



SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 47 (POWELL RIVER)
BOARD OF EDUCATION - REGULAR MEETING
3:00 PM., Wednesday, January 18, 2023
SCHOOL BOARD OFFICE

MINUTES

Present: Dale Lawson, Rob Hill, Maureen Mason, Jaclyn Miller, Kirsten Van't Schip

Also in attendance: Jay Yule (Superintendent), Steve Hopkins (Secretary-Treasurer)

Presentations

Environment Science Students – Brooks Waste Audit

Strategic & School Growth Plan Interim Report

K. Brach and A. Burt presented an interim report to Trustees. Please see agenda for presentation.

J. Johnson presented on Indigenous Education. Ayajuthem Language has been approved as a Ministry course and is now on the Ministry website. Please see agenda for presentation.

Question Period

No questions.

CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS

"This year, Jan 13th marked the second annual Black Excellence Day in British Columbia. A day to demonstrate our commitment to learning about Black history, Black art, and Black people. There were many black shirts throughout SD47 demonstrating a stand in solidarity with Black Canadians.

The District purchased seats for all students to take part in the Black Excellence Virtual Event, a space held to provide a meaningful, inclusive and accessible experience for students across Canada. We're proud of our

students and staff who recognize the critical role each of us has in demonstrating our ongoing commitment to moving forward together in a society that is grounded in equity, is curious, knowledgeable, and appreciative of diversity and culture throughout our community.

Each January communities across the province celebrate Family Literacy Week, this year the celebration is from January 22nd to the 29th. Decoda, the province wide literacy organization has announced this year's theme title "Make it count! Play *Sort* Measure". School activities will be profiled through district social media channels to highlight some of the literacy focussed activities students will engage in throughout literacy week.

Anyone can visit the [Decoda website](#) for FREE Family Literacy Week resources. Decoda also holds an annual Family Literacy Week photo contest open to all BC residents for a chance to win prizes.

Lastly, as we begin this new year, we also begin the vitally important process of developing our 2023-2027 Strategic plan. We're looking forward to strengthening our understanding of the complexities involved in building a solid strategic plan as a new board. It's an exciting time for all of us to think about what's possible and we look forward to engaging with all stakeholders to help inform planning and share goals to support student success".

1. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Moved: R. Hill
Seconded: M. Mason

THAT the Regular meeting agenda of January 23, 2023, be adopted as circulated.

Status: Carried

2. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

Moved: J. Miller
Seconded: K. Van't Schip

THAT the Regular meeting minutes of December 21, 2022, be adopted as circulated.

Status: Carried

3. **REPORT OF CLOSED MEETINGS**

3.a) December 14, 2022 – The Board met in-camera to discuss items concerning personnel and legal matters.

4. **CORRESPONDENCE**

INCOMING

4.a) SD5 to Hon. R. Singh, Minister of Education and Child Care
For information.

- 4.b) Vancouver Coastal Health Memo, re: Medical Health Officer Team Update
For information.

Moved: R. Hill
Seconded: M. Mason

THAT the correspondence listed in items 4.a) to 4.b) be received.

Status: Carried

5. OUTGOING CORRESPONDENCE

- 5.a) SD47 to PR Festival of Performing Arts
For information.
- 5.b) SD47 to M. Riddle
For information.
- 5.c) SD47 to hegus J. Hackett with attachment: ~~ta~~amun Education Agreement
For information.
- 5.b) SD47 to hegus J. Hackett, re: Name Change
For information.

Call to Action letter suggested by J. Miller has been referred to TEA Committee. Hoping that a joint letter from District and the Nation can be sent in the future.

6. SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS' REPORT

- 6.a) Mental Health Literacy Research – Pilot Project at JT and WV
J. Yule spoke to a pilot project spearheaded by D. Thorsell which will enable assessments and resources to be created.
- 6.b) Informational updates to Administrative Procedures
- i) AP 132 – Emergency School Closure
Updated 1.2 – those on leave stay on leave. Day paid is for those who were scheduled and intending to be at work.
 - ii) AP 165 – Emergency Preparedness Appendix Critical Incident Guide
This is being forwarded to the Health & Safety Committee to review.
 - iii) AP 222 – Independent Directed Studies
For information.
- 6.c) Suspension, Exclusion, and Seclusion Report – September 6, 2022, to December 31, 2022
For information.

Moved: R. Hill
Seconded: K. Van't Schip

THAT the Superintendent of Schools' Report be received as presented.

Status: Carried

7. SECRETARY-TREASURER'S REPORT

7.a) Learning Improvement Fund (LIF) Information

S. Hopkins reported on allocation of LIF funds. Please see report in agenda for details.

7.b) Month End Financial Report as at December 31, 2022

S. Hopkins reviewed the report included with the agenda.

Moved: R. Hill
Seconded: J. Miller

THAT the Secretary-Treasurer's Report be received as presented.

Status: Carried

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

8.a) Committee of the Whole Report for January 11, 2023

QUESTION PERIOD

MEDIA QUESTION PERIOD

ADJOURNMENT

Moved: K. Van't Schip

THAT the Regular Board Meeting be adjourned at 4:25 p.m.

Status: Carried



D. Lawson
Chairperson



S. Hopkins
Secretary-Treasurer

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