

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING HELD ON
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2018 BY VIDEOCONFERENCE**

PRESENT WERE: Roeland Denooij, Chair
Dana Moraes, Vice Chair
Patrick Moores, Trustee
Julia Breese, Trustee

ALSO PRESENT WERE: Joanne Yovanovich, Interim Superintendent
Shelley Sansome, Secretary Treasurer
Colleen Bradley, Confidential Administrative Assistant (note-taker)

REGRETS: Wilson Brown

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC: Stephen Querengesser
Leighann Rodgers
Frieda Davis
Donna Wesley
Steve Goffic
Andrew Hudson
Blair Weinberg
Warren McIntyre
Warren Wesley

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Denooij called the meeting to order at 16:02 hours. Chairperson Denooij addressed the public in Xaayda Kil and in English to give thanks and to acknowledge that we gather on Xaayda territory.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

R18121801 THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) approve the agenda as circulated with the following amendments:

7.11 – Communication Strategy

7.12 – Ministerial order M226

8.2.1 Recommendation from Finance & Audit Committee regarding
2019/2020 Budget

MOVED BY: Trustee Moraes

SECOND: Trustee Breese

MOTION CARRIED

3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PRIOR MEETING AND RECEIPT OF RECORDS OF CLOSED MEETINGS

3.1 October 2018 Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting

3.2 November 27, 2018 In-Camera Board Meeting Rise and Report – The Superintendent of Schools reported on personnel, property and students.

3.3 December 18, 2018 In-Camera Board Meeting Rise and Report – The Superintendent of Schools reported on personnel, and student matters.

4. REPORT ON ACTION FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

4.1 D.14 Physical Restraint and Seclusion Policy - No changes were made from the version presented at the November 27, 2018 meeting.

R18121802 THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) approve the Physical Restraint and Seclusion Policy.

MOVED BY: Trustee Moraes

SECOND: Trustee Breese

MOTION CARRIED

- 4.2 Vancouver Island Regional Library Update – The Superintendent of Schools stated that there have been discussions with the Vancouver Island Regional Library regarding another public library to be situated in Sandspit. Some of the discussion was to address questions and concerns the District has including building size, benefits to the School District, and whether the partnership would be similar to the partnership in Port Clements. The Superintendent of Schools said that we are hoping to have a response from Vancouver Island Regional Library in January 2019

5. DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

- 5.1 Google Meet – Steve Goffic, IT Manager - Steve Goffic did a demonstration of Google Meet, which is an online meeting platform that can make it possible for stakeholders to attend Board meetings from their computers or hand held devices. He described what the program was and demonstrated how it works.

6. REPORTS

- 6.1 Report from Chair – Chairperson Denooij reported that he attended the Parent Advisory Committee meetings at Gidgalang Kuuyas Naay and Tahayghen Elementary Schools. He participated on a call with the Ministry of Education to discuss the grad program and that he will be participating on another call with the Ministry to discuss the Funding Model. Chairperson Denooij attended the Village of Queen Charlotte council meeting and expressed an interest in the Board working collaboratively with Council. He has also met with Mayor Olsen. At the end of November Chairperson Denooij attended the Trustee's Academy hosted by the BC School Trustees' Association in Vancouver where he gained a lot of insights. He has also been attending the Skidegate Haida Immersion Program where he is works with Elders to learn Xaayda Kil.

6.2 Trustee Reports

- Trustee Moores reported that he attended the Tahayghen Parent Advisory Committee meeting, Tahayghen's Winter Festival and several Board meetings.
- Trustee Breese reported that she has attended several Board meetings, she attended the Trustee Academy in Vancouver, and the Port Clements Christmas concert.
- Trustee Moraes reported that she has been to the Skidegate Haida Immersion Program to work on Xaayda Kil, and that all the Trustees have been invited.

R18121803 THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) receive and file the Trustee reports.

MOVED BY: Trustee Breese

SECOND: Trustee Moores

MOTION CARRIED

6.3 Superintendent of Schools Report – The Superintendent of Schools reported on the Principal reports she has received, she discussed the District's declining enrolment and is hopeful enrolment will begin to increase. She attended the Trustee Academy in November, participated in the Early Learning planning, and the Knowledge Exchange and Program Enhancements at the Kaay Center. She has attended the Haida Foods Committee meeting, the Principal Vice Principal meeting, the Labour Management meeting, Haida Language and Culture meeting and an in-camera meeting. The Superintendent of Schools has been involved with addressing personnel issues, participated with staff interviews, attended the Finance Audit and Committee meeting and teleconferenced with the Ministry regarding grad requirements.

6.4 Secretary Treasurer Report – The Secretary Treasurer submitted a written report. She also spoke about who our District Administration staff is and what roles and responsibilities they have.

6.5 Principal Reports

R18121804 THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) receive and file the Management and Principal reports.

MOVED BY: Trustee Moraes

SECOND: Trustee Breese

MOTION CARRIED

6.6 November 2018 Trustee Expenditure Reports

R18121805 THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) receive and file the Trustee Expenditure Report for November 2018.

MOVED BY: Trustee Breese

SECOND: Trustee Moraes

MOTION CARRIED

7. STRATEGIC AND POLICY ISSUES

7.1 Truth and Reconciliation Commission: Calls to Action – A document outlining the timeline of Indigenous history of education in Canada and British Columbia. This document had been shared at Trustee Academy and provided a good discussion group, powerful messages, offers another perspective and hope that the document is shared.

7.2 Draft Revised Board Procedures Policy - Crossed out sections are what is recommended to change. There was a brief discussion for clarification of some of the crossed out areas.

R18121806 THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) circulate revisions to stakeholders for 30 days for input regarding the changes.

MOVED BY: Trustee Moraes

SECOND: Trustee Moores

MOTION CARRIED

7.3 Draft Revised Personal Property Policy

R18121807 THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) circulate revisions to stakeholders for 30 days for input regarding the changes.

MOVED BY: Trustee Breese

SECOND: Trustee Moraes
MOTION CARRIED

7.4 Student Trustee – School District No. 46, Sunshine Coast, has a Student Trustee and a document was provided in the Board package. It seems logical to have a high school student attend Board meetings to inform the Board of things the Board may not be aware of. Student input would be beneficial. Google Meet could resolve travel and attendance obstacles for student representative.

R18121808 THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) request the Superintendent of Schools speak with Principals regarding the viability of having a one student representative from North end and one from the South end.

MOVED BY: Trustee Moores
SECOND: Trustee Moraes
MOTION CARRIED

7.5 Trustee Orientation Conferences – The Board would like to reduce costs associated with travel by reducing the number of Trustees attending off island training. The Board will use Trustee portfolios to help decide attendance. The Board has funds that need to be spent by June 30, 2019 and is hoping to re-direct some of those funds to supporting classrooms.

R18121809 THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) send one to two Trustees to BC School Trustee's Association (BCSTA) leadership conference and to the BC Public Schools Employers' Association (BCPSEA) Orientation.

MOVED BY: Trustee Moraes
SECOND: Trustee Moores
MOTION CARRIED

7.6 January Board Meeting

R18121810 THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) move the Regular Board meeting from January 22, 2019 to January 29, 2019.

MOVED BY: Trustee Moores
SECOND: Trustee Moraes
MOTION CARRIED

7.7 Thought Exchange Platform – This is a very polished, sophisticated online survey site that would help engage stakeholders in large decision making processes. First year cost is \$10,000, second year cost is \$17,000, and third year cost is \$24,000. The Board discussed finding an alternative, more cost effective method to engage stakeholders.

R18121811 THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) enter into a three year agreement with Thought Exchange.

MOVED BY: Trustee Moraes
SECOND: Trustee Moores
MOTION DEFEATED

7.8 Policy H.12 Workplace Discrimination, Bullying and Harassment – The current policy is not in compliance with WorkSafe language The new draft policy was circulated in April 2018 with no

feedback or major changes but did not make it back on agenda for the Board to vote. It was suggested to edit out gendered language.

R18121812 THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) circulate policy H.12 to stakeholders to obtain input on changes.

MOVED BY: Trustee Moraes

SECOND: Trustee Breese

MOTION CARRIED

7.9 Student Suspension Policy

R18121813 THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) direct Administration to make a draft revision of the Student Suspension Policy to present to the Board.

MOVED BY: Trustee Breese

SECOND: Trustee Moores

MOTION CARRIED

7.10 Community Engagement Facilitator RFP – There have been no responses so far. It closes January 4, 2019. It was discussed that there may be a need to look for alternatives and to seek a different strategy. The Board will make a decision in January 2019.

7.11 Communication Strategy – Julia – board has discussed a strategic plan; clearly written plan how board communicates to public

R18121814 THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) create a communication protocol to present at the next board meeting.

MOVED BY: Trustee Moraes

SECOND: Trustee Moores

MOTION CARRIED

7.12 Chairperson Denooij reported that The Education Minister, Rob Flemming, has appointed Piet Langstraat as a Special Advisor to our board to assist with governance and strategic planning. The board is looking forward to receiving support from Mr. Langstraat as he brings with him a wealth of knowledge and experience. He recently retired from the position of Superintendent of Schools from the Greater Victoria School District.

8 OPERATIONAL ISSUES

8.1 November 2018 Finance Vouchers

R18121815 THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) approve the November 2018 Financial Vouchers.

MOVED BY: Trustee Moores

SECOND: Trustee Breese

MOTION CARRIED

8.2 2018/2019 Budget –The Ministry of Education bases budget on the September 30th student count. This year's count was less than initially budgeted (\$46000 less). The Enrolment Decline Fund and Funding Protection (\$300,000) balance the deficit out. The previous Board had motioned to move \$341,000 to Capital Funding. A recommendation is to only take \$200,000 and move to Capital Funding.

R18121816 THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) receive and file 2018/2019 update.

MOVED BY: Trustee Breese
SECOND: Trustee Moraes
MOTION CARRIED

R18121817 THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) reduce all non-essential travel by trustees and to put savings into school support.

MOVED BY: Trustee Moores
SECOND: Trustee Breese
MOTION CARRIED

R18121818 THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) transfer \$200,000 from Funding Protection to Local Capital to be allocated to major capital projects.

MOVED BY: Trustee Moores
SECOND: Trustee Breese
MOTION CARRIED

8.3 Field Trip Application

R18121819 THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) approve the field trip applications submitted by Tahayghen Elementary for surfing and archery.

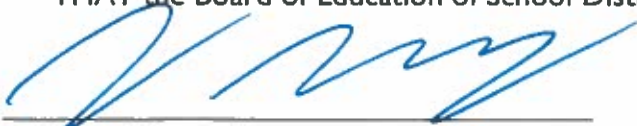
MOVED BY: Trustee Moraes
SECOND: Trustee Breese
MOTION CARRIED

9 QUESTIONS AND ENQUIRIES RELATING TO THE BOARD MEETING

- Thought Exchange and what software School District No. 50 already has for creating surveys
- Ministerial order – our board has a supervisor, there to guide us and assist our board, he has all access to all meetings and documents; paid for my ministry; use his assets to build strategic plans, will make strong gains for our board
- Google Meet platform;
- Canada customs and revenue spending clarification

10 ADJOURNMENT

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) adjourn the meeting at 18:37 hours.



Chairperson



Secretary Treasurer