

School District #47 (Powell River)

REGULAR MEETING
4:00 P.M., TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2009
SCHOOL BOARD OFFICES

MINUTES

Present: D. Lewis, M. James, A. Reid, J. Scott, D. Skinner

Also in attendance: J. Yule, S. Hopkins

PRESENTATIONS:

Student Exchange Program re: German Students

R. Perrault, Vice-Principal of Brooks Secondary School, introduced to the Board, the public and staff, the group of students visiting from Germany as part of a student exchange.

Gail Scholefield and Liz Kennedy re: Lang Creek Garden Project

G. Scholefield and L. Kennedy spoke to student participation in the Lang Creek Garden Project and Salmon Hatchery enhancements. They thanked the Board for its ongoing support of Lang Creek, the Salmon Hatchery and facilities.

Principal, Carol Brown, re: Aerospace Camp and Art Starts Grant

C. Brown, Principal of Texada Elementary School, presented to the Board a plaque commemorating the annual Aerospace Camp held on Texada Island during the summer.

QUESTION PERIOD:

There were no questions.

CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS:

Chairperson, D. Lewis, spoke to several events taking place throughout the school district:

Texada Elementary

Logging & Mining Mural – the school got a grant! Arts Starts gave Texada School a matching grant to create a logging and mining mural on

the outside wall of the Museum/Fine Arts Grant (aka Old School).
Dobie Dobrostanski has been accepted as the artist. This project will
involve every student.

Edgehill Elementary

Destination Conservation – Edgehill is lucky to be participating in this
fabulous program, surveying the school’s energy use. They will then
formulate an energy saving campaign to help reduce energy
consumption.

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

It was
MOVED by J. Scott; seconded by D. Skinner:

“THAT the Agenda be approved as presented.”

CARRIED

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

It was
MOVED by A. Reid; Seconded by D. Skinner:

“THAT the Regular and Closed Minutes of September 15, 2009 and
October 13, 2009 be approved as presented.”

CARRIED

3. CORRESPONDENCE:

INCOMING:

a) School District #38 re: UBCM Motions

J. Yule reported that he had previously conveyed the Board’s concerns
regarding disposal of assets to the Mayor and the City.

b) School District #38 re: AFG Boiler Replacement

Received for information.

- c) School District #20, 23, 39, 42, 43, 44, 47, 50 51, 67, 75, 91 re: AFG (Annual Facilities Grant)

Received for information.

- d) School District #39 re: Reinstatement of AFG

Received for information.

- e) School District #10, 73 re: Funding

Received for information.

- f) School District #22 re: Funding Cuts

Received for information.

- g) School District #39, 53 re: Education Funding

Received for information.

- h) School District #42 re: HST Exemption

Received for information.

- i) School District #35 re: Application of HST

Received for information.

- j) School District #28 re: News Release

Received for information.

- k) School District #28 re: Backgrounder

Received for information.

- l) School District #28 re: Boards of Education & Tax Status

Received for information.

- m) School District #75 re: School Lands

Received for information.

- n) School District #20, 68 re: UBCM Motion – School Land

Received for information.

- o) School District #39 re: Student Grant – PAC
Received for information.
- p) School District #39 re: H1N1 Virus
Received for information.
- q) School District #38 re: Defer All-Day Kindergarten
Received for information.
- r) School District #39 re: All-Day Kindergarten
Received for information.
- s) School District #57 re: Financial Issues
Received for information.
- t) School District #38 re: Budget 2010 Consultation
Received for information.
- u) School District #20 re: Children In Care Funding
Received for information.
- v) Western Forest Products re: Woods Tour – Thank you
Received for information.

OUTGOING:

- a) School District #47 re: Annual Facilities Grant
Received for information.

It was
MOVED by J. Scott; Seconded by D. Skinner

“THAT the correspondence be received and filed.”

CARRIED

4. REPORTS:

a) Superintendent of Schools' Report:

- NASA Space Station Initiative
 - J. Yule spoke briefly to the Board's participation in the NASA Space Station initiative taking place at the Max Cameron Theatre on October 22, 2009.

- All Day Kindergarten Initiative
 - J. Yule spoke briefly to the Board's plans to request support for all day Kindergarten for each of the community's 6 elementary schools.

- September 30, 2009 Enrolment
 - For information.

- Suspension Report – September 2009
 - For information.

It was
MOVED by A. Reid; seconded by J. Scott:

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

CARRIED

b) Secretary-Treasurer's Report:

- Grief Point Project Update
 - Mr. Hopkins reported that the school district had contracted with Mr. Doug Hibbins of Trillium Consulting to provide project management services for the duration of the Grief Point Elementary School project.

- Audit Report
 - Mr. Hopkins spoke briefly to the Boards annual audit report noting that it was not ready for distribution the previous month when the audited financial statements were adopted by the board.
- Month End Financial Report – as at September 30, 2009
 - Mr. Hopkins reported that finances for the month of September were consistent with the same period the previous year.

c) Committee Reports:

- Draft Sustainability Charter

It was
MOVED by A. Reid; seconded by J. Scott:

“THAT the draft Sustainability Charter be supported as presented.”

CARRIED

QUESTION PERIOD:

PRDTA – the Suspension Report doesn’t total correctly.
Mr. Yule acknowledged that the report had an error stating that it would be corrected.

MEDIA QUESTION PERIOD:

No questions.

ADJOURNMENT:

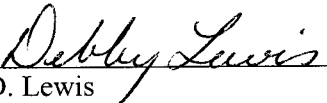
There being no further business –

It was


MOVED by M. James; seconded by J. Scott:

“THAT the Regular Board Meeting be adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

CARRIED



D. Lewis
Chair



S. Hopkins
Secretary-Treasurer

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