

Public Board of Education Meeting Minutes



June 25, 2024 (6:30 p.m.)

Trustees in Attendance: Ciel Patenaude (Chair), Angie Delainey, Anne Kohut, Mary Forbes, Willow Macdonald (left at 6:50 p.m.).

TEAMS: Linda Martens.

Regrets: Michael Franklin.

Staff: Superintendent Chris van der Mark, Secretary-Treasurer Brenda Hooker, Deputy Superintendent Cheryl Lenardon, Directors of Instruction Sean Cameron, Anita Richardson, Wendell Hiltz, Executive Assistant Jodi Symmes.

1. Acknowledgement that the meeting is being held on the traditional and unceded territory of the Northern Secwepemc People

1.1 Call to Order

2. Approval of Agenda

THAT the agenda for June 25, 2024, Public Meeting of the Board of Education be approved.

O2024.06.25-01

Moved: Trustee Macdonald
Seconded: Trustee Kohut
CARRIED Unanimously

Adoption of Minutes

THAT the minutes of the May 28, 2024, Public Meeting of the Board of Education be approved as presented.

O2024.06.25-02

Moved: Trustee Macdonald
Seconded: Trustee Forbes
CARRIED Unanimously

2.1 In-Camera Meeting Report

THAT the report of the May 28, 2024, In-Camera Meeting of the Board be approved as presented.

O2024.06.25-03

Moved: Trustee Forbes
Seconded: Trustee Macdonald
CARRIED Unanimously

“Learning, Growing, and Belonging Together”

Motion to amend the Agenda: 4. Delegation to move to 3. Presentation in the agenda.
CARRIED Unanimously

3. **Delegation CCPVPA** – The CCPVPA spoke to their letter in the reading file expressing their anger and frustration with a former administrator who claimed to have knowledge in representing them and their position. He does not. Much has changed in SD27 and the CCPVPA are fully supportive of the changes and their integral role. (See Reading File)

4. **Presentation** – School Innovation Grant

Horse Lake – Murrey Helmer, presented the Innovation Grant "Baking and Building" Program. This grant was brought forward as a way to assist with students who were having trouble keeping focus. The teachers have seen a change in students' confidence, public speaking, math skills, problem-solving and critical thinking.

Nesika – Melissa Therrien presented "Soft Starts in Elementary Classrooms." Runs about 15 minutes of the school day. Soft starts are activities in which students engage in self-chosen self-directed activities. Ms. Therrien has noticed that the morning activities help to relieve anxiety and open the amygdala so they can learn for the day. Social-emotional learning, relationship building, and unstructured play are all areas that the students are benefiting from.

5. **Reports**

5.1 **Superintendent's Report**

Superintendent van der Mark provided his final Report 😊 He paid special thanks to the first responders and staff who were on the scene of the bus accident. He also shared highlights of the progress the School District has made while acknowledging there is still much to do. It is critical that we do not revert to some of the old practices that led us to where we were 5 years ago.

Trustee Forbes asked for a moment of silence and was recognized for the passing of the good Samaritan who died while trying to assist the bus accident at the accident scene.

5.2 **Secretary-Treasurer Report**

5.2.1 **Financial Update, Operating Surplus, and Local Capital**

THAT the Board of Education approves moving \$2,250,000 from Operating Surplus to Local Capital as part of the 2023/2024 Fiscal Year End.

O2024.06.25-04

Moved: Trustee Macdonald
Seconded: Trustee Kohut
CARRIED Unanimously

THAT the Board of Education approves reallocating priorities within Local Capital and transferring any available Operating Surplus into Local Capital as part of the 2023/2024 Fiscal Year End.

O2024.06.25-05

Moved: Trustee Forbes
Seconded: Trustee Delainey
CARRIED Unanimously

5.2.2 Revised 2024/25 Minor Capital Plan (Letter, Bylaw)

THAT the Board of Education approve Capital Bylaw No. 2024-25-CPSD27-02 in three readings with unanimous consent at the June 25, 2024, Public Board Meeting.

O2024.06.25-06

Moved: Trustee Delainey
Seconded: Trustee Kohut
CARRIED Unanimously

THAT the Board of Education approve Capital Bylaw No. 2024-25-CPSD27-02 Submission be read the first time this 25th day of June 2024.

O2024.06.25-07

Moved: Trustee Delainey
Seconded: Trustee Forbes
CARRIED Unanimously

*THAT the Board of Education approve Capital Bylaw No. 2024-25-CPSD27-02 Submission be read the **second** time this 25th day of June 2024.*

O2024.06.25-08

Moved: Trustee Delainey
Seconded: Trustee Forbes
CARRIED Unanimously

*THAT the Board of Education approves Capital Bylaw No. 2024-25-CPSD27-02 Submission be read the **third** time this 25th day of June 2024.*

O2024.06.25-09

Moved: Trustee Macdonald
Seconded: Trustee Delainey
CARRIED Unanimously

5.3 Committee Reports

5.3.1 Finance & Facilities and Transportation Committee:

THAT the Board of Education accepts the Transportation changes to be implemented for September 2024 and the ongoing optimization and alignment with Policy and AP 770.

O2024.06.25-10

Moved: Trustee
Seconded: Trustee

Opposed
Trustee Martens

In Favor:
Trustee Delainey
Trustee Kohut
Trustee Macdonald
Trustee Patenaude

Abstain
Trustee Forbes

MOTION CARRIED

A follow-up discussion with the Board related to information brought forward by Trustee Forbes from her meeting with the parents of Mile 108 School.

These discussions brought forth Trustee Martens and Forbes with a request for community consultation meetings for families to have an opportunity to ask further questions.

THAT School District No. 27 (Cariboo-Chilcotin) Annual Budget Bylaw for fiscal year 2024-2025 in the amount of \$77,558,144 be read the **third** time this 25th day of June 2024.

O2024.06.25-11

Moved: Trustee Macdonald
Seconded: Trustee Forbes
CARRIED Unanimously

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 27 (Cariboo-Chilcotin) approves the proposed Five-Year Major Capital Plan to be submitted for 2025/2026 to the Ministry of Education and Child Care.

O2024.06.25-12

Moved: Trustee Forbes
Seconded: Trustee Delainey
CARRIED Unanimously

THAT the Board approves the publication of all school fee schedules for the 2024-2025 school year.

O2024.06.25-13

Moved: Trustee Kohut
Seconded: Trustee Forbes
CARRIED Unanimously

Motion to amend the Agenda: 5.3.3 Education Committee to be moved to 5.3.2 in the agenda.

CARRIED Unanimously

5.3.2 Education Committee:

THAT the Board of Education approves the PSO French Immersion Europe field trip in principle with final approval in January 2025, pending confirmation of details prior to the trip.

O2024.06.25-14

Moved: Trustee Kohut

Seconded: Trustee Macdonald
CARRIED Unanimously

THAT the Board of Education approves the PSO Costa Rica field trip in principle with final approval in January 2025, pending confirmation of details prior to the trip.

O2024.06.25-15

Moved: Trustee Forbes
Seconded: Trustee Kohut
CARRIED Unanimously

5.3.3 Policy Committee:

THAT the Board of Education adopts Policy 390 and new AP 390.

O2024.06.25-16

Moved: Trustee Patenaude
Seconded: Trustee Kohut
CARRIED Unanimously

5.4 Trustees – None

5.5 Liaison / Representation – None

6. Information (Reading File)

[CCPVPA letter](#)
[District of 100 Mile House – Bus Concerns](#)

7. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:48 p.m.

8. Public Comments

An opportunity was provided for public comments pertaining to items on the agenda.

Brenda Hooker
Secretary-Treasurer

Ciel Patenaude
Chair