

SCHOOL DISTRICT #81 (FORT NELSON)  
FORT NELSON SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES

Open Meeting  
6:00 pm

Tuesday  
December 10, 2019

In Attendance:

L. Dolen, Chair  
M. Gilbert, Trustee  
R. Irwin, Trustee  
Y. Taylor, Trustee  
B. Dolan, Trustee  
D. Samchuck, Superintendent  
M. Hall, Secretary-Treasurer  
P. Anderson, Recording Secretary  
S. Smith, FNDTA President  
E. Dorosz-Gagne, FNDTA Liaison

Call to Order

Chair Dolen called the Open meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Acceptance of Agenda

Chair Dolen called for any additions or changes to the Open Agenda.

One item to be added to Education – Action c)

- Video Surveillance Policy

R19-077 That the Board of Education accept the Open agenda as amended. B. Dolan/M. Gilbert  
CARRIED

Acceptance of Minutes

Chair Dolen called for any errors or omissions to the Open minutes.

As no errors or omissions were identified Chair Dolen declared the Open minutes accepted as presented.

R19-078 Fort Nelson Secondary School Enhancing Student Learning Plan R. Irwin/Y. Taylor

That the Board of Education approve the Fort Nelson Secondary School Enhancing Student Learning Plan.

CARRIED

Discussion Ensued.

R19-079 2020-2021 District Pro D Days B. Dolan/R. Irwin

That the Board of Education approve the requested dates of February 23 and 24 for 2020-2021 District Pro D Days.

CARRIED

R19-080 Video Surveillance Policy R. Irwin/Y. Taylor

That the Board of Education adopt the Video Surveillance Policy

CARRIED

OPPOSED – Trustee Gilbert

Trustee Gilbert has an ongoing concern that we are surrendering students' privacy and accepting being watched when it is sometimes unnecessary. Discussion ensued.

R19-081 Education – Information Items M. Gilbert/Y. Taylor

- a) Principal Reports
- b) Toad River School Christmas concert & dinner invite

That the Board of Education file the reports as received.

CARRIED

Trustee Gilbert feels that publishing salaries of people because they have the misfortune of being public employees is a deprivation of privacy. There is no need of this as a demonstration of transparency. Trustee Irwin agrees with this statement. Discussion ensued.

R19-082 Finance - Information M. Gilbert/R. Irwin

- a) November Monthly Financials
- b) Statement of Financial Information (SOFI)

That the Board of Education file the reports as received.

CARRIED

Trustee Reports/Inquiries/Celebrations

- Trustee Irwin – Nothing to report.
- Trustee Dolan – FNSS PAC not meeting until January
- Trustee Taylor – Was scheduled to meet on December 5<sup>th</sup> but couldn't access the building. Will meet in the new year.
- Trustee Gilbert – GWC PAC meeting was moved to January. Attended a presentation on prospects of employment for clean energy. There were some leads that would be valuable for people to follow up on. This meeting was well attended. It would be beneficial for people to visit Engage BC, some valuable information there.
- Superintendent Samchuck – Getting close to Christmas break. She is very impressed with how hard people have worked and continue to work maintaining focus on the kids. They've done an awesome job.

- S. Smith – Attended the JS Clark Christmas dinner, it was amazing. Congratulations to L. Woodworth and other staff for the hard work and planning that goes into this event and continuing to do it year after year.
- E. Dorosz-Gagne – The grad wrapped up the Purdy’s fundraiser. \$2222.59 was raised after a goal of \$1000 was set. Thanks to all that bought and supported. Been working with C. Hall in the PE class. Grad pics were taken today. Kids looked great. They were encouraged to have a casual picture, pets, sports and group photos were also allowed.

Adjournment

Chair Dolen declared the Open meeting adjourned at 6:20

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Linda Dolen  
Chair

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Margaret-Anne Hall  
Secretary-Treasurer