



School District 19
(Revelstoke)

Revelstoke Board of Education

Regular Board Meeting May 7th, 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, Rorstad (arrived at 5:40 pm), Zimmer and Pendergast
Senior Administration:	Superintendent Hooker and Secretary Treasurer Tisdale
Principals:	Todd Hicks, Principal of Begbie View Elementary School
and:	Administrative Secretary Magarian
Guests:	Bob Rogers, RTA President, and 1 RTA member
Regrets:	Trustee Chell

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

19: R-33 Pendergast/Zimmer

“THAT the agenda be approved as presented.”

CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

19: R-34 Pendergast/Zimmer

“THAT the minutes of the Regular Board meeting of April 17th, 2019, be approved as presented.”

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS

SPECIAL REPORTS

Begbie View Elementary School 2018/2019 Annual Report to the Board

Principal Hicks began his presentation by welcoming trustees and advising that his presentation would be in three sections, the first being “What is going on for our learners?”, the second “How do we know”? and the third, “Why does it matter?”

What is going on for our learners?

Staff is encouraging students to be inquiring with lots of “hands on” activities. Students are learning across the community with visits to Moberly Manor, the Mayor, and Revelstoke Secondary School to name a few. Students designed, made, marketed and sold a product at an Entrepreneur Fair. They are learning lifelong skills through physical activities such as skiing (downhill and cross country), acrobats, curling, swimming and skating. Students are also learning to be aware of their environment, their community, and are getting involved in social activism. The school celebrated World Autism Day with students learning that we are all unique and see the world differently. Some of the after-school activities offered to students free of charge are badminton lessons, “All Star Gym Time” and the after school cross country ski program. Staff continue to focus on making connections with students.

How do we know?

Principal Hicks explained that staff is constantly looking at the data from a number of sources such as the Middle Years Development Instrument, the Student Learning Survey, a school developed Playground Assessment and perhaps most importantly, listening to what kids have to say. After attending a workshop, staff introduced is the “Play is the Way” program which uses learning activities to introduce core concepts/virtues such as the golden rule. Principal Hicks showed a short clip of a Claymation video which illustrated that we don’t all see problems the same way. He also showed a video of students participating in Play is the Way games. Through the program students are learning to ask themselves “Am I doing the right thing or the wrong thing?” “Are my feelings in charge of my actions or is my thinking in charge?”

Why does it matter?

It matters because everyone one of us in a unique individual. Principal Hicks noted that the 2018/2019 Middle Years Development Instrument (MDI) results have just been received and there are some areas that the staff will be focusing on and reviewing with students.

Principal Hicks concluded his presentation by thanking the students, families, the community and the district for the support they provide.

Trustees thanked Principal Hicks for his presentation. Superintendent Hooker noted that he is glad to see that the school staff is encouraging student voices and taking action to support their individual needs.

NEW BUSINESS

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

SUPERINTENDENT HOOKER

Administration Report: Superintendent Hooker

Received as information.

Superintendent Hooker presented his Administration Reporting highlighting the parent and community meeting organized by the Child and Youth Mental Health and Substance Use Collaborative. As the second session was not as well attended as the first, next year only one session will be held. He also provided an update on the district’s anticipated enrolment for the 2019/2020 school year noting that the enrolment at Columbia Park Elementary School has declined by 15 students and the district remains stable. Superintendent Hooker thanked teachers Pam Mair and Tammy Tomm for organizing the wind-up session of the Coaching Café. He highlighted the traffic safety concerns expressed by parents at the District Parent

Advisory Committee meeting and their desire to present their concerns and possible solutions to the Mayor and City Council. Finally, he noted the well-attended Health and Wellness fair recently held at Revelstoke Secondary School.

Policy 4.15 Property Control Bylaw

Superintendent Hooker presented the bylaw noting that the first reading was completed at the April 17th, 2019 School Board Meeting.

19: R-35 Pendergast/Zimmer

"THAT the Board of Education give second and third reading and adopt Policy 4.15 Property Control Bylaw."

CARRIED

Policy 2.9 Parent Advisory Councils and Policy 5.3 Tobacco, Smoke and Vape Free Facilities

Superintendent Hooker presented the policies.

19: R-36 Zimmer/Pendergast

"THAT the Revelstoke Board of Education approve Policy 2.9 Parent Advisory Councils and Policy 5.3 Tobacco, Smoke and Vape Free Facilities."

CARRIED

Policy 4.17 Audit Committee

Trustee MacFarlane provided trustees with background information on the Ministry of Education's recommendation that all school districts have an audit committee. The purpose of the audit committee is to serve as a financial oversight in addition to the district's external audit which is currently being completed annually by BDO Dunwoody.

19: R-37 Zimmer/Pendergast

"THAT the Revelstoke Board of Education circulate new Policy 4.17 Audit Committee."

CARRIED

SECRETARY TREASURER TISDALE

OTHER

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Policy Review Committee Minutes of April 29th, 2019

Trustee Zimmer presented the minutes.

19: R-38 Zimmer/Rorstad

"THAT the minutes of the Policy Review Committee meeting of April 29th, 2019 be received as presented."

CARRIED

TRUSTEE REPORTS

British Columbia School Trustee Association Annual General Meeting of April 25th to 28th, 2019

Trustees MacFarlane, Chell, Zimmer and Pendergast together with Superintendent Hooker and Secretary Treasurer Tisdale attended the meeting. Trustees expressed that they enjoyed the meeting which they found very interesting with excellent keynote speakers.

British Columbia School Trustee Association (BCSTA) Provincial Council Meeting of April 27th, 2019

Trustee MacFarlane attended the meeting which was primarily to approve the BCSTA budget. The fees that the district pays to be part of the BCSTA are based on enrolment numbers.

CORRESPONDENCE

Letter dated April 12th, 2019 from Minister of Education Rob Fleming addressed to Boards of Education regarding changes to the Ministry's guidelines for Long Range Facilities Plans.

- Secretary Treasurer Tisdale noted that the new guidelines reduce the amount of the paperwork districts must provide to the Ministry.

Letter dated May 2nd, 2019 from the Revelstoke Cycling Association asking that the field adjacent to the Farwell School Site be added to the list of possible sites for a pump track.

- Trustees discussed the correspondence.

19: R-39 Pendergast/Rorstad

“THAT the letter dated May 2nd, 2019 from the Revelstoke Cycling Association be referred to staff.”

CARRIED

PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

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

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m. on the motion of Trustee Zimmer.

CLOSED BOARD ITEMS

- BC Public School Employers' Association – General Update: Provincial Collective Bargaining between BCPSEA and the BC Teachers' Federal dated May 1st, 2019
- Conseil scolaire francophone de la Colombie-Britannique – Request to Lease Farwell School
- Budget Committee Meeting of April 24th, 2019

Chair

Secretary Treasurer

DATED: May 7th, 2019