

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING HELD AT THE  
DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION OFFICE ON MARCH 22, 2016**

**PRESENT WERE:** Elizabeth Condrotte, Chairperson  
Denise Husband, Trustee  
Wilson Brown, Trustee

**ALSO PRESENT:** Angus Wilson, Superintendent of Schools  
Shelley Sansome, Secretary Treasurer

**ABSENT WERE:** Kim Goetzinger, Trustee  
Harmony Williams, Trustee

**MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC:**

Leighann Rodger  
Maureen Benoit  
Steve Querengesser  
Sarah Davidson  
Stacey Marple  
Marcie Watkins  
Emily Collins  
Darcy Pollard  
Lucy Neville  
Laura Bishop  
Jenny White  
Toby Sanmiya  
Jenny Kellar

**1. Call to Order**

Chair Condrotte called the meeting to order at 1907 hours and acknowledged that the meeting was held on the traditional territory of the Haida Nation.

**2. Approval of Agenda**

RI6032901 MOTION BY DENISE HUSBAND  
SECONDED BY WILSON BROWN

THAT the agenda be approved with the following additions:

- 4.1 Mt. Moresby Adventure Camp;
- 4.2 After School Sports and Art Initiative;
- 4.3 Changing Results in Young Readers;
- 7.5 Agnes L. Mathers Field Trip Application.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**3. Approval of the Minutes of Prior Meetings and Receipt of Records of Closed Meetings**

**3.1 January 26, 2016 Rise and Report**

The Superintendent of Schools reported on property, personnel and student matters from the February 22 and 23, 2016 In-camera meetings.

**3.2 Approval of Minutes**

RI6032902 MOTION BY WILSON BROWN  
SECONDED BY DENISE HUSBAND

THAT the minutes of the regular meeting of February 23, 2016 be approved as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

**4. Delegations/Presentations**

**4.1 Mt. Moresby Adventure Camp**

Representatives of Mt. Moresby Adventure Camp thanked the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) for financial support over the past several years. They provided a brief history of the camp, future plans and their commitment to work in conjunction with other camps to share resources.

**4.2 After School Sport and Arts Initiative Award**

Jenny White representing DASH, a nonprofit organization with the aim to support healthy schools in BC, presented Haida Gwaii Rec in partnership with School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) the 2015 Premier's award for innovation.

**4.3 Changing Results in Young Readers**

Principal Rodger and Teacher Watkins updated the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) on the Changing Results in Young Readers program that has been running for the past four years with involvement from nine teachers. The presenters thanked the board for financial support and requested funding be made available so the program can continue during the 2016/2017 school year.

**5. Reports**

**5.1 Report from Chair**

The Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) received and filed the Chairperson's written report.

RI6032903 MOTION BY WILSON BROWN  
SECONDED BY DENISE HUSBAND

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) write a letter to community organizations to set a meeting date to discuss transportation on Haida Gwaii.

MOTION CARRIED

## **5.2 Trustee Reports**

- Trustee Husband reported on her attendance at a Queen Charlotte Secondary Parent Advisory Council meeting, a district sports committee conference call, a meeting regarding the special education and enrolment audit, as well as a meeting with the Queen Charlotte Secondary Principal regarding school budgets.
- Trustee Brown reported on his attendance at a Tahayghen Elementary and George M. Dawson Secondary Parent Advisory Council meetings, meetings with Old Massett Village Council Chief and Education Administrator, efforts to increase stakeholder involvement in educational decision-making processes, visits to schools, and discussed an opportunity for a northern forum to address stakeholder questions regarding new curriculum.

## **5.3 Superintendent of Schools' Report**

The Superintendent of Schools reported on his involvement with budget meetings, a conference call with a Member of the Legislative Assembly, conference calls, and met with the Scholarship Foundation of the Pacific.

## **5.4 Secretary Treasurer's Report**

The Secretary Treasurer reported on her involvement with preparing the draft 2016/2017 preliminary budget, attendance at budget meetings, recruitment of the Working Foreman position, leave of absence management and confidential personnel matters.

## **5.5 Trustee Expenditure Report**

RI6032904 MOTION BY DENISE HUSBAND  
SECONDED BY WILSON BROWN

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) receive and file the Trustee expenditure report for the month of February 2016.

MOTION CARRIED

## **6. Strategic and Policy Issues**

### **6.1 Budget Process Update**

The Secretary Treasurer updated the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) on the budget meetings process.

## **7. Operational Issues**

### **7.1 Enrolment/Special Education Audit**

The Superintendent of Schools updated the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) on the recent enrolment and special education audit. Corrections have been made to enrolment and special education at the cost of approximately \$120,000 in reduced funding. All items identified in the audit have been addressed at the schools.

## **7.2 January Finance Voucher**

RI6032905 MOTION BY WILSON BROWN  
SECONDED BY DENISE HUSBAND

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) receives and files the Accounts Payable and Payroll for February 2016.

MOTION CARRIED

## **7.3 2016/2017 Calendar**

RI6032906 MOTION BY WILSON BROWN  
SECONDED BY DENISE HUSBAND

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) approve the 2016/2017 Calendar as presented with amendment to non-instructional days.

MOTION CARRIED

## **7.4 Estimated Operating Grant**

The Secretary Treasurer informed the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) that the 2016/2017 Estimated Operating Grant will be less \$320,000 than this year's grant.

## **7.5 Field Trip**

RI6032907 MOTION BY DENISE HUSBAND  
SECONDED BY WILSON BROWN

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) approve the field trip application submitted by Agnes L. Mathers Elementary Jr. Secondary School.

MOTION CARRIED

## **8. Questions from the public**

The Board of Education and members of the public held a question and answer period. The following agenda items were discussed:


- Enrolment audit results not available to district yet;
- Special education audit report can be made available to public upon request with confidential information removed;
- Audit funding reduction implemented immediately;
- Distributed learning model financial implications;
- Alternative for tsunami evacuation bussing costs;
- Change of pro-d day rationale;
- Water lead testing in schools;
- Estimated operating grant.


**9. Adjournment**

RI6032908 MOTION BY WILSON BROWN

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) adjourns the Regular Board meeting at 2035 hours.

MOTION CARRIED

  
Secretary Treasurer

  
Chairperson