

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING HELD AT THE
DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION OFFICE, DAAJING GIIDS
TUESDAY, September 13, 2022**

PRESENT WERE: Dana Moraes, Chairperson
Adeana Young, Vice Chairperson (via Teams)
-Trustee Young left the meeting at approximately Agenda Item 12.
Julia Breese, Trustee
Wilson Brown, Trustee (via Teams)
Roeland Denooij, Trustee

ALSO PRESENT: Manu Madhok, Interim Superintendent (via Teams)
Kevin Black, Secretary-Treasurer (via Teams)
Maureen Benoit, Human Resources Manager
Calida Erickson, Confidential Administrative Assistant

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC (via Teams):

Steve Goffic	Miranda Post	Leighann Rodger
Tammy Gates	Ken Evans	Russ Fleming
Kaitlyn Bailey	Lao Peerless	Tracy Morton

1. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF HAIDA TERRITORY

Chairperson Moraes respectfully acknowledged that the meeting was held on the unceded and traditional territory of the Haida Nation.

2. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Moraes called the meeting to order at 1804 hours.

3. PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

The Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) invited members of the public to address agenda items during the Public Question Period.

No questions.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

R22091301

MOTIONED BY: Trustee Denooij

SECONDED BY: Trustee Young

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) approve the September 13, 2022 Regular Board Meeting Agenda as circulated, including attachments and

amendments 9.1 Superintendent’s Update, and 9.3 Framework for Enhancing Student Learning.

MOTION CARRIED

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

5.1 – June 14, 2022 Regular Board Meeting Minutes

R22091302 MOTIONED BY: Trustee Denooij
SECONDED BY: Trustee Breese

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) approve the June 14, 2022 Regular Board Meeting minutes as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

5.2 – September 13, 2022 In-Camera Rise, and Report

R22091303 MOTIONED BY: Trustee Breese
SECONDED BY: Trustee Denooij

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) reported that property, personnel, and pupil matters were discussed at the September 13, 2022 In-Camera Meeting.

MOTION CARRIED

6. REPORT ON ACTION FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

6.1– Accumulated Operating Surplus Policy DRAFT

R22091304 MOTIONED BY: Trustee Denooij
SECONDED BY: Trustee Breese

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) give Policy B.13 Accumulated Operating Surplus a first and second reading.

MOTION CARRIED

R22091305 MOTIONED BY: Trustee Breese
SECONDED BY: Trustee Denooij

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) unanimously agreed that Policy B.13 Accumulated Operating Surplus be given a third and final reading at the September 13, 2022 Regular Meeting.

MOTION CARRIED

R22091306 MOTIONED BY: Trustee Denooij
SECONDED BY: Trustee Brown

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) give Policy B.13 Accumulated Operating Surplus a third reading and be adopted as policy.

MOTION CARRIED

6.2 – Financial Planning and Reporting Policy DRAFT

R22091307 MOTIONED BY: Trustee Denooij
SECONDED BY: Trustee Brown

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) give Policy B.1 Financial Planning and Reporting a first and second reading.

MOTION CARRIED

R22091308 MOTIONED BY: Trustee Breese
SECONDED BY: Trustee Denooij

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) unanimously agreed that Policy B.1 Financial Planning and Reporting be given a third and final reading at the September 13, 2022 Regular Meeting.

MOTION CARRIED

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) give Policy B.1 Financial Planning and Reporting a third reading and be adopted as Policy.

MOTION CARRIED

7. DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

7.1 – No presentation this month.

8. CHAIRPERSON REPORT

Chairperson Moraes gave recognition of her time as Chairperson, and of the challenging times through this tenure. She noted that recently she attended a pancake breakfast at Sk'aadgaa Naay. She attended the Indigenous Education Committee over the summer, where there was a focus on defining knowledge keepers, and the importance of including Metis and Inuit individuals and communities when discussing indigenous issues in British Columbia.

She advised that she was recently reappointed as co-chair to the Indigenous Education Committee.

The Chairperson commented that this will be the last meeting with the current Trustee group and invited Trustees to comment.

Trustee Breese – Expressed recognition and gratitude for the positive professional relationship within the Board.

Trustee Denooij – Recognition of the Board's journey through the pandemic, including the entire District in delivering positive outcomes through COVID. Recognized the importance and opportunity of the Board to embody the values of our Haida Gwaii families and communities.

Trustee Brown – Recognition of the ability of the Board to learn and work together. Expressed appreciation for being involved in the education of Haida Gwaii's youth.

Trustee Young – Recognition of the diversity of the Board team. Haawa to all District staff and community.

9. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

9.1 – Superintendent's Update

Interim Superintendent Madhok presented the Superintendent's Report as attached.

Expressed gratitude for the exceptional work of the Trustees through the pandemic times.

9.2 – Student Trustee Update

Interim Superintendent Madhok reported that the Student Trustees will be introduced at the November Board Meeting.

9.3 – Framework for Enhancing Student Learning (FESL)

Interim Superintendent Madhok presented on the FESL. Trustee Roeland highlighted the negative feedback from Grade 12 students on mental health and life skills training.

10. INDIGENOUS EDUCATION

10.1 – Local Education Agreement

No update this month.

10.2 – Haida Education Counsel (HEC) Meeting Update (Oct 12)

Interim Superintendent Madhok took this opportunity to remind Trustees of the upcoming HEC Meeting on October 12, 2022.

11. STRATEGIC AND POLICY ISSUES

11.1 – Truth and Reconciliation Calls to Action

Trustee Breese read Bill 41 Article 19.

11.2 – Draft Strategic Plan

Interim Superintendent Madhok and Trustees presented the Draft Strategic Plan as attached.

R22091310 MOTIONED BY: Trustee Breese
SECONDED BY: Trustee Brown

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) circulate the draft Strategic Plan as presented to stakeholders for feedback.

MOTION CARRIED

11.3 – Child Abuse Policy

Principal Leighann Rodger presented the draft changes to Child Abuse Policy H.2.

R22091311 MOTIONED BY: Trustee Brown
SECONDED BY: Trustee Breese

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) circulate the updated H.2 Child Abuse Policy as presented to stakeholders for feedback.

MOTION CARRIED

11.4 – BCSTA Update

No update.

11.5 – BCPSEA update

No update.

12. OPERATIONS

12.1 – Audited Financial Statements 21-22

Secretary-Treasurer Black presented the Draft Audited Financial Statements for the year ended June 30, 2022.

R22091312

MOTIONED BY: Trustee Denooij

SECONDED BY: Trustee Breese

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) approve the Audited Financial Statements for the year ended June 30, 2022 as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

12.2 – Financial Statement Discussion & Analysis

Secretary-Treasurer Black introduced the Ministry requirement for Financial Statement Discussion and Analysis of the Audited Financial Statements for 2021-2022 and opened the floor for question.

12.3 – June – August 2022 Financial Vouchers & Trustee Expenditures

R22091313

MOTIONED BY: Trustee Breese

SECONDED BY: Trustee Brown

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) receive and file the June, July and August 2022 Financial Vouchers and Trustee Expenditures as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

12.4 – Local Capital, Amalgamation Road

Secretary-Treasurer Black presented that the proposed Gudangaay Tlaats'gaa Naay access road is not part of the Ministry funded Amalgamation and Seismic project. The funds in question will be available for use if needed to complete the road project.

R22091314

MOTIONED BY: Trustee Denooij

SECONDED BY: Trustee Brown

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) use Local Capital funds of \$300,000.00 to support creation of the road for the Gudangaay Tlaats'gaa Naay School Amalgamation and Seismic Update.

MOTION CARRIED

12.5 – Student & Family Affordability Fund

Interim Superintendent Madhok presented information on the Student & Family Affordability Fund introduced by the Ministry for the 2022-23 school year. School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) will receive approximately \$250,000 to be distributed to schools, \$25,000 will be held back for unforeseen circumstances. It was noted that this is one time funding.

12.6 – SD50 Auction

No auction this month.

12.7 – District Calendar Update

For information purposes the 2022-23 district calendar was presented as attached.

12.8 – Operations Report/Masset Schools

Manager of Operations, Lao Peerless, presented a verbal Operations and Masset Schools update. He noted that work was done at the following:

- Port Clements Elementary gym floor.
 - Outside lights were installed at Sk'aadgaa Naay Elementary for the bussing area.
- He advised of the work taking place at Gudangaay Tlaats'gaa Naay:
- Masset schools report updated monthly on website.
 - Amalgamation project has areas with soil issues, extra costs incurred to amend.
 - Site fencing is now installed around the tsunami tower.
 - Asbestos was discovered in the crawl space of Gudangaay Tlaats'gaa Naay, abatement was performed.
 - Work has started on the tsunami tower foundation.
 - Hydronic heating lines at Gudangaay Tlaats'gaa Naay replaced due to high lead content.
 - Move in date for the amalgamated school still projected as August 2023.

- Working on design of a potential daycare addition for the amalgamated school.
- Staffing issues/labour shortage have delayed some project completion.

The Manager of Operations praised and recognized the hard work of our district custodians.

Trustee Denooij brought forward questions about the transition from two schools into one.

12.9 – IT Report

IT Manager, Steve Goffic, presented the IT report as attached.

13. CORRESPONDENCE

13.1 – No correspondence to file.

14. PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

The public brought forward questions regarding:

- Are there plans to meet with the Tahayhgen school community regarding the impact of the amalgamation process?
- Could there be a presentation to the northern Parent Advisory Council about the Amalgamation project?

15. ADJOURNMENT

R22091315

MOTION BY: Trustee Breese

SECONDED BY: Trustee Denooij

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 50 (Haida Gwaii) adjourns the September 13, 2022 Regular Board meeting at 1955 hours.

MOTION CARRIED

Chairperson

Secretary-Treasurer