# MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING HELD AT SCHOOL DISTRICT ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE, NOVEMBER 28, 2017

PRESENT WERE:

Denise Husband, Trustee Wilson Brown, Trustee Elizabeth Condrotte, Trustee Kim Goetzinger, Trustee

**ALSO PRESENT:** 

Dawna Day, Superintendent of Schools Shelley Sansome, Secretary Treasurer

Colleen Bradley, Confidential Admin Assistant/Minute Taker

**ABSENT WERE:** 

Harmony Williams, Chairperson

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

Andrew Hudson
Kim Claggett
Steve Querengesser
Russ Flemming
David Reynolds
Mike Hennigan
Martin Favreau

#### 1. Call to Order

Vice Chair Kim Goetzinger called the meeting to order at 18:03 hours and acknowledged that the meeting was held on traditional territory of the Haida Nation. A moment of silence was taken to acknowledge grieving families during this difficult time.

#### 2. Approval of Agenda

R17112801 THAT the agenda be approved as circulated.

#### MOTION CARRIED

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

3.1 September 26, 2017 Regular Board Meeting Minutes

R17112802 THAT the minutes of the regular meeting of Sept 26, 2017 be approved as presented

#### **MOTION CARRIED**

#### 3.2 October 23, 2017 Rise and Report

Superintendent Day reported on property, personnel and student matters from the October 23, 2017 in-camera meeting.

## 3.3 November 28, 2017 Rise and Report

Superintendent Day reported on property, personnel and student matters from the November 28, 2017 in-camera meeting.

## 4. Report on Actions From Previous Meetings

#### 4.1 Sandspit Students' Transportation to GKNS

Superintendent Day reported that the transportation service for Gidgalang Kuuyass Naay Secondary students residing in Sandspit has been well received. Safety concerns have been addressed and all but one student rides the bus.

#### 4.2 Capital Funding for Daycare Space

Superintendent Day reported that the application for Stage 1 funding the from Ministry of Children and Family Development (MCFD) for daycare spaces in Masset has been successful. Challenges to consider are the five year operating commitment and 10% district capital funding.

## 4.3 Masset Schools Committee Update

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## 5. Delegation/Presentation – Kim Claggett

## 5.1 Youth Strategies/Drug Prevention in Schools

Kim Claggett, a parent of a student enrolled at Gidgalang Kuuyaas Naay Secondary, addressed concerns regarding youth drug use/activity. There is a desire to offer alternative activities for student participation. Ms. Claggett requested use of the school gymnasium for dances as well as transportation service to be provided by the district. Superintendent Day will follow up with the request and write a letter of support for an application to the Gwaii Trust Society to support an application for funding to contract the "Odd Squad" to make student presentations in New Year.

#### 6. Reports

#### 6.1 Reports from the Chair

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

#### 6.2 Trustee Reports

- Trustee Goetzinger reported on her participation with evaluation committee meetings, attendance at a Provincial Council meeting, attended the Haida Women's dialogue sessions and the Remembrance Service in Queen Charlotte.
- Trustee Husband reported on attending the Don Burnsticks session at GidGalang Kuuyas Naay, a transportation meeting at Port Clements, a FASD Pro-D at GKNS, strategic planning sessions, trauma-informed training at Port Clements Elementary, Youth Drug & Alcohol meeting at Board Office, Remembrance Day Service at ALM, and completed Naloxone Training with Public Nurse.
- Trustee Condrotte attended the trauma training in Port Clements, BC School Trustee Association Annual Academy in Richmond, participated in a Pre-Conference on Child & Youth Mental Health in BC.
- Trustee Brown attended a Pro-D day and Remembrance Day Services.

## 6.3 Superintendent of Schools Report

The Superintendent of Schools reported on a Youth Drug & Alcohol meeting, funding provided to the district in partnership with the Ministry of Children & Family Development to recruit a Child and Youth Wellness Support Worker for Port Clements and Masset. She shared information on

the Pro-D *Trauma Informed Practice in Education Session* held for all staff on November 1st. Along with Joanne Yovanovich, Principal of Aboriginal Education held brainstorming sessions 2 days with Aboriginal Education Principal and Haida language teachers, First Nations Resource Workers, and Elders. She is focussing on the development of a district wide' Framework for Enhancing Student Learning in compliance with Ministry direction, attended a DPAC session and talked about the start of a review of the district website to ensure that it is very user friendly and informative. The Superintendent also attended a Superintendents' conference in Vancouver, participated in interviews for new staff, and attended a joint Pro-D committee meeting. She will be working with the Joint Pro-D Committee to create a joint survey to teachers regarding new curriculum.

## 6.4 Secretary Treasurer Report

The Secretary Treasurer reported that she worked on student transportation services from Sandspit to Alliford Bay for GKNS students, the Student Achievement Data report to the Ministry of Education, and labour management meeting with CUPE. Secretary Treasurer Sansome attended the 3<sup>rd</sup> annual partner liaison meeting with Ministry, attended a Principals' meeting, submitted 1701 enrollment data reports, the General Reporting Entity report, and worked with new teachers to allocate rural and remote fund. In addition, Secretary Treasurer Sansome participated in meeting with representatives from the Ministry of Children and Family Development to enhance partnership and student services. She attended a board retreat, managed staff leave of absence requests, prepared the CommunityLINK and Form 1530 reports for the Ministry, participated in a conference call with the Vancouver Island Regional Library, post and fill activities for five position and participated in confidential meetings related to personnel matters.

#### 6.5 Trustee Expenditure Report

R17112803 THAT the Board of Education of School District No.50 (Haida Gwaii) receive and file the Trustee expenditure report for the months of September and October 2017.

#### **MOTION CARRIED**

#### 6.6 Principal of Aboriginal Education Report

The Board of Education of School District No.50 (Haida Gwaii) received and filed the Principal of Aboriginal Education report for November 2017.

## 6.7 Information and Technology Manager Report

The Board of Education of School District No.50 (Haida Gwaii) received and filed the Information Technology Manager report for November 2017.

## 6.8 Maintenance and Transportation Manager Report

The Board of Education of School District No.50 (Haida Gwaii) received and filed the Maintenance and Transportation Supervisor report for November 2017.

## 7. Strategic and Policy Issues

#### 7.1 Truth and Reconciliation Commission

Superintendent Day will research costs to have Tom Swanky present in the district with the possibility to host a regional conference in Haida Gwaii.

#### 7.1.1 Student Performance for BCSTA AGM

#### **WITHDRAWN**

## 7.2 Haida Language and Cultural Meeting

Superintendent Day discussed this agenda item during the presentation of her monthly report.

## 7.3 Fiscal Sustainability Review

The Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) received and filed the Fiscal Sustainability Review report.

#### 7.4 French Immersion Notice

The Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) received and filed a copy of a letter distributed to parents of French Immersion students.

### 7.5 Substitute Teacher Policy

Secretary Treasurer Sansome informed the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) of challenges recruiting Teachers Teaching on Call and the need to hire non-certified replacement teachers. The Secretary Treasurer will submit revisions to the Substitute Teacher policy to the policy committee for their consideration.

### 7.6 Changes to Grade 10-12 Implementation Schedule

The Superintendent of Schools provided an update on changes to the rollout of the new curriculum. Grade 10 changes will be implemented fully next year and the changes to Grades 11 and 12 Curriculum will be fully implemented the following year. Parents are encouraged to visit the ministry website for more specific information on the new curriculum.

#### 7.7 Aims Draft Revisions

R17112804 Motion for Skidegate Haida Immersion Program (SHIP) to approve spelling and definitions prior to circulating draft revisions to the Aims policy to stakeholders.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

#### 8. Operational Issues

#### 8.1 September and October 2017 Finance Vouchers

R17112805 THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) approve the September and October 2017 Financial Vouchers.

MOTION CARRIED

#### 8.2 2017/2018 Enrollment

The Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) received and filed a copy of the 2017/2018 Enrollment report indicating 517.5 full time equivalent (FTE) students.

#### 8.3 Nominal Roll Audit

Superintendent Day informed the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) of a recent INAC nominal roll audit.

#### 8.4 Professional Development Planning Update

The Superintendent of Schools is working with the joint professional development committee, to develop a survey for teachers to determine how they are managing new curriculum changes.

## 8.5 District Parent Advisory Council Update

The next District Parent Advisory Council meeting will be held on December 01, 2017.

#### 8.6 BC Human Rights Tribunal Special Application Update

The Superintendent of Schools is in the process of preparing an application for an HRC exemption respecting the hiring of teachers and staff of Aboriginal ancestry.

## 8.7 Debrief October 23, 2017 Landslide

The Superintendent of Schools and the Maintenance and Transportation Supervisor met with Village of Queen Charlotte to review process and protocols during emergencies.

#### 8.8 Large Scale Assessment Policy & Learning Resources Policy

The Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) received and filed a copy of the Large Scale Assessment Policy & Learning Resources Policy.

## 8.9 Drug Awareness Update

The Superintendent of Schools is working with community members on a Local Team to address opioid use concerns.

## 8.10 Signing Authority Update

**DELETED FROM AGENDA** 

### 8.11 Statement of Financial Information

R171128406 THAT The Board of Education of Schools District No.50 (Haida Gwaii) approve the Statement of Financial Information for the year ended June 30, 2017.

#### MOTIONED CARRIED

#### 9. Questions and Enquiries Relating to the Board Meeting

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

- Construction of Agnes L. Mathers School;
- Day care in Masset and effect on Strong Start;
- District Parent Advisory Council schedule;
- Amalgamation of Masset schools;
- Parent Advisory Councils responsibilities;
- Mirroring the Child & Youth Wellness Support Worker for the south;
- Drug awareness, Odd Squad, and film "Through the Lens";
- Trustee involvement with the professional development committee;
- French immersion notices and support for student transitions:
- Secondment agreements;
- Haida language support;
- Lobbying government for additional funds;
- Language, culture, and reconciliation.

#### 10. Adjournment

R17112807 THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) adjourns the Regular Board meeting at 2100 hours.

## MOTION CARRIED

Secretary Treasurer

Chairperson