

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING HELD
VIA TEAMS
TUESDAY, January 16, 2024

PRESENT WERE: Dana Moraes, Chair
Roeland Denooij, Vice-Chair
Ashley Currie, Trustee
Wilson Brown, Trustee
Miranda Post, Trustee

ALSO PRESENT: Kevin Black, Secretary-Treasurer
Maureen Benoit, Human Resources Manager
Misty Surtees, Confidential Administrative Assistant
Lief Morton, Student Trustee
Arilyn May, Student Trustee
Riley Duke, Student Trustee

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC (Via Teams):

Tammy Gates Sian Nalleweg Steve Goffic

1. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF HAIDA TERRITORY

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

2. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Moraes called the meeting to order at 1803 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
- No additions to agenda

4. REVIEW OF AGENDA

The January 16, 2024 Regular Board Meeting Agenda Package was reviewed and approved by Trustees.

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

5.1 December 12, 2023 Regular Board Meeting Minutes

R24011601 MOTION BY: Trustee Post
SECONDED BY: Trustee Brown

THAT the Haida Gwaii Board of Education of School District No. 50 approve the December 12, 2023 Regular Board Meeting minutes as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

5.2 January 16, 2024 In-Camera Rise and Report

R24011602 MOTION BY: Trustee Brown
SECONDED BY: Vice-Chair Denooij

THAT the Haida Gwaii Board of Education of School District No. 50 report that property, personnel, and pupil matters were discussed at the January 16, 2024 In-Camera Meeting.

MOTION CARRIED

6. DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

No delegations or presentations this month.

7. CHAIR REPORT

Chair Moraes welcomed everyone back from the break and reported that the next Indigenous Committee meeting will be held on February 8th. Trustee Brown shared that both the wrestling and basketball teams have performed well at off-island tournaments.

8. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

8.1 Superintendent's Update

Secretary-Treasurer Black briefly reported on the Superintendent's Report as attached.

8.2 Student Trustee's Update

Student Trustees Duke, Morton & May provided a general update that included information on the Sr. boys' basketball off-island tournament, the high school wrestling tournament win in Prince George, the upcoming School lip-sync competition, the recent successful Clan

Tournament, Jr. basketball games, and the Grade 8 class winners of the donation challenge at Winter Feast.

9. INDIGENOUS EDUCATION

Secretary-Treasurer Black reported that this item was covered in the 8.1 Superintendent's Report as attached.

10. STRATEGIC AND POLICY ISSUES

10.1 Calls to Action of the Truth and Reconciliation

Student Trustee Duke read Bill 41 Article 31.

10.2 BCSTA Update

Trustee Currie reported no update this month.

10.3 BCPSEA Update

Trustee Post reported that she and and Human Resource Manager Benoit will attend the virtual BCPSEA AGM on January 25th.

10.4 Transportation Assistance Policy

Secretary-Treasurer Black presented the updated Transportation Assistance Policy, which was approved at the December 12, 2023 meeting. The policy has since been amended to include missing housekeeping items reflecting the per family maximums. Tell to Port Clements area holds special consideration that was approved by the Board a few years ago.

R24011603

MOTION BY: Vice-Chair Denooij

SECONDED BY: Trustee Brown

THAT the Haida Gwaii Board of Education of School District No. 50 to circulate the updated Transportation Assistance Policy.

MOTION CARRIED

11. OPERATIONS

11.1 Operation Grant Summary

Secretary-Treasurer Black reviewed the Summary as presented in the meeting agenda package. The overall budget is slightly higher due to increases in the student enrolment and special needs funding.

11.2 Operations Update

Secretary-Treasurer Black reported that the district is at the final phase of the Masset Schools Project and on budget. Additionally, the Daycare tenders have closed and are currently being reviewed. Once more information is available, it will be shared with the public.

11.3 December 2023 Financial Vouchers & Trustee Expenditures

R24011604

MOTION BY: Trustee Currie
SECONDED BY: Vice-Chair Denooij

THAT the Haida Gwaii Board of Education of School District No. 50 receive and file the December 2023 Financial Vouchers and Trustee Expenditures as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

12. CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence.

13. PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

No questions were brought forward.

14. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Moraes adjourned the January 16, 2024 Regular Board Meeting at 1825 hours.



Chair



Secretary-Treasurer