

# ***Haida Gwaii***

**AGENDA of the REGULAR MEETING of the Board of Education  
School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii)**

## **ADDITIONS & ATTACHMENTS II**

**LOCATION:** Videoconferencing: District Administration Office, Daajing Giids/Queen Charlotte; Gudangaay Tlaats'гаа Naay Secondary, Gaw Tlagee/Masset and via Google Meet  
**DATE:** April 02, 2019  
**TIME:** 6:00 PM

**DISTRIBUTION LIST:** Trustees  
All Staff  
CUPE Local 2020  
Haida Gwaii Teachers' Association  
Haida Gwaii Observer  
Old Massett Village Council  
Skidegate Band Council  
Skidegate Haida Immersion Program  
School District No. 50 Website  
District Parent Advisory Councils  
Village of Queen Charlotte  
Village of Port Clements  
Village of Masset

### **ADDITIONS AND ATTACHMENTS:**

- 6.1 Special Advisor Report
- 8.0 Chairperson Report
- 9.2 By-Election Update

# Memo

**To:** Board of Education SD50 (Haida Gwaii)  
**From:** Piet Langstraat, Special Advisor  
**Date:** April 2, 2019  
**Re:** Public Meeting Items

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There are a number of items I would like to share and discuss with the Board of Education.

1. February 26, 2019 Board Meeting

At the Board of Education Meeting held February 26, 2019 I addressed a number of concerns that had been expressed by the public. These included concerns about the conduct of the Board Chair as well as general concerns about the operations of the District. Subsequent to the meeting additional concerns were brought to my attention.

These concerns included:

- The manner in which the interim Superintendent was notified that the Board was going to undertake a search for a permanent Superintendent.
- The Board's involvement in the appointment of the Special Advisor.
- The extent to which the former Superintendent continued to have involvement in the operations of the District.

At the time of the writing of this memorandum I have not concluded my investigation of these concerns. A verbal update will be provided at the Board meeting.

2. Amalgamation of Tahayghen Elementary and Gudangaay Tlaats'gaa Naay Secondary Schools

At the public meeting of April 24, 2018 the Board of Education passed the following motion:

*That the Haida Gwaii Board of Education of SD 50 (Haida Gwaii) approve to begin the process to amalgamate Tahayghen Elementary and Gudangaay Tlaats'gaa Naay Secondary.*

The District has received correspondence from the Ministry of Education requesting a Draft Business Plan by July 31, 2019.

As a result the interim Superintendent and the Special Advisor will be hosting a number of meetings with staff and the public to discuss plans for the amalgamation. The dates and times of the public meetings are as follows:

- April 3, 2019 – 6:00 p.m. Gudangaay Tlaats'gaa Nayy
- April 25, 2019 – 6:00 p.m. Gudangaay Tlaats'gaa Nayy

**3. Superintendent Search Update**

The Special Advisor wishes to thank all staff and community members who participated in the in-person meetings and the online survey regarding the desirable attributes of a Superintendent. The comments gathered throughout this process have been posted on the District website.

An advertisement has been posted with a closing date of April 12, 2019.

The next steps in the process will be to review the applications, short list potential candidates and hold interviews. It is expected that interviews will take place early in May..

**4. SD 50 Learning Framework**

The Special Advisor, District Office staff and school principals will begin working on a Learning Framework for SD 50 on April 3, 2019. The intent is to review student success data and to focus on planning for future educational services in SD 50.

## Dana Moraes Report

- February 27 - Met with Piet and Julia to discuss Salary increases for Exempt staff.
- March 7 - Attended Pro-D meeting at SNES
- March 12 - Attended Career Fair at GKNSS
- March 15, - Attended SHIP. Announcement that 9 fluent speaking elders will receive an honorary doctorate from VIU.
- Planning to attend BCSTA AGM in Richmond April 25-28

## Roeland report:

GKNSS Pac meeting

Pink shirt day and kindness dinner in SNES

Working with SA on SI hiring process

Spring break

**PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA**

*Ministerial Order No.* M112

**ORDER OF THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION**

WHEREAS the Board of Education for School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) (the "Board") has scheduled a general voting day for May 11, 2019 for the by-election of a trustee;

AND WHEREAS section 85 of the Local Government Act (the "Act") requires that the chief election officer issue a notice of nomination under this section in accordance with section 50 at least 6 days but not more than 30 days before the nomination period begins;

AND WHEREAS section 50 of the Act requires notice to be given by publication in a newspaper in accordance with section 4 of the Schedule to the Act;

AND WHEREAS section 4 of the Schedule to the Act requires that notice by publication in a newspaper must be published in accordance with section 94 (1) (b) of the Community Charter;

AND WHEREAS section 94 of the Community Charter requires that notice be published once each week for two consecutive weeks;

AND WHEREAS the chief election officer will not be able to meet the requirements set by the Community Charter due to publication limitations at the local newspaper;

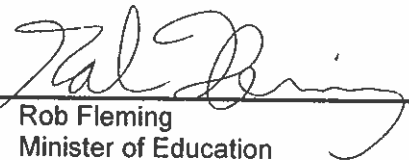
AND WHEREAS pursuant to section 167 of the Act, if the minister considers that special circumstances exist regarding an election, the minister may make any order the minister considers appropriate to achieve the purposes of Part 3 of the Act, including providing an exception to or modification of the Act or a regulation or bylaw under the Act;

AND WHEREAS I am satisfied that the chief election officer intends to use various means to make the public aware of the notice of nomination and that special circumstances exist with respect to the intent to publish the notice of nomination;

I, Rob Fleming, Minister of Education, hereby order that:

- 1 The requirement under sections 50 and 85 of the Act to issue notice of a nomination by publication in a newspaper is waived for the May 11, 2019 by-election of a trustee in School District No. 50; and
- 2 As soon as practicable following the date of this order, the chief election officer for the Board must use any alternative means that the Board considers necessary to inform the public of the notice of nomination.

March 25, 2019  
Date

  
Rob Fleming  
Minister of Education

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*(This part is for administrative purposes only and is not part of the Order.)*

**Authority under which Order is made:**

Acts and sections: School Act, R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 412, s. 36, s. 45, Local Government Act, R.S.B.C. 2015, s. 167