

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING
HELD VIA GOOGLE MEET
ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 2020**

PRESENT WERE: Roeland Denooij, Chair
Dana Moraes, Vice Chair
Julia Breese, Trustee
Wilson Brown, Trustee
Adeana Young, Trustee

ALSO PRESENT: Carey Stewart, Superintendent
Kevin Black, Secretary-Treasurer
Kristina Russ, Confidential Administrative Assistant
Maureen Benoit, Human Resources Officer

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC:

Google Meet:

Anne Barnes
Ken Evans
Lao Peerless
Laverne Hamilton
Sian Nalleweg
Steve Goffic
Steve Querengesser
Tammy Gates
Warren McIntyre

**1. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF HAIDA TERRITORY
CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson Denooij called the meeting to order at 1801 hours.

2. PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

No questions were brought forward at this time.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

R20112401

MOTION BY Trustee Brown
SECONDED BY Trustee Breese

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

- Add attachments under 11.2 – Finance vouchers
- Add item 11.3 – School District No. 5 Auctions

MOTION CARRIED

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

R20112402

MOTION BY Trustee Moraes
SECONDED BY Trustee Breese

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) approve the October 27, 2020 regular board meeting minutes as presented

MOTION CARRIED

R20112403

MOTION BY Trustee Breese
SECONDED BY Trustee Brown

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) reported that property, personnel, and student matters were discussed at the November 24, 2020 In-Camera Meeting.

MOTION CARRIED

5. REPORT ON ACTION FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

5.1 – Report from Bussing to Port Clements:

Secretary Treasurer Black presented results from the survey he conducted for the parents of the community of Tlell in regards to the concerns due to lack of bussing to Port Clements Elementary School.

The following Items were discussed:

- Parents of students currently enrolled in Port Clements Elementary School.
- Policy requirements in regards to bussing
- Indigenous students affected
- Potential loss of student enrollment at Port Clements Elementary School.
- Potential before and after school programs.

R20112404

MOTION BY Trustee Breese
SECONDED BY Trustee Moraes

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) provide transportation assistance of \$13 per family per day to the parents of the students of Tlell that drive to Port Clements Elementary School, effective December 1, 2020.

MOTION CARRIED

R20112405

MOTION BY Trustee Breese
SECONDED BY Trustee Moraes

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) direct Superintendent Stewart to investigate funding options for before and after school programs at Sk'aadgaa Naay Elementary School.

R20112406

AMENDMENT BY Trustee Breese
SECONDED BY Trustee Moraes

THAT the motion be amended to add: and support the hiring of a Before and/or After School Coordinator for programming at Sk'aadgaa Naay Elementary.

MOTION CARRIED

R20112405

MOTION BY Trustee Breese
SECONDED BY Trustee Moraes

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) direct Superintendent Stewart to investigate funding options for before and after school programs at Sk'aadgaa Naay Elementary School and support the hiring of a Before and/or After School Coordinator for programming at Sk'aadgaa Naay Elementary.

MOTION CARRIED AS AMENDED

6. DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

There were no delegations or presentations.

7. CHAIRPERSON REPORT

Chairperson Denooij reported the following:

- Chairperson attended the previous Tahayghen Parent Advisory Council, Denooij is pleased to report they're working well.
- Chairperson Denooij is pleased to report his attendance at a conference with board chairs from across the province.
- Chairperson Denooij has been in contact with Northern Health and is pleased to report that School District No. 50 Haida Gwaii is on the right path to keeping students and staff safe under COVID-19 measures. The province of British Columbia is working to keep schools operational as long as possible.
- Trustee Breese has been in attendance at the District Parent Advisory Council.
- Trustee Moraes is continuing work with the Indigenous Council.

8. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

8.1 – Superintendent Newsletter

Superintendent Stewart presented the November edition of the Superintendent Newsletter as attached in the regular board package highlighting the following items:

- The Haida Language and Cultural department in their efforts to put more Haida language resources out there.
- Meeting with Dr. Tracy Morton in regards to a safety message for COVID-19 testing and having more comfortable tests options available for children.

8.2 – District Literacy & Numeracy

Superintendent Stewart reported on the first District Literacy & Numeracy meeting held on November 16, 2020. They discussed programs, assessment, and director of instruction. There is a nice engagement with reading and writing programs.

8.3 – K to 12 Student Population

Superintendent Stewart presented a report on district wide enrollment.

9. INDIGENOUS EDUCATION

9.1 – BC Tripartite Education Agreement – Supporting First Nation Student Success

Superintendent Stewart reported his and Principal of Indigenous Education Yovanovitch's attendance at an online Jointly Convened Annual Meeting. The following topics were discussed.

- Local Education Agreement
- Safe Transportation
- Child and youth in care

10. STRATEGIC PLANNING AND POLICY ISSUES

10.1- BC School Trustees Association Update

Trustee Young reported on the upcoming virtual BCSTA trustee Academy, November 27-28, 2020.

10.2 – Strategic Planning Update

Superintendent Stewart brought forward a proposal from one external consultant and will bring forward another proposal for trustees to review at the December board meeting.

10.3- Amend District School Calendar

Superintendent Stewart informed the board of the oversight regarding the District School 2020-2021 Calendar. The motion was brought forward to amend the calendar to fit requirements within the Teachers Union Collective Agreement.

R20112407

MOTION BY Trustee Breese
SECONDED BY Trustee Young

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) amend the District school calendar as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

10.4 – Northern Health Town Hall

December 3, 2020 at 5:30 pm The School District No. 50 Haida Gwaii will be holding a virtual Town hall meeting with Northern Health in response to COVID-19.

10.5 – PAC & DPAC

Trustee Breese reported the District Parent Advisory Council was not able to make quorum at their last meeting.

Superintendent Stewart reported that Principal Bedard organized a Parent Advisory Council meeting for November 28, 2020 from 7pm to 8pm for Agnes L. Mathers School Elementary School.

11. OPERATIONS

11.1 – Emergency Preparedness

Secretary Treasurer Black reported that all schools Emergency preparedness plans are being reviewed and will be updated.

11.2 – October 2020 Finance Vouchers

R20112408

MOTION BY Trustee Breese
SECONDED BY Trustee Young

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) approve the October 2020 Finance Vouchers as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

11.3 – School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) Auction

Secretary-Treasurer Black informed the public of a new public auction platform effective December 1, 2020. He noted that at every board meeting this will be a standing item and district staff will advise if auction items are available and the period in which the auction will be held.

12. CORRESPONDENCE

12.1 – Letter from PAC of Port Clements Elementary School

Chairperson Denooij reported the receipt of a letter from the Parent Advisory Council of Port Clements. He noted that a letter of response has been sent on behalf of the board.

13. QUESTIONS AND INQUIRIES RELATING TO THE BOARD MEETING:

No questions were brought forward at this time.

Chairperson Denooij reminded trustees of the upcoming elections and announced he would not be seeking re-election. He thanked the Trustees for their support while he was Board Chair.

14. ADJOURNMENT

R20112409

MOTION BY Trustee Breese

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) adjourns the Regular Board meeting at 1934 hours.



CARRIED



Chairperson
Roeland Denooij

Secretary Treasurer