# MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 78 (FRASER-CASCADE)

Dec. 13, 2016

PRESENT: Ms. L. Kerr Chair Hope

Mr. J. Koopman Vice-Chair Hope

Ms. C. Ferguson Trustee Agassiz-Harrison

Mr. T. Hendrickson Trustee Canyon

Mr. R. Johnstone Trustee Agassiz-Harrison

Mrs. H. Stewin Trustee Hope

Ms. R. Tustian (via phone) Trustee Agassiz-Harrison

Dr. K. Nelson

Ms. N. Lowe

Mr. K. Bird

Ms. D. McKinney

Superintendent of Schools

Secretary-Treasurer

Asst. Superintendent

Executive Secretary

# A. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by the chair at 7:00pm at the District Education Office, on Tuesday, Dec. 13, 2016. The Chair opened by acknowledging that the meeting was being held on the traditional territory of the Sto:lo people.

# 1. Approval of Agenda

#### Hendrickson

THAT the agenda (including the consent agenda) for the Dec. 13, 2016 Regular Meeting of the Board of Education for School District No. 78 (Fraser-Cascade) be approved.

& consent agendas

#### CARRIED

# B. EDUCATIONAL HIGHLIGHTS (Hope Secondary)

Principal **Rosalee Floyd** shared some of the challenges at HSS including: Apathy; Mental Health Issues; Report Card "I"; and Poor Behaviours.

Events of the year included:

- Brigade Days
- First Nations (Orange Shirt Day)
- Theatre (Jungalbook)
- Quebec Exchange students
- Athletics
- Leadership (both Provincial and National)
- Band
- Staff participation
- Fraser-Cascade Mountain School
- Celebrating student successes.

The grade 7s recently completed a survey that shows a high satisfaction rate. Overall it has been a positive experience for both staff and students.

There has also been increased interest in shop courses. Ten students participated in the coding sessions held at UFV. Ten grade 12 students are also applicants to UFV's Regional Career Program.

The principal introduced a former HSS graduate who is taking a trades program at BCIT. He gives credit to the welding program that the district provided last year as he wasn't sure what career path he was going to take.

308/16-12-13 Approval of reg & consent agendas

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# C. CONSENT AGENDA

- Regular minutes and in-camera summary: Nov. 15, 2016
- AEC Report (Nov.9)
- Education Report (Nov. 22)
- Budget Report (Nov. 28)
- ProD Committee Mtg
- UFV Teacher Education Dept. Advisory Committee
- Annual Program Funding Agreement Amendment #1
- Financial Review Oct. 31
- HATS Youth Coordinator
- Teacher Leadership Session
- Rural Education Engagement
- Correspondence
  - Education Minister re: Transportation Funds
  - Transportation Funds for Kent
  - BC Carbon Neutral Program Award Finalist
- Field Trips Approved
  - SCE Hamper Sorting (Grace Baptist Church)
  - HHES Social Studies & French Experience (Ft. Langley)
  - HHS Jungalbook Cast Theatre Festival (Abbotsford)

#### D. PUBLIC DELEGATIONS

Nil

# E. TRUSTEE REPORTS

#### Trustee Hendrickson:

- St. Mary's Mission tour with AEC
- FNESC Conference

# Trustee Johnstone:

- Education Committee meeting
- Technology Committee meeting
- Coquihalla Addition Opening event
- AEC meeting
- St. Mary's Residential School experience with AEC
- ACE BBQ
- Learning Forward Conference
- Kent Elementary Festive Lunch

#### Trustee Stewin:

- Learning Forward Conference

#### Trustee Tustian:

- Learning Forward Conference
- FNESC Conference
- Informed the public that due to health reasons, a couple of meetings have been missed

#### Trustee Kerr:

- AEC Collaborative meeting in Mission
- Learning Forward Conference
- Careers & Transitions meeting
- Coquihalla Choir

# > Ferguson:

Harrison PAC meeting

#### F. NEW BUSINESS

# 1. Dark Highways and Safer Kids

The Chair introduced the idea of reflector bands for the safety of students on all highways.

#### Hendrickson

THAT the Board of Education for School District No. 78 (Fraser-Cascade) purchase reflective anklets for distribution to all students in the district and write a letter to the Minister of Transportation & Infrastructure regarding signage that would warn traffic of pedestrians on our highway.

CARRIED

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Purchase
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re pedestrian
signage

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The superintendent reported that the district is also partnering with Victim Services and Fraser Health in which toques with reflective bands will be given out to all students.

The assistant superintendent suggested he will be partnering with ICBC as well as including awareness in the Safety Program that the district is currently working on with the RCMP.

# **Ferguson**

THAT the Board of Education for School District No. 78 (Fraser-Cascade) write a letter to the Ministry of Transportation, Ministry of Education, and ICBC requesting signage for the highways and that a campaign is required for nighttime safety awareness.

310/16-12-13 Write letter to Min. of Edu, Hwys, & ICBC re: hwy signage & nighttime safety campaign

CARRIED

Trustee Hendrickson left the meeting at 8:20pm

#### **Johnstone**

THAT the Board of Education for School District No. 78 (Fraser-Cascade) submit a motion to BCSTA regarding a nighttime safety awareness campaign.

CARRIED

311/16-12-13 Submit motion to BCSTA re nighttime safety awareness campaign

Trustee Hendrickson returned to the meeting at 8:23pm

# 2. Notice of Motion – Bylaw #2 – Regular Board Meetings

The chair served Notice of Motion regarding Bylaw #2 – Regular Board Meetings to amend item 2.14 regarding Trustee participation at board meetings.

Trustee Ferguson left the meeting at 8:24pm and returned at 8:26pm

# 3. P/VP Meeting (Nov. 24)

The superintendent reported that lockdown procedures were reviewed at the last P/VP meeting and that safety plans will be updated with the inclusion of staging areas for all schools.

# 4. Field Trips

a) HSS - Band (8-12) - Music Festival (Whistler), April 27-30, 2017

#### Stewin

THAT the Board of Education for School District No. 78 (Fraser-Cascade) approve the overnight Hope Secondary Field Trip for the Grades 8-12 band class to Whistler from April 27 – 30, 2017 as presented.

312/16-12-13 HSS Band field trip to Whistler

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# CARRIED

b) HSS & SCE – Band (7) – Performance Tour (Victoria), May 16-18, 2017

#### Stewin

THAT the Board of Education for School District No. 78 (Fraser-Cascade) approve the overnight Hope Secondary and Silver Creek Elementary Field Trip for the Grade 7 band class to Victoria from May 16-18, 2017 as presented.

313/16-12-13 HSS & SCE Band field trip to Victoria

# CARRIED

#### G. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 1. Policy Bundle 2<sup>nd</sup> reading
  - a) New Policy Reimbursement for Expenses

# Koopman

THAT the Board of Education for School District No. 78 (Fraser-Cascade) approve second reading of New Policy – *Early Learning*, as presented.

CARRIED

314/16-12-13 New Policy – Early Learning - 2<sup>nd</sup> reading

# b) Policy #4033 - No Smoking

# Koopman

THAT the Board of Education for School District No. 78 (Fraser-Cascade) approve second reading of Policy #4033 – *No Smoking*, as presented.

CARRIED

315/16-12-13 Policy #4033 – No Smoking - 2<sup>nd</sup> reading

# c) Policy #4030 - Use of School Grounds, Buildings & Equipment

# Koopman

THAT the Board of Education for School District No. 78 (Fraser-Cascade) approve second reading of Policy #4030 – *Use of School Grounds, Buildings & Equipment*, as presented.

CARRIED

316/16-12-13
Policy #4030 –
Use of School
Grounds,
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Equipment
- 2<sup>nd</sup> reading

# 2. Bylaw #1 - Inaugural Meeting - 3rd reading

#### Kerr

THAT the Board of Education for School District No. 78 (Fraser-Cascade) approve third reading of Bylaw #1 – *Inaugural Meeting* as presented.

CARRIED

317/16-12-13 Bylaw #1 – Inaugural Meeting - 3<sup>rd</sup> reading

# 3. BCSTA FV Branch Meeting (Feb. 4, 2017)

The Superintendent reported that due to other obligations the AESS Home Economics class will not be able to cater to this luncheon meeting. It was suggested that the superintendent find a location in Agassiz to hold the meeting as well as catering options.

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#### H. INFORMATION

# 1. Graduation Years Curriculum Implementation

The superintendent reported that a letter has been sent out to parents from the Ministry indicating that an additional year has been provided for the implementation of the new curriculum for grade 10-12. The draft 10-12 curriculum will continue to be available for trial use through the 2017/18 school year with the official version available in July 2018 for the beginning of the 2018/19 school year. The Ministry also announced changes to the graduation program and provincial assessments. The changes align with the redesigned curriculum and provide greater flexibility in how students are assessed. Provincial assessments now focus on literacy and numeracy skills.

# 2. LAT Film Series

The assistant superintendent shared information on 3 films that are being shown throughout the district that address: 1) the recognition of the early signs of anxiety and depression; 2) strategies to help children/youth success; and 3) access to local, regional and online resources.

# 3. Social Media Intervention

The assistant superintendent reported that a Safety Program with the RCMP is being designed and that the new Community Youth Worker will be accessing a grant that will help address substance abuse and gang prevention. RCMP officers have also volunteered to receive training for the 'Keepin' it Real' program which includes segments of the old DARE program.

# I. CORRESPONDENCE

Nil

#### J. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- Consent agenda

# **K. NEXT MEETING**

DATE: **Jan. 10, 2017** TIME: **7:00 p.m.** 

PLACE: District Education Office

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

# Johnstone

THAT there being no further business, the meeting be adjourned.

318/16-12-13 Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:55pm.

Original signed by Board Chair

Original signed by Secretary-Treasurer

LINDA KERR Chair NATALIE LOWE CPA,CA Secretary-Treasurer