



School District 19
(Revelstoke)

Revelstoke Board of Education

Regular Board Meeting June 22nd, 2022 at Arrow Heights Elementary School Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

Trustee MacFarlane called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We would like to respectfully honour the four nations on whose land we live and learn: the Sinixt, the Ktunaxa, the Secwepemc, and the Syilx.

ATTENDANCE

Trustees:	MacFarlane, Chell, Rorstad, Zimmer and Pendergast (attended remotely)
Senior Administration:	Superintendent Hooker and Secretary Treasurer Tisdale
Principals:	Rita Tedesco, Principal of Arrow Heights Elementary School
and:	Administrative Secretary Magarian
Guests:	Barry Rourke, RTA President; and one member of the media

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

22: R-43 Rorstad/Chell

“THAT the agenda be approved as presented.”

CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

22: R-44 Zimmer/Pendergast

“THAT the minutes of the Regular Board meeting of June 1st, 2022, be approved as presented.”

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS

SPECIAL REPORTS

Arrow Heights Elementary School 2021-2022 Annual Report to the Board

Ms. Tedesco began her report noting that the previous night was the Grade 7 celebration and one of the students commented that Arrow Heights Elementary School feels like a family which is what the staff works hard to achieve. She then provided an overview of her Annual Report to the board:

School Beliefs

The Arrow Heights Elementary School (AHE) C.A.R.E.S (Cooperation, Achievement, Respect, Enthusiasm, Safety) is an extension of effective behaviour supports system. It sets out how the

school is to act and treat each other. The behaviours are reinforced and rewarded and paid forward. For example, when a student receives a “CARES card” the card is a credit for a charity of their choice. This year it was the Indigenous Friendship Society or the Revelstoke Foodbank. Fundraisers are held to cover the CARES credits and at the end of the year the funds raised through credits are donated to the chosen organizations.

Our Classes and Staff

Ms. Tedesco appreciates that the district continues to have appropriate class sizes. The staff have been resilient throughout the COVID pandemic. They continue to be involved and supportive of students. This is reflected in survey results with students reporting that they know that many adults care about them.

Student Learning and School Learning Plan

Staff uses the Spirals of Inquiry to develop the school learning plan. In June, the staff meet and review the various assessments and based on the data from various sources, they collectively determine what the focus for the next year and the methods/programs that will be used to achieve the goals. The following June the assessment data is reviewed and what worked and what didn't work is discussed and the goal for the following year is set. The data that is used in determining the four areas of the school learning plan is:

Social Emotional Learning:	Middle Years Development Instrument, Provincial Learning Surveys
Reading:	PM Benchmarks and Whole Class Reading Assessment, Foundation Skills Assessment
Writing:	School wide write using BC Performance Standards, Foundation Skills Assessment
Numeracy:	First Steps in Math diagnostics tests, Island Math Assessment (Number sense)

In the area of Social Emotional Learning staff is helping students learn to manage their emotions as students are coming to school with worries and anxieties.

A fun activity that incorporates all of the learning areas is “Explorations”. Initially Explorations was for grade 4 to 7 students and an opportunity to try different things like cooking and drones. This year Explorations was expanded to K – 3 students with the grade 3 students being the “leaders”.

AHE Cares

Ms. Tedesco showed a series of slides of the many varied activities that took place at the school the past year. She noted that during COVID staff worked hard to keep things as normal as possible while following guidelines. She thanked the AHE Parent Advisory Council for purchasing the outdoor equipment and providing hot lunches for students. The school is looking forward to a return to normal with mug and muffin on the first day of school.

In conclusion Ms. Tedesco expressed that she feels that the staff and students have a common understanding and function as a family. She is looking forward to next year.

Trustees thanked Ms. Tedesco for her presentation and asked that she pass on their appreciation to her staff. Superintendent Hooker thanked Ms. Tedesco noting that she has created a beautiful school atmosphere making a family of staff and students.

Ms. Tedesco left the meeting at 5:37 pm.

NEW BUSINESS

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

SUPERINTENDENT HOOKER

Administration Report: Superintendent Hooker

Received as information.

Superintendent Hooker presented his Administration Report noting it is his last administration report. He highlighted the many year-end activities that took place at each of the schools such as the drama productions, band performances, art and writing show, and sports days. He noted that staffing for the 2022-2023 is nearly complete with interviews having taken place the last number of days. He attended a Social Development Committee meeting adding that Ingrid Bron, Revelstoke Director of Community Development, has requested funds for the Revelstoke Indigenous Friendship Society to support an annual Salmon Feast Celebration. Having received additional data, he and incoming Superintendent, Roberta Kubik, will be updating the Framework for Enhanced Student Learning which must be completed by September 30th, 2022.

Trustees thanked Superintendent Hooker for his report noting that they would like to see Roberta Kubik continue to provide the Administration Report in a similar format.

Policy No. 3.6 Reconciliation

Trustee Zimmer presented the revised policy noting that a great deal of thought went into this policy and she is glad to see that this policy finalized.

22: R-45 Zimmer/Pendergast

“THAT the Board of Education approve revised Policy 3.6 Reconciliation in accordance with Board Policy 2.4 District Policy Development and Review.”

CARRIED

Middle Years Development Instrument (MDI) Results for Grades 5 and 8

Superintendent Hooker presented a summary of the 2021/2022 MDI results which confirm the findings of the UBC Human Early Learning Partnership (HELP) Team on what makes Revelstoke stand out among other communities. The research of the HELP Team and the MDI confirm the high levels of connectedness students have. He noted the charts on page 27 of the Grade 8 MDI indicating that there are low levels of victimization and bullying at school in our district. The MDI provides excellent data which is used in developing the school learning plans and the District Plan for Student Success.

SECRETARY TREASURER TISDALE

2023/2024 Capital Plan

Secretary Treasurer Tisdale noted that capital plan submission is a “placeholder” at this point in time and is for the expansion of four classrooms to Begbie View Elementary School adding that the it is most likely that a portable will need to be placed at Begbie View Elementary School prior to the Ministry approving the expansion.

22: R-46 Pendergast/Rorstad

"THAT in accordance with the provisions under Section 142(4) of the *School Act*, the Board Board of Education of School District No. 19 (Revelstoke) hereby approves the proposed Five-Year Capital Plan (Major Capital Programs) for 2023/2024, as provided on the Five-Year Capital Plan Summary for 2023/2024 submitted to the Ministry of Education."

CARRIED

2022/2023 Annual Operating Budget

Secretary Treasurer Tisdale reviewed the district's budget process noting that the Budget Committee kept the focus on classrooms.

Trustees expressed their thanks to Clara Maltby, CUPE 5150 President, and Barry Rourke, RTA President and the other members of the budget committee for their collegial approach to the budget and maintaining the budget's focus on classrooms.

22: R-47 Chell/Pendergast

"THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 19 (Revelstoke) give first, second and third reading and adoption to the attached the 2022/2023 Annual Budget Bylaw in the amount of \$17,761,668."

CARRIED

Arrow Heights Elementary School – City Easement

Secretary Treasurer Tisdale reviewed the easement document which finalizes the details of the easement the City had requested and the Board discussed in April 2022.

22: R-48 Chell/Zimmer

"THAT the Revelstoke Board of Education approve the granting of an easement to the City of Revelstoke for a portion of land identified as *Statutory Right of Way* on Plan EPP121539."

CARRIED

OTHER

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Education Advisory Committee Minutes of May 31st, 2022

Trustee MacFarlane presented the minutes noting it was the last meeting of the year. The Committee reviewed the past year and the May 18th, 2022 presentation by Carolyn Roberts. There was a good discussion with the students on the Committee as to what they feel is important in school.

22: R-49 Rorstad/Pendergast

"THAT the minutes of the Education Advisory Committee meeting of May 31st, 2022 be received as presented."

CARRIED

Indigenous Education Advisory Committee Minutes of June 2nd, 2022

Trustee Zimmer presented the minutes noting the different areas that the district is embarking on in its educational journey. Sarah Newton provided an online presentation on adapting the book, Swift River written by Laura Stovel into an educational format for students.

22: R-50 Zimmer/Chell

“THAT the minutes of the Indigenous Education Advisory Committee meeting of June 2nd, 2022 be received as presented.”

CARRIED

District Parent Advisory Council Minutes of June 8th, 2022

Trustee Rorstad presented the minutes noting it was not only the last meeting of the year but also the first in person meeting of the year. He noted the DPAC’s donation of \$1,000 to each school to purchase whatever they needed, which was greatly appreciated by the schools.

22: R-51 Rorstad/Pendergast

“THAT the minutes of the District Parent Advisory Council meeting of June 8th, 2022 be received as presented.”

CARRIED

Finance and Facilities Committee Minutes of June 15th, 2022

Trustee Rorstad presented the minutes noting the focus of the meeting was the 2022/2023 annual budget.

22: R-52 Rorstad/Chell

THAT the Report on Bills Paid for January and February 2022 in the amount of \$2,791,297.52 be approved.”

CARRIED

22: R-53 Rorstad/Zimmer

THAT the Report on Bills Paid for March and April 2022 in the amount of \$2,762,686.30 be approved.”

CARRIED

22: R-54 Rorstad/Chell

“THAT the minutes of the Finance and Facilities Committee meeting of June 15th, 2022 be received as presented.”

CARRIED

TRUSTEE REPORTS

Revelstoke Board of Education Elections

Board Chair MacFarlane noted that municipal elections of the Mayor, Council and School Trustees will be taking place on October 15th, 2022. He encouraged trustees to recruit trustee candidates. Information for potential candidates from the BC School Trustees Association has been posted on the district website including a guide on being a trustee.

Board Chair MacFarlane announced that he will not be running for re-election. He has enjoyed being on the board and will miss it, but it is time to move on to other things.

Trustees Rorstad and Pendergast also announced that they will not be seeking re-election. Trustees Zimmer and Chell will be seeking re-election.

CORRESPONDENCE

PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

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

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:21 p.m. on the motion of Trustee Pendergast

CLOSED BOARD ITEMS

- Teacher Bargaining
- CUPE Bargaining
- Secondment of staff member to the Ministry of Education and Child Care.

Chair

Secretary Treasurer

DATED: June 22nd, 2022