



School District 19
(Revelstoke)

Revelstoke Board of Education

Regular Board Meeting January 16th, 2019 Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

Trustee MacFarlane called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We would like to acknowledge the nations on whose traditional territory we are gathering: the Sinixt, the Ktunaxa, the Secwepemc, and the Syilx.

ATTENDANCE

Trustees:	MacFarlane, Chell, Rorstad, Zimmer and Pendergast
Senior Administration:	Superintendent Hooker and Secretary Treasurer Tisdale
and:	Administrative Secretary Magarian
Guests:	Bob Rogers, RTA President; 1 RTA member, and 1 member of the media

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

19: R-01 Rorstad/Pendergast

“THAT the agenda be approved as presented.”

CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

19: R-02 Pendergast/Chell

“THAT the minutes of the Regular Board meeting of December 12th, 2018, be approved as presented.”

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS

SPECIAL REPORTS

NEW BUSINESS

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

SUPERINTENDENT HOOKER

Administration Report: Superintendent Hooker

Received as information.

Superintendent Hooker presented his Administration Report highlighting the increases in learning support and speech and language pathologist time, the arrangements being made for the upcoming arrival of a Syrian family with two sons that will be attending Revelstoke Secondary

School and the upcoming Ono Cho visit. He also noted his visits with grade 4 and grade 7 classes to discuss the Middle Years Development Instrument (MDI). He explained how the information from the MDI is used and the importance of their feedback. He also had a lunch meeting with the RSS Student Leadership team to share and discuss the MDI results with them as they make plans to work with grade 6 and 7 students on health and well-being projects.

Trustees noted in the Administration Report that the district is once again providing transportation for an after school cross-country skiing experience organized by Sarah Newton and the Nordic Ski Club. The program is offered to students at no cost. The district provides the bus transportation and the Nordic Ski Club provides the equipment.

19: R-03 Chell/Pendergast

“THAT Revelstoke Board of Education send a letter of appreciation to Sarah Newton and the Nordic Ski Club for continuing with the after-school cross country ski program.”

CARRIED

Six-Year Completion Rate

Superintendent Hooker presented the six-year completion rate and explained how the Ministry calculates completion rates. Currently, the Ministry includes students who move out of province in the “non-graduate” numbers. As a small district, including those students affects the district’s completion rates and does not necessarily reflect the district’s actual completion rate. The district tracks individual students through to graduation. Superintendent Hooker noted that of 67 students expected to graduate in the 2017/2018 school year, 61 completed within the 6 year window, 1 was home schooled and 5 others have not yet graduated.

Superintendent Hooker and trustees expressed their appreciation to Revelstoke Secondary School and district staff for their support of our students, which results in the high completion rate.

SECRETARY TREASURER TISDALE

Funding Model Review Report

Secretary Treasurer Tisdale reviewed the report summary, explaining that the Ministry is delaying the implementation of the report which allows districts time to thoroughly review the report and provide feedback. It was noted that the Ministry is encouraging district feedback on the report.

19: R-04 Rorstad/Zimmer

“THAT:

1. A review of the Funding Model Review Report be added to a Finance and Facilities agenda prior to June 30th, 2019.
2. The Revelstoke Board of Education send a letter of thanks to the Minister for delaying the implementation of a new funding model and for the additional time provided for the district to consider the impact of possible changes.”

CARRIED

OTHER

COMMITTEE REPORTS

TRUSTEE REPORTS

BC Public School Employers' Association (BCPSEA) Annual General Meeting – Proposed Resolutions

Chair MacFarlane as the Board's BCPSEA Representative, reviewed the proposed resolutions. With respect to the first resolution, Trustee Chell clarified that currently, although the Ministry supports exempt staff increases, it does not fund them. Trustees agreed that Chair MacFarlane should vote in favour of the resolution.

For the second resolution it was explained that Principals and Vice-Principals enter into separate contracts with their respective Boards and the contracts vary greatly from district to district. The BC Principals and Vice-Principals Association (BCPVPA) would like certain contract clauses standardized throughout the province. BCPSEA is asking if Boards support the initiative of the BCPVPA in principle, before they proceed any further. Trustees agreed that Chair MacFarlane should vote in favour of the resolution.

19: R-05 Pendergast/Rorstad

“THAT Revelstoke Board of Education supports BC Public School Employers Association Resolutions O-2 and O-2 in principle.”

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE

Letter dated January 8th, 2019 from Minister of Education Fleming to Board Chairs regarding the launch of the 2019 Premier's Awards for Excellence in Education.

PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

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

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:29 p.m. on the motion of Trustee Pendergast.

CLOSED BOARD ITEMS

- Student Suspensions – December 2018

Chair

Secretary Treasurer

DATED: January 16th, 2019