# MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING HELD AT VIDEOCONFERENCE AT GUDANGAAY TLAATS'GAA NAAY SECONDARY SCHOOL IN MASSET AND THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION OFFICE IN QUEEN CHARLOTTE ON JANUARY 24, 2017

PRESENT WERE:

Harmony Williams, Chairperson

Kim Goetzinger, Vice Chairperson

Denise Husband, Trustee

Elizabeth Condrotte, Trustee via teleconference

**ALSO PRESENT:** 

Dawna Johnson-Day, Superintendent of Schools

Steve Goffic, Facilities Manager

Kirsten Gillespie, Confidential Admin Assistant/Minute Taker

**ABSENT WERE:** 

Shelley Sansome, Secretary Treasurer

Wilson Brown, Trustee

### **MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC:**

Maureen Benoit Leighann Rodgers Tricia Jung Donna Douglas Ken Thompson Andrew Hudson

# 1. Appoint Superintendent to position of Secretary Treasurer for Length of Meeting

R17012401

THAT The Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) appoint Superintendent Dawna Johnson-Day to position of Secretary Treasurer for length of the meeting.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

### 2. Call to Order

Chairperson Williams called the meeting to order at 1802 hours and acknowledged that the meeting was held on traditional territory of the Haida Nation.

# 3. Approval of Agenda

R17012402 THAT the agenda be approved as circulated.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

# 4. Approval of the Minutes of Prior Meeting and Receipt of Records of Closed Meetings

R17012403

THAT the minutes of the regular meeting of December 13, 2016 be approved with the amendment to Chairperson Williams calling the meeting to order, not Trustee Condrotte.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

### 5. Delegations/Presentations

None

### 6. Reports

# 6.1 Reports from the Chair

Chairperson Williams reported on her attendance at a policy meeting and that she was catching up on her new role as chair.

### 6.2 Trustee Reports

- Trustee Denise Husband reported on conducting research into Truth and Reconciliation, the Carver Model, and viewing Justice Murray Sinclair's video. She also responded to complaints from some Sandspit parents regarding lack of bussing and unfair payments of transportation.
- Trustee Kim Goetzinger attended a policy meeting and sent out an email regarding the next
  North West Branch Meeting that will be held in Haida Gwaii in September. She watched a video
  on the Truth and Reconciliation and sent it to our board members. She received a call from an
  elder who attended a PAC meeting and she is still attending night classes at the Skidegate Haida
  Immersion Program to learn the Haida language.
- Trustee Condrotte submitted a written report.

## 6.3 Superintendent of Schools Report

The Superintendent of Schools reported on attending meetings with Skidegate Band Council (SBC) and Old Masset Village Council (OMVC), working on creating additional teaching positions resulting from the Supreme Court of Canada decision, establishing a district team on Youth Mental Health Strategy, attending Distributed Learning meetings, communications with all Principals, transportation issues, attendance at a District Parent Advisory Council and a Pro-D Committee meeting, meeting with parents regarding student challenges, participating in a Policy Committee meeting, she has made improvements to the district website, drafting a school year calendar. Lastly, she attended the senior daycare program in Skidegate.

### 6.4 Secretary Treasurer Report

Superintendent Dawna Johnson-Day reported on behalf of Secretary Treasurer Sansome that she has been working on attendance management, completing Student Achievement Data Exchange (SADE) report and two WorkSafe BC investigations. She has been active on the Oceanview Drive sale. She met with HGTA president and reps of BCTF to meld the old contract with the most recent copy should be on its way. She attended a meeting with Skidegate Band Council. She has been working extensively on the Supreme Court of Canada decision. She has been consulting with Mr. Goffic on the Agnes L. Mathers replacement. She has also been working on budget software conversions and looking at budget provisions for 2017-2018 enrollment reports. Lastly, she has been dealing with confidential personnel matters.

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THAT The Board of Education of School District No.50 (Haida Gwaii) accepts the Trustee and senior management reports.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

### 6.5 Trustee Expenditure Report

R17012405

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

**MOTION CARRIED** 

## 7. Strategic and Policy Issues

### 7.1 Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada: Calls to Action

R17012406

THAT the Board of Education of School District 50 (Haida Gwaii) adopt the Truth and Reconciliation Calls to Action to be a part of and drive the strategic plan.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

### 7.2 Rural Education Regional Meetings

R17012407

THAT the Board of Education of School District 50 (Haida Gwaii) will provide input to Superintendent Johnson-Day by Friday regarding the letter to the Minister about the Rural Education Regional Meetings.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

# 7.3 Memorandum of Agreement re: LoU 17: Education Fund and Impact of Court Cases

Superintendent Johnson-Day reported to the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) that based on the Supreme Court of Canada decision Haida Gwaii will receive \$98,793 to increase teacher FTE for the remainder of the year.

### 7.4 BCSTA Template Policy and Procedures School Act s. 177

Superintendent Johnson-Day reported to the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) that she has reviewed s.177 of the School Act and the requirement to review district policies to align with the recommendations with the Ministry.

#### 7.5 **Interim Operating Grant**

Superintendent Johnson-Day reported to the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) that unfortunately enrollment numbers are down from last year and the funding allocations that we receive based on estimates of last years' student enrollment will be reduced by \$100,000.

#### 7.6 3506 Oceanview Drive Land Disposal Bylaw 2017

R17012408

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) adopts that 3506 Oceanview Drive Land Disposal Bylaw 2017 be given first reading.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

R17012409

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) adopts that 3506 Oceanview Drive Land Disposal Bylaw 2017 be given second reading.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

R17012410

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) give unanimous consent to the Secretary Treasurer to read the 3506 Oceanview Drive Land Disposal Bylaw 2017 a third time at the same Board meeting.

MOTION CARRIED

R17012411

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) adopt that 3506 Oceanview Drive Land Disposal Bylaw 2017 be given third and final reading.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

#### 7.7 **Policy Amalgamations**

R17012412 THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) approves the following amalgamated policies as presented:

- Policy 6950 Threat and Risk Assessment
- Policy 4150 Student Injury & First Aid
- Policy 6600 Employees Working Alone
- Policy 6420 Emergency Response Plan

MOTION CARRIED

### 7.8 Policy 6000 Utilization of Properties by General Public Revisions

R17012413 THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) refer Policy 6000 back to the policy committee.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

### 8. Operational Issues

### 8.1 December Finance Vouchers

R17012414 THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) receives and files the Accounts Payable and Payroll for December 2016.

MOTION CARRIED

### 8.2 Field Trip Applications

R17012415 THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) approves Agnes
L. Mathers Elementary Jr Secondary School's swim and ski, surfing, as well as
paddleboarding field trip applications.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

# 8.3 Replace South Maintenance Van

R17012416 THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) approves the allocation of \$30,000 of local capital funds to replace a maintenance vehicle to be repaid within a five-year period.

MOTION CARRIED

# 8.4 Agnes L. Mathers Elementary Jr. Secondary Update

The Board of Education of School District No.50 (Haida Gwaii) received an update from Superintendent Johnson-Day on the construction of the Agnes L. Mathers Elementary Jr. Secondary School. If there are no delays, hope to have ground broken and modular in place starting in March/April of this year. Superintendent Dawna Johnson-Day acknowledged the work of Mr. Goffic on this project.

### 8.5 BC Ferries Update

The Board of Education of School District No.50 (Haida Gwaii) received an update from Superintendent Johnson-Day on the letter she wrote to BC Ferries. She has received some movement from BC Ferries with the slight change of the ferry schedule in the morning, which allows students more time to get to school. She also has an open invitation from one of the head managers at BC Ferries to have a conversation regarding the ferry schedule after school. She hopes to set a meeting in the near future.

### 8.6 Transportation Study

Superintendent Johnson-Day informed the Board of Education of School District No.50 (Haida Gwaii) about the Transportation Study conducted by the Village of Port Clements respecting both public and school transportation. She reported that there will be a few pieces of the study that the district will review when considering the 2017-2018 budget. Taking a closer look at the study, public transportation

linked to school transportation will not be a success. However, this study has peaked interest in others to bid on future contracts.

### 8.7 Premier's Award

The Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) reviewed the Premier's Award for Promoting Innovation and Excellence that School District No. 50 received for its Carbon Neutral Government Program. Mr. Goffic reported the award is in recognition for installing solar panels, switching boilers out on the North end of the island, reinsulating the roof of Gudangaay Tlaats'gaa Naay Secondary School and helping the Village of Port Clements put in a pellet boiler.

# 8.8 Aboriginal Education Highlights

The Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) received an update from Superintendent Johnson-Day that the next Haida Education meeting is scheduled to be held on February 15, 2017 at the Queen Charlotte District Administration Office.

# 8.9 Haida Language Integrated Resource Package Update

The Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) received an update from Superintendent Johnson-Day that the Integrated Resource Package needs to be signed off by the Ministry before students can receive credit for the Haida Language program. Superintendent Dawna Johnson-Day recognized the work of Aboriginal Principal Joanne Yovanovich on this project.

## 9. Questions from the public

The Board of Education of Schools District No.50 (Haida Gwaii) and members of the public held a question and answer period. The following agenda items were discussed:

The Haida Language Integrated Resource Package

### 10. Adjournment

R17012417 THAT

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) adjourns the Regular Board meeting at 1930 hours.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

Secretary Treasurer