



REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

TUESDAY, MAY 22, 2018

7:00 PM

THE FORUM

PARKSVILLE CIVIC & TECHNOLOGY CENTRE

ATTENDEES

Trustees

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

Administration

Rollie Koop	Superintendent of Schools
Ron Amos	Secretary Treasurer
Gillian Wilson	Assistant Superintendent of Schools
Chris Dempster	General Manager of Operations
Lesley Rowan	Vice-Principal, Qualicum Secondary School Qualicum District Principals/Vice Principals' Association
Karin Hergt	Executive Assistant (Recording Secretary)

Education Partners

Mount Arrowsmith Teachers' Association (MATA)

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 Nanoose and Qualicum First Nations for sharing their shared territories with the District.

3. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

18-79R

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

Two reports were added to the Consent Agenda:

- Indigenous Education Services Committee – Trustee Young
- RDN District 69 Recreation Commission – Trustee Young

Trustee Young requested that the April 24th Regular Board Meeting minutes reflect that the Social Justice Event was hosted by the Mount Arrowsmith Teachers' Association (MATA) and not Vancouver Island University.

- a. Approval of Regular Board Meeting Minutes as amended: April 24, 2018
- b. Approval of the Special Board Meeting Minutes: April 17, 2018
- c. Ratification of In Camera Board Meeting Minutes: April 17, 2018
- d. Ratification of Special In Camera Board Meeting Minutes: April 20, 2018
- e. News Releases
 - Premier announces awards for excellence in education
 - Statement on Mental Health Week and Child & Youth Mental Health Day
 - Premier announces new school playgrounds for students throughout BC
 - Programs that enhance student well-being receiving \$300,000
 - Improving supports for students is the focus of inaugural two-day mental-health conference
- f. Reports from Board Representatives to Outside Organizations
 - BCSTA Annual General Meeting – All Trustees
 - Tribune Bay Outdoor Education Centre Society – Trustee Austin
 - Oceanside Building Learning Together Coalition – Trustee Austin
 - RDN District 69 Recreation Commission – Trustee Young
 - Indigenous Education Services Advisory Committee – Trustee Young
- g. Status of Action Items – May 2018

18-80R

Moved: Trustee Young

Seconded: Trustee Kurland

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 69 (Qualicum) approve the consent agenda items of the Regular Board Meeting of May 22, 2018, as amended.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

a. The Real Toy Story Project at Qualicum Beach Elementary School

Staff, students, seniors from the Gardens and representatives of partner organizations, shared information and visuals from the Real Toy Story Project. The project included multi generations and community partners to assist students in exploring toys from past and present and to look into the future to what the next best toy might be. Students also designed and created toys for a friend with assistance from seniors.

Some of the participants then shared their experiences while working on the project and the many benefits gained through the learning partnership.

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None

7. TRUSTEE HIGHLIGHTS**Trustee Kurland**

- Attended Ballenas Secondary School's Indigenous Celebration Day and enjoyed a luncheon which included an array of traditional foods such as elk stew, baked salmon and salads.

Trustee Young

- Attended the False Bay Spring Fling on Saturday May 19th with Trustee Gair. Attendees from the community participated in a variety of activities and she encouraged people to make the opportunity to attend next year's event.

Trustee Gair

- Advised that the motion he brought forward to lobby the government to reduce the voters' age from 18 to 16 years for trustee elections, which was approved by the Board, then the Vancouver Island School Trustees Association, passed at the April Annual General Meeting of the BC School Trustees Association. The motion will now be presented to the government for consideration.
- Attended the Ballenas Secondary School Carnival and assisted with the bouncy castle. He was pleased with the level of engagement of students in speaking with him to lobby for their school.
- Attended the False Bay Spring Carnival and enjoyed reuniting with some friends from work and University whom he did not realize were from Lasqueti
- Joined the Outdoor Education Class at Ballenas Secondary Students for a whitewater rafting trip.

Trustee Austin

- Attended the Errington Elementary School Chess Tournament and was struck by the intensity with which many of the younger students from grades K-1 observed the games.

8. MOUNT ARROWSMITH TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION (MATA)

No report

9. CANADIAN UNION OF PUBLIC EMPLOYEES (LOCAL 3570)

No report

10. DISTRICT PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL (DPAC)

No Report

11. PUBLIC QUESTION (WRITTEN) AND COMMENT PERIOD

The Board was asked whether, when they attend a school for events, is their visit announced so that others can come and speak to trustees while they are on site. Chair Flynn advised that trustees attend events at the invitation of the school; however, the Board will consider expanding those visits to provide opportunities for staff, students and parents to liaise with trustees before or after the event.

12. ACTION ITEMS**a. Annual Facilities Grant Spending Plan****18-81R**

Moved: Trustee Kurland *Seconded:* Trustee Austin

THAT the Board of Education of School District 69 (Qualicum) receive the Annual Facility Grant spending plan for 2018-19 as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

b. 2018/19 School Fees**18-82R**

Moved: Trustee Gair *Seconded:* Trustee Young

THAT the Board of Education of School District 69 (Qualicum) approve the 2018/19 School Fees as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

13. INFORMATION ITEMS**a. Education Programs Update**

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

- Complemented MATA on the May 18th Professional Development Day workshops and activities provided.
- Round 3 of the posting and filling process for teaching positions was held earlier in the day with school administrators.
- Field trips are in full swing this time of year which are a great way to provide year end celebrations while linking the trip to the curriculum. These trips take a lot of work and organization and new field trip forms were created this year to obtain all the information required and that processes are in place to ensure the safety of students.
- The first Grade 7 Health & Wellness Conference was held on May 15th at the Parksville Civic & Conference Centre, which received positive comments from all participants and attendees. The District hopes to host the conference again next year.

b. Education Planning Update

Superintendent Koop reported on the following education planning taking place in the District:

- The first phase of the ThoughtExchange survey related to strategic priorities closed on May 8th. That feedback is being used to develop the next set of strategic priorities for the District and staff are working to have a draft for the current Board in the fall and the recommended version being presented to the new board for approval by the end of the year. ThoughtExchange is working with the data from the first phase and the survey will move into the 'star' phase for participants to prioritize the thoughts of those who responded. That phase will begin on May 28th.
- Schools are working on their Enhancing Student Learning Plans and a group of trustees will be visiting each site to meet with school staff and review the school's plans. Those plans will come forward for approval by the Board at the end of June and will inform the District Enhancing Student Learning Plan.

- Superintendent Koop will be attending the BC Superintendent’s meeting with the Deputy Minister of Education, Scott Campbell, on Thursday, May 24 to map out the upcoming school year in terms of student learning, curriculum changes, and attend an extensive presentation on mental health in public education system.

c. 2017 Carbon Neutral Action Report (CNAR)

Secretary Treasurer Amos presented the District’s 2017 Carbon Neutral Action Report which is an annual requirement of the Climate Action Secretariat. The report articulates the District’s 2017 emissions profile, offsets purchased and actions taken to reduce GHG emissions and plans to further reduce emissions in 2018 and beyond.

14. CORRESPONDENCE ATTACHED

None

15. BYLAW/POLICY/ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE

a. Board Bylaw 2 – Board Structure

18-83R

Moved: Trustee Young *Seconded:* Trustee Gair

THAT the Board of Education of School District 69 (Qualicum) approve third and final reading to adopt the revisions to School District No. 69 (Qualicum) Board Bylaw 2: *Board Structure*, at its Regular Board Meeting of May 22, 2018.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

b. Board Policy 4006: Accumulated Operating Surplus

18-84R

Moved: Trustee Young *Seconded:* Trustee Gair

THAT the Board of Education of School District 69 (Qualicum) approve first reading of Board Policy 4006: *Accumulated Operating Surplus* and its attendant Administrative Procedure at its Regular Board Meeting of May 22, 2018.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

c. Board Policy 7144: Student Records

18-85R

Moved: Trustee Young *Seconded:* Trustee Gair

THAT the Board of Education of School District 69 (Qualicum) approve first reading of Board Policy 7144: *Student Records* and its attendant Administrative Procedure at its Regular Board Meeting of May 22, 2018.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

16. TRUSTEE ITEMS

a. Letter to MLA’s re Advocating to Reduce the Voting Age of Electors for School Trustees

Trustee Gair noted MLA’s Michelle Stilwell, Scott Fraser and Andrew Weaver have either expressed interest in the Board’s motion to reduce the voting age of electors for trustees from 18 years of age to 16 years of age or are actively advocating to lower the voting age. As such, they would likely be interested to hear that the

motion he originally initiated to lobby the government to reduce the voters' age from 18 to 16 years for trustee elections was passed at the recent Annual General Meeting of the BC School Trustees Association, especially considering the next step would be for the motion to be debated by the provincial government.

18-86R

Moved: Trustee Gair *Seconded:* Trustee Young

THAT the Board Chair, on behalf of the Board of Education of School District 69 (Qualicum), write a letter to Premier Horgan, MLA's Michelle Stilwell, Scott Fraser and Andrew Weaver advising them that a motion was passed at the recent Annual General Meeting of the BC School Trustees Association (BCSTA) requesting that BCSTA advocate for the provincial government to amend the *School Act* by changing the voting age of electors from 18 years of age to 16 year of age for school trustee elections.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

17. NEW OR UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

18. PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

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

- None

19. ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Gair moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:57 p.m.

Original signed copy on file

CHAIRPERSON

SECRETARY TREASURER