



School District 19
(Revelstoke)

Revelstoke Board of Education

Regular Board Meeting November 5, 2024 Minutes

1) CALL TO ORDER

Trustee Chell called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We would like to respectfully honour the four nations on whose land we live and learn: The Sinixt, the Secwépemc, the Ktunxa, and the Syilx Okanagan.

SASHA WALSH

At a conference in the spring, there was a presentation on the Sinixt and how they care for the land. The Sinixt use practices for the growth and sustainable practices for wild asparagus. The presenter taught about the medical examples such as lichen (also known as black moss) which can be used for cooking and certain medicines, it can be mixed with grease to be used as a slave to prevent infection. Trustees also acknowledged the passing of Murray Sinclair, Anishinaabe senator and renowned Manitoba lawyer who led the Truth and Reconciliation Commission.

2) ATTENDANCE

Trustees:	Chell, Zimmer, Allen, Rota and Walsh
Senior Administration:	Superintendent Kubik and Secretary Treasurer Tisdale
and:	Executive Assistant Fowlie
Guests:	Jason Stevens, RTA President

3) APPROVAL OF AGENDA

24: R-81 Allen/Rota

“THAT the agenda be approved with the addition of Items 8.1.1 D Core Boards Variety Grant Funds.

CARRIED

4) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

24: R-82 Allen/Rota

“THAT the minutes of the Regular Board meeting of October 16th, 2024, be approved as presented.”

CARRIED

5) DELEGATIONS - Nil

6) SPECIAL REPORTS – Nil

7) BUSINESS ARISING - Nil

8) NEW BUSINESS

8.1) ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

8.1.1) SUPERINTENDENT KUBIK

A) Superintendent's Administration Reports: Superintendent Kubik

Superintendent Kubik presented her Administration Reports highlighting:

- The draft restriction of the personal digital device policy and the community feedback event.
- Her visit to BVE, where she attended a presentation on reciprocity and giving back to the land.
- The Strategic Plan report and emphasized the connection to community and real-world learning.
- Grade 9 students' participation in a career day with RMR and later reflected on their core competencies. Grade 10 and 11 students also took part in similar career events.
- Reviewed the introduction to Provincial Learning Pathways, which had not been officially introduced yet, and the leadership team spent time familiarizing themselves with the document to understand its intended function.

The Superintendent's Administration Reports were received as information.

B) Enhancing Student Learning Report: Local Data

Superintendent Kubik presented the Enhancing Student Learning Local Data, which highlighted the strengths and stretches and pathways forward for student success. Staff closely examined the data to verify the need for implementation of enhancement programs aimed at improving student outcomes.

C) Class Size Average

Superintendent Kubik presented the class size average memo to the board, which was received as information. Class size averages for 2024/2025 are outstanding, and the teachers appreciated the smaller class sizes, as well as knowing that the board supported the continued smaller class sizes each year. Combined classes were recognized as very beneficial for both grades. Superintendent Kubik was asked to include information about the benefits of combined classes in an upcoming Superintendents newsletter for parents.

D) Variety Grant Application - Core Boards for Begbie View Elementary Funding

BVE & AHE are applying for the Variety grant for inclusive communication boards to be installed at each school's playgrounds. These boards promote inclusivity and supports students with special educational needs.

24: R-83 Rota/Chell Variety Grant Application – Core Boards for Begbie View Elementary Funding

THAT the Revelstoke Board of Education approve funding in the amount of \$3000.00 for the Core Boards for the Begbie View Elementary Playground and \$3000.00 for Arrow Heights Elementary School.

CARRIED

8.1.2) SECRETARY TREASURER TISDALE - Nil

8.2) OTHER

A) Policy 2.1 Procedural Bylaw

The policy was amended to update the date of the Board meetings from Wednesday evening every third week to Tuesday evening, every third week.

24: R-85 Zimmer/Rota

"THAT the Board of Education give first reading to the attached revised Policy 2.1 Procedural Bylaw in accordance with section 9.4 of the current Policy 2.1."

CARRIED

8.3) COMMITTEE REPORTS

A) Education Advisory Committee Minutes of September 24th, 2024

Trustee Walsh presented the minutes noting that it was a smaller meeting.

24: R-86 Walsh/Rota

"THAT the minutes of the Education Advisory Committee meeting of September 24th, 2024, be received as presented."

CARRIED

B) Education Advisory Committee Minutes of October 29th, 2024

Trustee Walsh presented the minutes noting that it was a smaller meeting.

24: R-87 Walsh/Rota

"THAT the minutes of the Education Advisory Committee meeting of October 29th, 2024, be received as presented."

CARRIED

C) Policy Review Committee Minutes of October 28th, 2024

Trustee Zimmer presented the minutes noting that the Draft Restriction of Personal Digital Device Policy was the only policy discussed at the meeting. The committee reviewed the feedback from the community consultation and the survey of staff. Another consultation will take place with RSS. The next policy meeting will take place at the November 25th to review

all feedback. Roberta will complete a letter to RSS students and staff requesting additional feedback, due back on November 22nd, 2024. The board was in consensus that the policy be circulated for feedback.

24: R-88 Zimmer/Rota

“THAT the minutes of the Policy Review Committee meeting of October 28th, 2024, be received as amended to include 2 membership changes to note that Principal McDowell was present, and Secretary Treasurer Tisdale was not.”

CARRIED

8.4) TRUSTEE REPORTS

A) British Columbia School Trustees’ Association Provincial Council Meeting of October 25th – 26th, 2024

Provincial Council meeting was very good, lots of great discussion. BCSTA is planning to form a group.

B) British Columbia School Trustee Association Climate Action Working Group

The University of Windsor did a scan of all 60 district to review publicly available documentation on Climate Action. The University of Windsor are requesting information on what our district is doing for has done for our environmental scan.

C) Student Trustee Representative at AGM

Each district is invited to have a student trustee and bring that student representative to the AGM.

D) Trustee Roundtable

Discussion regarding forming an Equity Committee took place, the item was referred to staff. It was noted that trustees should regularly attend Branch committee meetings so that District 19 has representation at Policy, Education, and Indigenous Council meetings. Once the spring schedule is received the Board can decide which trustee should attend specific committees. Trustees will attend meetings where possible, not all meetings are held virtually.

8.5) CORRESPONDENCE – Nil

9) FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS - Nil

10) PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

Trustee Chell invited members of the audience to ask questions related to items on the agenda.

RTA President Stevens, noted his appreciation that the Board and Superintendent, Secretary Treasurer and the Secretarial staff are very professional and makes it much easier to do a productive job and it is vastly appreciated, and noted that the class sizes are a great achievement for the district and one to be very proud of. RTA President Stevens requested information on composition language for the district as composition issues are a concern for his members. Superintendent Kubik advised that this information will be included in the next board meeting as per past practice.

11) ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:01 p.m. on the motion of Trustee Rota/Allen.

Chair

Secretary Treasurer

DATED: November 5th, 2024