

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

Open Meeting
6:00 pm

Tuesday
June 14, 2022

In Attendance:

L. Dolen, Chair
B. Dolan, Vice Chair
M. Gilbert, Trustee
R. Irwin, Trustee (via Zoom)
Y. Taylor, Trustee
D. Samchuck, Superintendent
M. Hall, Secretary-Treasurer
P. Anderson, Recording Secretary

Call to Order

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

Acceptance of Agenda

Chair Dolen called for any additions to the Open Agenda. As none were identified, Chair Dolen accepted the Open Agenda as presented.

Acceptance of Minutes

Chair Dolen called for any errors or additions to the Open Minutes of May 31. As none were identified, Chair Dolen accepted the Open Minutes of May 31 accepted as presented.

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| R22-024 | School Trustee Election
That the Board of Education Accept the Elections Cost Sharing Agreement between NRRM and SD #81 (Fort Nelson).
CARRIED | Y. Taylor/R. Irwin |
| R22-025 | 2022/2023 Band Trip Proposal
That the Board of Education approve the 2022/2023 Band Trip Proposal from D. Johnstone.
CARRIED | B. Dolan/M. Gilbert |

D. Johnstone spoke to the trip proposal. He is excited to offer the students the opportunity to travel next year. This is the first trip in a couple years, and he will have students that have not travelled on a school trip before. He wanted to keep it simple so decided to stay within BC. There is still uncertainty with COVID 19 so they will invest in the highest insurance to be in a good position if anything were to come up everyone would be covered.

R22-026	<p>2022/2023 Pro D Days</p> <p>That the Board of Education accept the first two meeting dates of September 27 and October 18. The remaining dates will be selected after the election process is complete.</p> <p>CARRIED</p>	B. Dolan/R. Irwin
R22-027	<p>2022/2023 Pro D Days</p> <p>That the Board of Education approve February 16 & 17 as 2022/2023 District Pro D Days.</p> <p>CARRIED</p>	B. Dolan/Y. Taylor
R22-028	<p>5 Year Major Capital Plan</p> <p>That the Board of Education approve the Five Year Capital Plan for outdoor learning spaces at each of our school sites, for a total of \$392,000.</p> <p>CARRIED</p> <p>Secretary-Treasurer Hall spoke to the capital submissions, typically major capital plans would be valued at anything over \$2.5 million, however there was no category for this particular project. We spoke with people from Facilities a couple weeks ago and to date they have not been able to come up with anything creative. This is the only project request we have for this year. In preparation for next year's plan, we plan to get the KMBR architect to look at upgrading the office area at FNSS when he comes next week to complete the RL Angus inspection.</p>	R. Irwin/Y. Taylor
R22-029	<p>Technology Inventory</p> <p>That the Board of Education give authorization to D. Johnstone to remove the technology inventory and to sell the items listed. Revenue will be put back into the technology budget.</p> <p>CARRIED</p> <p>D. Johnstone spoke to the past experiences he has had when selling off inventory. In about 30 minutes we were able to make about \$7000. Trustee Taylor asked if we have received any negative feedback, D. Johnstone responded by saying he gives a 30 day guarantee, but upon selling the equipment he explains that it is old but has been updated. The devices just aren't school worthy anymore.</p>	Y. Taylor/B. Dolan
R22-030	<p>2022/2023 Annual Budget Bylaw</p> <p>That the Board of Education approve all three readings of the Budget Bylaw.</p> <p>CARRIED</p>	Y. Taylor/M. Gilbert
R22-031	<p>That the Board of Education approved the Annual Budget Bylaw in the amount of \$12,627,294.</p>	R. Irwin/M. Gilbert

CARRIED

- R22-032 That the Board of Education file the Education Information items as received. M. Gilbert/R. Irwin
- BCSTA 2022 AGM Report of Proceedings
 - Principal Reports
 - Climate Change Accountability Report
 - Technology Year End Update – June 2022

CARRIED

- R22-033 Staff Amendments M. Gilbert/B. Dolan
- That the Board of Education file the Staff Amendments Report as received.

CARRIED

- R22-034 May Monthly Financials Y. Taylor/M. Gilbert
- That the Board of Education accept the May Financial Report as received.

CARRIED

Trustee Reports/Inquiries/Celebrations

- Vice Chair Dolan was please to sit in on the Toad River Capstone presentations. It was interesting to see the seamless work of the kids who work with the community. There were practical and innovative things happening which speaks well for that school and the community and is a great example of the community working with the school kids.
- Trustee Taylor participated in the Scholarship Committee meeting this morning and it went very well. Ms. Gilbert's retirement event will be held outside at Ms. Clarks house next Monday.
- Trustee Gilbert attended the GWC PAC meeting, they spent a lot of time planning and organizing year end events. They have started recruiting for executive positions. He has received positive comments about the motion to halt transactions with Russia.
- Trustee Irwin mentioned they the celebrated Chalo's 40th birthday. It was a great day. Chief Gale spoke to the importance of education and mentioned SD #81 as an important partner in their ongoing efforts to provide education.
- Chair Dolen participated in the Toad River Capstone project. She wanted to Congratulate Kylie on her choice to look at the indigenous language of where her origin is. She would be interested in seeing Benjamin's house. Sheldon covering all the bases of lead was also great and quite interesting.

- Superintendent Samchuck attended the retirement tea for Sue, it was lovely. Staff did a lovely job decorating and setting up. It was better than any of the teas she had ever attended. She did not attend Wayne's event at the Rec center however, they were missed. She took part in the Toad River Capstone project. She just loves the Toad River kids; it is always so interesting to see what they come up with and to hear what they have to say. The Director of Facilities and the Toad River Safety Representative visited the Toad River School to do their annual facilities inspection. Darryl was surprised to see Benjamin's house on school property, but it is on skids and is removable. She and Mrs. Attrill also took part in the FNSS Capstone Project, they were top notch; they seem to get better every time. Ms. Larson's leadership in that is beyond excellent. Students use their core competencies, and some were truly excellent. We had some from phenomenal make up to one student who went away for dual credit. One student from Prophet River had cooking videos which were excellently done. It was the best group yet.
- Principal Theobald attended Wayne's retirement party. It was interesting to celebrate a beloved staff member. It was very endearing to see the support from staff. He attended the Capstone presentations; it was interesting hearing about one student's experiences down south. We get positive feedback from the folks down south on our students. There was another presentation where one student shared about personal struggles she experienced in the last year. That takes great courage and is a good reminder of the challenges students overcome. Despite these challenges she is a successful graduate.
- Secretary-Treasurer Hall attended the retirement tea for Sue, it was lovely. She attended that Scholarship selection meeting. We did hear reference with respect to Capstone presentations that students put together. She recognizes Ms. Larson for all the hard work she puts in to this every year. They do get better and the decision gets more difficult each year. She participated in the Toad River Capstone project. It was interesting to have the Director of Facilities to visit Toad River and see where the cabin is located on the school grounds. She is looking forward to the Toad River graduation on June 21.

Vice Chair Dolan asked what happens if we get an applicant for the Principal Position over summer break, Superintendent Samchuck stated that the Board will be notified. Chair Dolen asked that if

Trustees will be away from the district to please let the Board Office know.

Trustee Irwin mentioned that next week recognizes indigenous day, it might be a good idea for someone from the District to recognize Elizabeth Burke on her years of service.

Adjournment

Chair Dolen declared the meeting adjourned at 6:47 pm

Linda Dolen
Chair

Margaret-Anne Hall
Secretary-Treasurer