



School District 19
(Revelstoke)

Revelstoke Board of Education

Inaugural and Regular Board Meeting Wednesday, November 21st, 2018 Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

Secretary Treasurer Tisdale called the meeting to order at 5:01

ATTENDANCE

Trustees:	MacFarlane, Chell, Rorstad and Zimmer
Senior Administration:	Superintendent Hooker, Secretary Treasurer Tisdale
and:	Administrative Secretary Magarian
Guests:	RTA President Bob Rogers, Two RTA members, one member of the media
Regrets:	Trustee-elect Pendergast

ELECTION

Election of Board Chair

Secretary Treasurer Tisdale described the process outlined in Procedural Bylaw 2.1 for determining the Board Chair. He called for nominations from the floor for the position of Board Chair.

18: R-80 Chell/Zimmer

“THAT Bill MacFarlane be nominated as Board Chair.”

CARRIED

Trustee MacFarlane accepted the nomination.

Secretary Treasurer Tisdale called for nominations a second time, and a third time. There were no other nominations. Trustee MacFarlane was appointed as the Board Chair by acclamation and assumed the Chair.

Trustee MacFarlane thanked Trustees. He noted that it will be a busy four years and he is looking forward to the upcoming challenges.

Election of Vice-Chair

Chair MacFarlane called for nominations from the floor for the position of Board Vice Chair.

18: R- 81 Rorstad/Zimmer

“THAT Alan Chell be nominated as Board Vice-Chair.”

CARRIED

Trustee Chell accepted the nomination.

Chair MacFarlane called for nominations a second time, and a third time. There were no other nominations. Trustee Chell was appointed as the Board Vice-Chair by acclamation.

Trustee MacFarlane acknowledged Trustee Chell for his contributions to the Board over the years as well as his expertise and knowledge at the provincial level.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

18: R-82 Chell/Rorstad

“THAT the agenda be approved with the addition of Item 8.1.1 F Revelstoke Secondary School Out of Town Trip - Senior Boys Volleyball Provincial Championships in Langley, BC and Letter from Minister of Education Rob Fleming dated November 16th, 2018 addressed to Board Chairs.”

CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

18: R-83 Rorstad/Chell

“THAT the minutes of the Regular Board meeting of October 10th, 2018, be approved as presented.”

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS

SPECIAL REPORTS

NEW BUSINESS

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

SUPERINTENDENT HOOKER

Election of BC School Trustees Association (BCSTA) Provincial Council Representative

Secretary Treasurer Tisdale explained that although previously, the district has appointed the BCSTA Provincial Representative and Alternate, the BCSTA requires that the Provincial Representative and Alternate be elected. Superintendent Hooker called for nominations from the floor for the position of BCSTA Provincial Council Representative.

18: R-84 Chell/Zimmer

“THAT Bill MacFarlane be nominated as BC School Trustees Association Provincial Council Representative.”

CARRIED

Trustee MacFarlane accepted the nomination.

Superintendent Hooker called for nominations a second time, and a third time. There were no other nominations. Trustee MacFarlane was appointed as the BCSTA Provincial Council Representative by acclamation.

Trustee MacFarlane thanked Trustees.

18: R-85 Rorstad/Zimmer

“THAT Alan Chell be nominated as BC School Trustees Association Provincial Council Alternate Representative.”

CARRIED

Trustee Chell accepted the nomination.

Superintendent Hooker called for nominations a second time, and a third time. There were no other nominations. Trustee Chell was appointed as the BCSTA Provincial Council Representative Alternate by acclamation.

Trustee Chell thanked trustees advising that if another trustee would like to step forward, he will step aside. He added that the Provincial Council meetings are open to all trustees.

Administration Report: Superintendent Hooker

Received as information.

Superintendent Hooker provided his Administration Report highlighting the increase of 4 educational assistants position to support students that are new to the community and require extra support. He also highlighted the work of Secretary Treasurer Tisdale, Principal Hicks and Manager of Operations Manson who are reviewing “break out spaces” at Begbie View Elementary School. He noted the high participation rates (85% - 95% district average) in the Foundation Skills Assessments (FSA) for grade 4 and 7 students. He thanked principals and teachers for their assistance with the FSA. He also thanked Principal Tedesco and District Principal of Support Services McDowell for their work in bringing speakers Adrienne Gear and Carole Fullerton to the November 9th, 2018 Curriculum Implementation Day. He acknowledged the work of Secretary Treasurer Tisdale on his negotiations with the contractors for the playground and renovation projects at Columbia Park Elementary School. It is anticipated that those projects will begin shortly.

District Plan for Student Success 2018/2019

Superintendent Hooker presented the 2018/2019 District Plan for Student Success noting that trustees will review the plan further during Trustee Orientation. He began by highlighting the District’s Mission Statement which the Board will be reviewing and the inquiry questions students and staff ask themselves to create a healthy learning environment. He then reviewed the three goals areas, *To Support Student’s Health and Well-Being, To Increase Students’ Reading Achievement, To Increase the Number of Students Graduation and Completing School*. He noted that the data collected is used, as staff work on their school plans, in determining the goals and the best ways to support students in those goal areas. He added that indigenous ways of learning are becoming embedded into the curriculum.

Board Authority Authorized Courses at Revelstoke Secondary School – Indigenous Connections 10, 11 and 12

Superintendent Hooker provided background information on the difference between Ministry mandated courses and Board Authority Authorized courses. He noted that the Indigenous Connections course is a new course and was developed by District Principal Support Services

McDowell, Teacher/Counsellor Lissa Cancilla-Sykes and Teacher Erin England. Erin England will be teaching the courses in second semester.

18: R-86 Zimmer/Rorstad

“THAT the Revelstoke Board of Education approve Indigenous Connections 10, 11 and 12 as Board Authority Authorized courses.”

CARRIED

Revelstoke Secondary School Out of Town Trip – Senior Boys Volleyball Provincial Championships in Langley, BC

Superintendent Hooker explained that according to Policy 7.4, any out of town trip for more than three nights requires Board approval and if the boys team reaches the final, they will need to stay in Langley for four nights.

18: R-87 Rorstad/Chell

“THAT the Revelstoke Board of Education approve the Revelstoke Secondary School Senior Boys Volleyball team’s participation in the Senior Boys Volleyball Provincial Championships in Langley, BC from November 27th 2018 to December 1st, 2018 in accordance with Policy 7.4.

CARRIED

SECRETARY TREASURER TISDALE

OTHER

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Indigenous Education Advisory Committee Minutes of October 4th, 2018

18: R-88 Zimmer/Rorstad

“THAT the minutes of the Indigenous Education Advisory Committee meeting of October 4th, 2018 be received as presented.”

CARRIED

Indigenous Education Advisory Committee Minutes of November 8th, 2018

18: R-89 Zimmer/Rorstad

“THAT the minutes of the Indigenous Education Advisory Committee meeting of November 8th, 2018 be received as presented.”

CARRIED

District Parent Advisory Council Minutes of November 14th, 2018

Trustee Rorstad presented the minutes noting the Arrow Heights Elementary School Road Safety presentation. Superintendent Hooker added that Amy McGiven attending the BC Confederation of Parent Advisory Councils meeting in Vancouver. She advised that after meeting representatives from other school districts, that the Revelstoke District PACS and DPACs work well with district staff, principals and teachers. He also noting the upcoming Mental Health Symposium being held on November 29th, 2018. Parents, staff and community members are

encouraged to attend and ask questions and begin conversations about drugs, alcohol, vaping, and mental health.

18: R-90 Rorstad/Zimmer

“THAT the Revelstoke Board of Education provide a letter to the Parent Advisory Councils of each of the elementary schools supporting their efforts in finding solutions to the traffic safety issues at each of the schools.”

CARRIED

18: R-91 Rorstad/Zimmer

“THAT the minutes of the District Parent Advisory Council meeting of November 14th, 2018 be received as presented.”

CARRIED

TRUSTEE REPORTS

Early Childhood Development Committee Meeting of September 17th, 2018

For information.

Early Childhood Development Committee Meeting of October 15th, 2018

Trustee Chell highlighted the successful Toy and Clothing Exchange which serves hundreds of people. He then explained that Revelstoke early learning community has benefitted from funding from the provincial government and Columbia Basin Trust which has enabled the Early Childhood Development Committee (which is made up of representatives from a wide range of areas Childcare, Social Services, Education, Speech and Language and the School District) to provide supports and services free of charge to young children and families in the community. Unfortunately, the government has withdrawn substantial funding which will have implications for the school district. He noted that due to the work of the early learning community, Revelstoke has the lowest vulnerability rates of kindergarten students in the Province according to the Early Development Instrument. A working group has been established which will look at creative ways to maintain needed services and programs. He noted that it is very important that children continue to be identified at an early age and be provided with support in their early years.

British Columbia Public School Employers' Association Fall Symposium Meeting on November 5th – 6th, 2018

Trustee MacFarlane provided an overview of the Symposium which was entitled Insight and Opportunities. The main topic of the symposium was teacher bargaining with discussion on local bargaining, arbitration avoidance, duty to accommodate and return to work. Cannabis in the workplace was also discussed. Trustee Chell added that the symposium was very worthwhile and that Keith Baldrey, Political Journalist for Global TV, was a guest speaker and provided his perspective on the upcoming teacher bargaining and the political climate in BC.

CORRESPONDENCE

- Letter from the Revelstoke Teachers' Association dated November 13th, 2018 regarding three-point seatbelts on school buses.

18: R-92 Chell/Rorstad

“THAT the Revelstoke Board of Education refer the matter to the Board’s Finance and Facilities Committee for review.”

CARRIED

- Letter from Minister of Education Rob Fleming dated November 16th, 2018 addressed to Board Chairs.

PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

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

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:11 p.m. on the motion of Trustee Chell.

CLOSED BOARD ITEMS

- BC Public School Employers’ Association (BCPSEA) – Teacher Bargaining 2019 Consultation and Survey
- Selection of Listing Realtor for Big Eddy Lot Sales
- Mount Begbie Elementary Site
- Student Suspensions – October 2018

CARRIED

Chair

Secretary-Treasurer

DATED: November 21st, 2018