

**PUBLIC MINUTES OF THE  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**

**Wednesday, April 11, 2012 (6:00 PM)  
DEO Board Room**

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

**BOARD MEMBERS:**

**STAFF:**

Board Chairperson – Mike Murray, Secretary-Treasurer – Wavne Jefferson  
Vice-Chairperson – Eleanor Palis, Deputy Superintendent – Laurie Meston  
Trustee – Susan Carr, Director of Communications/Community Relations – Irene Decker  
Trustee – Ken Clarkson, Executive Assistant – Tracy Urobko  
Trustee – Sarah Nelson, Director – Sarah Nelson  
Trustee – Dave Rempel

**ABSENT:**

Trustee – Kathy Marshall  
Superintendent – Jan Hewin

**A. OPENING PROCEDURES**

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

The Chair welcomed and thanked everyone for attending.

1. Correspondence

- William Van Oosh, Chairperson – School District No. 27 (Cariboo Chilcotin)
- Patti Bacchus, Chairperson – School District No. 39 (Vancouver)

Moved: Trustee Rempel

Seconded: Trustee Clarkson

THAT the Board receive all correspondence for information.

**CARRIED**

2. Ordering of Agenda

Moved: Trustee Rempel

Seconded: Trustee Carr

THAT the Agenda be ordered as circulated.

**CARRIED**

The Chair opened the floor to others wanting to speak to the Agenda.

**B. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

1. March 28, 2012 Public Board Meeting Minutes

Moved: Trustee Rempel

Seconded: Trustee Clarkson

THAT the Minutes of the March 28, 2012 Public Board Meeting be approved as circulated.

**CARRIED**

**C. PRESENTATIONS**

Michelle Schmidt, District Vice Principal, Alternate Education and Community Connections

Michelle Schmidt introduced Conata McCombo, Senior Aboriginal Worker and Mariana, and Brenda, Danachuk Child & Youth Care Worker.

Vice Principal Schmidt provided background on the collaborative efforts between Simon Fraser University, Maple Adolescent Treatment Centre, School District Nos. 42 and 43 and Keeping Kids in School.

A handout and power point was provided highlighting the efforts of relationships building with agencies, partnerships in the community, support systems for youth, working collectively with the school district and regional connections, teen resources and community networks which focus on vital networks.

**Moved:** Trustee Clarkson

**Seconded:** Trustee Carr

THAT the Board receive the presentation for information

**CARRIED**

**D. DELEGATIONS**

**E. CHAIR REPORT**

The Chair provided a brief update on Safe Schools indicating the work of the Ministry of Education will not significantly impact our School District and accordingly the District will proceed with a policy to be approved by the end of June.

**F. DEFERRED ITEMS**

**G. TRUSTEE MOTIONS**

**H. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT**

**1. Decision Items**

- a) Superintendent of Schools
- b) Deputy Superintendent
- c) Secretary Treasurer

**Proposed Draft Policies: Stakeholders and Senior Team Feedback**

The Secretary Treasurer provided background on the work of the two policies in conjunction with commitments made with partner groups.

**Moved:** Trustee Remnel

**Seconded:** Trustee Clarkson

THAT the Board Policy Development Committee recommends policies 7118 and 7119 as presented to the committee as a primary/24/7 consultation process.

**CARRIED**

Board Policy Development Committee Recommended Changes – Governance Model

**Moved:** Trustee Carr

**Seconded:** Trustee Clarkson

THAT the Board rescind Annual Budget Bylaw November 10, 2008 and replace with a Board policy as per the Procedure Bylaw on Non-Financial Bylaws under Part 5, section 3.01 (d)

IT IS FURTHER RECOMMENDED THAT the attached Budget Process Bylaw, November 10, 2008, be rescinded as read a second time

**CARRIED** (Opposed: Trustee Rempel)

**2. Information Items**

- a) Superintendent of Schools
- b) Deputy Superintendent

Deputy Superintendent is being sent information to formalize 2012 and 2013 Reporting and Report Card expectations.

- c) Secretary Treasurer

**I. COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

**J. QUESTION PERIOD**

**K. TRUSTEE REPORTS**

BC School Trustees' Association The 108<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting is fast approaching and several motions will be considered including the rescinding and replacing of the policy book. Due to discussion anticipated at the event and as Trustees will be in attendance, it was agreed for the Board to hold discussions on motions until the event.

District Parent Advisory Council Trustee Nelson attended the meeting including feedback on presentation by Laurie Smith, Resource Officer, Kootenai Support Services and Eric Langan elementary's loss of playground.

Ridge Meadows Community Arts Council Chair Murray reported the group held a strategic planning session and reformed partnerships in the community.

Ridge Meadows Education Foundation Chair Murray reported the group is working on strategies to generate funds for youth.

Social Planning Advisory Trustee Nelson reported on *distributing of lunches with dignity* and the passion behind the work. Darryl Pilonis, Executive Director of the Salvation Army attended the meeting.

Tzu Chi Foundation Trustee Rempel invited all Board members to attend the upcoming celebration at South End of Centre on May 18, 2012, at 5:00 p.m.

Youth Centre Society Michelle Schmidt, District Vice-Principal, Alternate Education and Community Connections will be providing a presentation.

Good News Items

Trustee Rempel reminded everyone of the upcoming Kootenai Wine Festival with a focus on the Rotary Club Duck Race which is a corporate initiative. All groups (including schools) that sell tickets receive 100% of proceeds.

Trustee Carr reminded everyone of the upcoming elementary School District speech competitions - MRSS and community members for their participation.

Trustee Carr acknowledged the community support of the Junior High BC for donations for the annual Dare Cook Turkey Dinner. \$6,226 has been raised and will be divided amongst the six high schools.

**L. OTHER BUSINESS**

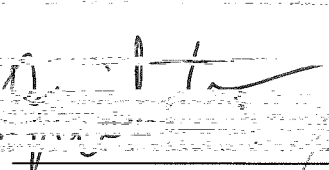
**M. ADJOURNMENT**

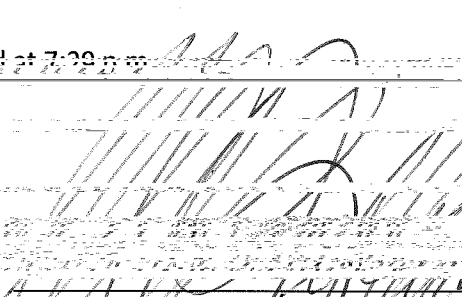
Moved: Trustee Rommel

Seconded: Trustee Clarkson

THAT the meeting of the Board be adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

**CARRIED**

  
Mike Murray, Chairperson

  
Wayne Jefferson, Secretary/Treasurer