

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 71 (COMOX VALLEY)**

**Regular Board Meeting—Public
R10/November 24, 2009
7 pm**

Present:

Trustees

Susan Barr, Chair
Janice Caton
Lori Fowler
Fran Goldberg
Corinne McLellan
Tom Weber, Vice-Chair
Danny White

Staff

Len Ibbs, Secretary-Treasurer
Jordan Tinney, Superintendent
Sherry Elwood, Assistant Superintendent
Chuck Morris, Director of Operations
MaryAnn McCrea, Director of Instruction (Student Services)
Allan Douglas, Director of Instruction (Elementary)
Lynda-Marie Handfield, Director of Human Resources
Debbie Page, Recording Secretary

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CALL TO ORDER

1.01 The Secretary Treasurer called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

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ELECTIONS

2.01 Election of the Chairperson

The Secretary Treasurer called for nominations for the position of Chairperson of the Board for the ensuing year. Trustee Janice Caton and Trustee Susan Barr were nominated. The Secretary Treasurer called a second time for nominations. Hearing none, the Secretary Treasurer called a third time for nominations. Hearing none the Secretary Treasurer closed nominations.

Motion:

It was regularly moved and seconded that Mary-Ann McCrea and Allan Douglas act as scrutineers for the voting process.

CARRIED

Vote: Trustee Susan Barr was re-elected as Board Chair for the ensuing year.

Board Chair Susan Barr thanked Trustee Caton for letting her name stand and for her contribution to the Board.

Motion:

It was regularly moved and seconded to destroy all ballots.

CARRIED

ASSUMPTION OF CHAIR BY NEW CHAIRPERSON

2.02 Election of the Vice-Chairperson

The Board Chair called for nominations for the position of Vice-Chairperson of the Board for the ensuing year. Trustee Danny White was nominated. The Board Chair called a second time for nominations. The Board Chair called for a third time for nominations and hearing none declared Trustee White as Board Vice-Chair for the ensuing year.

Board Chair Susan Barr thanked Trustee Tom Weber for his service as Vice-Chair over the past year.

C **ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF R9/October 27, 2009**

- 3.01 **Minutes of R9/October 27, 2009 Regular Board Meeting circulated earlier in draft form for Board approval.**

Motion:

It was regularly moved and seconded that the Board approve the minutes of R9/October 27, 2009 Regular Board Meeting.

CARRIED

D **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

- 4.01 **The Procedural Bylaw provides that any additions to this Agenda require the unanimous approval of all Board members present.**

Motion:

It was regularly moved and seconded that the Board waive the 48-hour notice period required under the Procedural Bylaw in order to consider additions to the Agenda, and adopt the Agenda as amended, the amendments to consist of...

CARRIED

E **REPORT ON IN-CAMERA MEETING HELD FROM 6 pm to 7 pm**

- 5.01 **Prior to the Regular Meeting, the Board held an “In-Camera” meeting.**

Personal matters were discussed.

F **PRESENTATION/DELEGATION**

- 6.01

G **OLD BUSINESS**

- 7.01 **District Grade Structure, Briefing Note, Jordan Tinney, Superintendent**

Motion:

It was regularly moved and seconded that the Board adopt a change in secondary catchment areas with the eastern boundary between Mark R. Isfeld and Highland moving from Anderton Road to McDonald Road effective January 1, 2010.

CARRIED

Motion:

It was regularly moved and seconded that the Board adopt a change in grade structure to Cumberland Junior and to Lake Trail Middle School to become 7-9 middle schools effective September 2010.

CARRIED

Note: Trustee Janice Caton did not support this recommendation

Motion:

It was regularly moved and seconded to close cross boundary requests for Mark R. Isfeld Secondary and G.P. Vanier Secondary to Grade 8, 9 and 10 students for September 2010.

DEFEATED

Motion:

It was regularly moved and seconded that the Board adopt a change in grade structure to Cumberland Elementary (K-6), Royston Elementary (K-6), Courtenay Elementary (K-6), Arden Elementary (K-6) and Ecole Puntledge Park (English K-6; French Immersion K-7) effective September 2010.

CARRIED

7.02 **C02 Levels in Schools**, Briefing Note, Chuck Morris, Director of Operations

Motion:

It was regularly moved and seconded to maintain G.P. Vanier Secondary School as our number one priority for capital planning and take preventative measures at all facilities that are identified, to lower C02 content.

DEFEATED

Motion:

It was regularly moved and seconded that this item be forwarded to the Education Committee for further discussion in January 2010.

CARRIED

7.03 **Use of 15 Passenger Vans and Non-Scheduled Transportation of Students Policy 6031 MR5**, Briefing Note, Jordan Tinney, Superintendent

Motion:

It was regularly moved and seconded that the Board adopt Policy 6031 MR5: *Non-Scheduled Transportation of Students*, as revised.

CARRIED

7.04 **Long Range Senior Secondary Program Planning**, Briefing Note, Susan Barr, Board Chair

Motion:

It was regularly moved and seconded that the Board initiate an Ad Hoc Committee of the Board to look at long range senior secondary program planning in the District.

CARRIED

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CHAIR'S REPORT

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MANAGEMENT REPORTS

- **Superintendent's Report**

8.01 **Flooding, Update**, Jordan Tinney, Superintendent

Superintendent Tinney stated that updates will be posted on the district website, along with media announcements.

- 8.02 **Policy 7050 French Immersion Program**, Briefing Note, Sherry Elwood, Assistant Superintendent

Motion:

It was regularly moved and seconded to refer the *French Immersion Program* Policy 7050 to the Education Committee for discussion, once feedback has been received from the field.

CARRIED

- 8.03 **Full Day Kindergarten**, MaryAnn McCrea, Director of Instruction, Student Services

Board information

- 8.04 **Policy 6014, Child Abuse and Neglect**, Briefing Note, MaryAnn McCrea, Director of Instruction, Student Services

Bring Forward to the December 15, 2009 regular Board Meeting for adoption.

J - Secretary Treasurer's Report

- 9.01 **2009/10 Year Capital Plan**, Briefing Note, Len Ibbs, Secretary Treasurer

Board Discussion

- 9.02 **Potential Budget Cuts for 2010/2011**, Briefing Note, Len Ibbs, Secretary Treasurer

Motion:

It was regularly moved and seconded that whereas the Board anticipates a funding shortfall of \$2.45 million for the 2010/11 school year, and whereas the Board wishes to undertake cuts that have the least impact on classroom learning, the Board directs senior staff to provide the board with a list of potential budget cuts for the 2010/11 school year. This list will be provided to the Board by January 8, 2010 and will include recommendations regarding District catering and meal costs, non-essential travel and conferences, field trips, professional partnerships and other items identified in consultation with the Board and the Budget Advisory Committee.

CARRIED

K - Human Resources Report

- 10.01 **Retirements**

Ella Mallette, Teacher, Valley View Elementary School will retire effective December 31, 2009 after 27 years of service with the district. BC Teacher Certificate: 1966.

Motion:

It was regularly moved and seconded to receive the management reports.

CARRIED

L BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

- 11.01 A) **Finance Committee**
Committee Chair: Danny White

No Finance Committee Meeting November 2009.

11.02 B) **Policy Advisory Committee**
Committee Chair: Janice Caton

Minutes from the September 15, 2009 Policy Advisory Committee Meeting were provided for information.

Minutes from the November 3, 2009 Policy Advisory Committee Meeting were provided for information.

11.02.1 **Draft Policy 7060—Grade Placement: Kindergarten to Grade 7**, Briefing Note, Jordan Tinney, Superintendent

The Board served notice of motion for adoption of Policy 7060—*Grade Placement: Kindergarten to Grade 7* and attached regulation at the January 26, 2010 regular Board meeting, with a draft to be circulated to the field and feedback requested for submission to the Superintendent by January 12, 2010.

Motion:

It was regularly moved and seconded to receive the Policy Advisory Committee report.

CARRIED

11.03 C) **Board Governance Meeting**
Committee Chair: Susan Barr

11.03.1 **Policy 1200: Correspondence**

The Board served notice of motion for adoption of Policy 1200: *Correspondence* (and attached regulation) at the January 26, 2010 regular Board Meeting.

11.03.2 **Policy 1001 R1—Policy Formation and Review**, Briefing Note, Jordan Tinney, Superintendent

Motion:

It was regularly moved and seconded that the Board adopt Policy 1001 R1: *Policy Formation and Review*, as revised and amended.

CARRIED

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BOARD APPOINTEES TO OTHER BODIES/COMMITTEE STRUCTURE

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

The Chairperson called for nominations for the position of representative to the BCSTA Provincial Council. Trustee Janice Caton was nominated. The Chairperson called for nominations a second time. Hearing none, the Chairperson called for nominations a third time. Receiving none, the Chairperson declared Trustee Janice Caton as the representative to the BC School Trustees Association Provincial Council for the 2010 calendar year.

The Chairperson called for nominations for the position of alternate representative to the BCSTA Provincial Council. Trustee Danny White was nominated. The Chairperson called for nominations a second time. Trustee Tom Weber was nominated and declined to let his name stand. The Chairperson called for nominations a third time. Receiving none, the Chairperson declared Trustee Danny White as alternate representative to the BC School Trustees Association Provincial Council for the 2010 calendar year.

12.02 **Election of Representative—B.C. Public School Employer’s Association (BCPSEA) Representative Council**

The Chairperson called for nominations for the position of representative designate to the BCPSEA Representative Council. Trustee Corinne McLellan was nominated. The Chairperson called for nominations a second time. Hearing none, the Chairperson called for nominations a third time. Receiving none, the Chairperson declared Trustee Corinne McLellan as the representative to the BC Public School Employers’ Association Representative Council for the 2010 calendar year.

The Chairperson called for nominations for the position of alternate designate to the BCPSEA Representative Council. Trustee Tom Weber was nominated. The Chairperson called for nominations a second time. Hearing none, the Chairperson called for nominations a third time. Receiving none, the Chairperson declared Trustee Tom Weber as the alternate designate to the BC Public School Employers’ Association Representative Council for the 2010 calendar year.

Note: Elected positions will begin December 1, 2009.

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NEW BUSINESS

13.01 **Trustee Resignation, Area “A” Lori Fowler**

Board Chair Susan Barr thanked Trustee Fowler for her contribution to the Board.

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CORRESPONDENCE

14.01 Jeannie Cameron, **Newly Formed Fine Arts Advisory Committee (FAAC)**

Motion:

It was regularly moved and seconded that a Trustee attend the Fine Arts Advisory Committee Meetings.

CARRIED

Note: Board will appoint a representative.

14.02 Steve Stanley, President, Comox District Teachers’ Association, **Foundation Skills Assessment Tests**

Motion:

It was regularly moved and seconded to refer this item to the December 2009 Education Committee for discussion.

CARRIED

14.03 Erika Moser, French Advisory Committee, **French Immersion Program**

Board information

14.04 Lorraine Arndt, G.P. Vanier PAC, **G.P. Vanier Secondary High School Funding**

Motion:

It was regularly moved and seconded to acknowledge, receive and file.

CARRIED

14.05 Brooklyn PAC, **Brooklyn Elementary School Air Quality**

Motion:

It was regularly moved and seconded to acknowledge, receive and file.

CARRIED

Motion:

It was regularly moved and seconded to invite the Brooklyn community to attend the Education Committee meeting in January 2010.

CARRIED

Motion:

It was regularly moved and seconded to extend the meeting in order to allow time for *Questions and Enquiries* from the public.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:20 pm

CERTIFIED CORRECT as circulated.

Chairperson

Secretary-Treasurer