MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 58 (NICOLA-SIMILKAMEEN)

PRINCETON SECONDARY SCHOOL WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2022, 6:30 P.M.

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PRESENT:

Chairperson

G. Swan

Trustees

J. Jepsen

J. Kent-Laidlaw

E. Hoisington
J. Chenoweth

L. Ward

D. Rainer

Superintendent

S. McNiven

Assistant Superintendent

J. Kempston

Secretary Treasurer

D. Richardson

Assistant Secretary Treasurer

Vacant

Executive Assistant

J. McGifford

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE TRADITIONAL TERRITORIES AND METIS COMMUNITY

AGENDA

22/040

It was moved and seconded:

THAT the agenda be approved as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

22/041

It was moved and seconded:

THAT the public be excluded from this meeting concerning education, personnel, and operations.

MOTION CARRIED

MINUTES

22/042 It was moved and seconded:

THAT the minutes of the Special meeting held October 12, 2022, be adopted as circulated.

MOTION CARRIED

Business Arising from the Minutes

None

EDUCATION

Suspensions:

The Assistant Superintendent provided an update on the student suspensions that have occurred in the District over the recent months.

RACI Chart Review:

The Superintendent provided an update and will provide Trustees access to this chart for their information and review. Discussion around the Board Trustee Bulletin and clear communication are priorities and we will address this at Committee of the Whole.

Early Learning and Child Care Priorities:

The Superintendent explained that the District will be asserting communications to begin implementing our early learning initiatives. This will be included in CUPE Bargaining and communications with Riverside/Little Seeds Daycare surrounding potential spaces and renovations will be initiated. The Superintendent will provide Trustees with an update when these communications are about to take place.

PERSONNEL

Staff Resignations, Leaves, Appointments and Transfers:

Superintendent and Secretary Treasurer provided and update on the appointments, leaves, transfers within the District on Education, CUPE and Exempt Staff

Staffing Update:

The Superintendent spoke to the SCIDES Principalship and Director of Human Resources postings. Laura Rusjnak, our new Assistant Secretary Treasurer, arrives Nov 21, 2022. We are moving forward with the encouraging recruitment by offering

a Moving Cost Reimbursement to new teachers. He spoke to the recent successes in hiring Education Assistants across the District. There is also discussion around Certified / Non-Certified Teaching Staff as well as the recruitment of future Administration.

Labour Management Update:

The Superintendent spoke to the tentative provincial agreement with BCTF with ratification later in November. BCPSEA Symposium is also coming up in the next few weeks. Assistant Superintendent Jane Kempston and former Trustee Gordon Comeau will present on this at our next meeting. CUPE bargaining begins November 21, 2022 with recommendation from OLRC that we do not have Trustees present at the bargaining table. The Superintendent also acknowledged the TTOC Sick Pay/Sick Days grievance.

AUDIT AND FINANCE

Flood Expense Update:

The Secretary Treasurer provided an updated on the memo in the board package relating to flooding events of last November. A boil water advisory is still in effect for the Town of Princeton and we continue to work with Interior Health to monitor. Trustees queried as to whether water systems in schools could be EV filtered. The Superintendent will look into whether this was ever signed off of by Interior Health.

Student Enrolment Update (1701):

The Superintendent discussed the potential of funding protection due to enrollment being down in the District by 48 students overall. This decrease in enrolment is believed to be flood related.

POLICY COMMITTEE

Policy Audit:

The Superintendent spoke to the quote for review of our existing Policies and Procedures with a timeline of January or February. He noted that the Equity Scan must be incorporated in this process.

OPERATIONS

Vandalism Update:

The Secretary Treasurer announced that the installation of window shutters is scheduled for Diamond Vale Elementary. Security patrols are happening regularly with no repeats of vandalism noted. The Ministry has given the District an

extension for the use of funds to March 31, 2023 with another extension potentially required.

Princeton Secondary School License to Occupy Changes:

The Secretary Treasurer provided an update on the pending sale of the property adjacent to Princeton Secondary School. The District has updated it's License to Occupy Agreement and amalgamated with the Mobile Home Tenancy Act.

TRUSTEE QUERIES:

Trustees discussed the Thompson Okanagan Regional Branch Meeting (being held virtually) on the 18th of November. Attendance at the BCSTA New Member Academy and conference upcoming Dec 1-3 was also acknowledged.

ADJOURNMENT

The regular meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Chairperson

Secretary Treasurer