERIOD

#### 12. ACTION ITEMS

# a. Statement of Financial Information (SOFI) Report

# 17-99R

Moved: Trustee Young Seconded: Trustee Gair

**THAT** the Board of Education of School District No. 69 (Qualicum) receive the Statement of Financial Information (SOFI) Report for the year ended June 30, 2017.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

### b. International Field Experiences

Superintendent Koop acknowledged that Trustees may have some questions prior to approving the student trips to Japan given the current concerns with North Korea and the trip to Nicaragua which can have its own challenges.

The Board expressed its confidence in the planning done at the school level by school administrators and the teachers spearheading those trips and Trustees were assured that current situations will be monitored and the trips would be halted should there be any major concerns and/or travel advisories to those two countries.

#### 17-100R

Moved: Trustee Young Seconded: Trustee Gair THAT the Board of Education of School District 69 (Qualicum) give final approval for a Kwalikum Secondary School student field trip to Japan in March 2018; and, THAT the Board of Education of School District 69 (Qualicum) give final approval for a Ballenas Secondary School student field trip to Japan in March 2018; and, THAT the Board of Education of School District 69 (Qualicum) give final approval for a Ballenas Secondary School student field trip to Nicaragua in March 2018. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#### 13. INFORMATION ITEMS

# a. Educational Programs Update

Assistant Superintendent Wilson reported on the following district initiatives and events:

- Staff have been meeting with MATA to review the district calendar and anticipate presenting a draft at the December Regular Board Meeting.
- District purchase of over 50 electronic devices for the District Resource Centre, to be shared out to the system. The most recent recipients were students at Bowser Elementary School.
- Provided hard copy examples of the core competencies identified at Bowser Elementary School.
- Teaching & Learning Team met in the morning to share what is being done
  with Applied Design, Skills and Technologies in the District to ensure that
  is incorporated in students' everyday learning and not an isolated course.
- The District Carpenters have created carts filled with trades equipment and are working with classroom teachers to give them a level of comfort in working with those tools before sharing the trades equipment with their students. The carts will provide opportunities for the schools which do not have dedicated shop space to use Applied Design, Skills and Technologies throughout their curriculum.
- An Educational Technology meeting was held and attendees reviewed the Technology Plan created last year from feedback obtained from individual schools and from an on-line survey. The new Technology Plan is aligned

with the current District student priority of how to support educational technology to enhance student learning. A copy of the 2016-21 Technology Plan was provided to Trustees.

- A Coding session will be held in January.
- Work continues on interviewing candidates to fill the District compliment of Teachers Teaching on Call. The District is working through how best to support professional development with a small TTOC list. Teachers have been flexible and working together to create those opportunities and are being given release time on another day for prep time.
- Carrie Reid is in the process of creating auditory books in the Hul'qami'num language which use visuals from nature and Indigenous artifacts to assist in the teaching of the language when an Indigenous Education Worker is not available in person. The District now has three schools that are taught Hul'qami'num.
- Staff are also working on a Social Studies 6/7 package including Indigenous content and considering using Google Classroom to 'explore' local rivers and lakes.

# b. Education Planning Update

Superintendent Koop reported on the following District initiatives:

- Appreciation to the Human Resources Department for coordinating the event for practicum teachers and being available to answer questions about the working for the District.
- Kindergarten students from Springwood Elementary who are learning how to be community helpers visited the Board Office on Tuesday, November 28<sup>th</sup>. Five departments hosted activities demonstrating what it means to be a community helper.
- The District's Career Programs have been recognized as a regional top performer for secondary school apprenticeships which has garnered a \$5000 reward in the Secondary Student Apprenticeship category. The hard work of members of Career Education Department and the teachers who direct students to the program was acknowledged.
- The Junior Whalers will be playing for the Provincial Championship on Saturday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> at BC Place.
- Superintendent Koop has been working with Blackberry Creative to create
  a strong visual representation that goes beyond the Enhancing Student
  Learning Plans and represents some approaches to learning in order to
  assist parents in understanding the changes being undertaken in
  education. It is anticipated that the newspaper wrap will be distributed in
  late December or early January and a copy will also be sent home with
  students.
- Senior Staff are working on the next series of policy updates, the first of which will be presented to the Board at its Board Policy Committee Meeting on Friday, December 1 for Trustees' consideration.
- Trustees and Senior Staff will also be considering the next steps to reaffirming or revising the Strategic Priorities for 2018/19.

# 14. CORRESPONDENCE ATTACHED

- a. SD69 Letter to Ministers James and Fleming re: Proposed Amendment to the School Act
- b. SD69 Submission to BCSTA re: BCPSEA Board of Directors
- c. BCSTA Letter to Ministers James and Fleming re: Key funding priorities for the 2018 Education Budget

#### 15. POLICY

### a. Board Policy 6170: Conflict of Interest

#### 17-101R

Moved: Trustee Flynn Seconded: Trustee Young

**THAT** the Board of Education of School District No. 69 (Qualicum) approve second reading of the revisions to Board Policy 6170: *Conflict of Interest* and its attendant Administrative Procedure at its Regular Board Meeting of November 28, 2017. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

### b. Rescinding of Policies

#### 17-102R

Moved: Trustee Flynn Seconded: Trustee Austin **THAT** the Board of Education of School District No. 69 (Qualicum) rescind the following policies at its Regular Board Meeting of November 28, 2017:

 Board Policy 6010: Recruitment CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

# 16. TRUSTEE ITEMS

# a. Christmas Oranges

17-103R

Moved: Trustee Gair Seconded: Trustee Kurland

**THAT** the Board of Education of School District No. 69 (Qualicum) approve the purchase and delivery by Trustees of 'Christmas oranges' to staff at all District work sites.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

### 17. NEW OR UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

### 18. PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

None

#### 19. ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Gair moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:47 p.m.

ACTING CHAIRPERSON SECRETARY TREASURER

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