

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

Open Meeting
6:00 pm

Wednesday
April 10, 2024

In Attendance:

L. Dolen, Chair
B. Dolan, Vice Chair (VIA Zoom)
K. Dickie, Trustee
Y. Taylor, Trustee
M. Theobald, Superintendent (VIA Zoom)
M. Power, Secretary-Treasurer
P. Anderson, Recording Secretary

Absent: F. Peach

Call to Order

Chair Dolen called the Open meeting to order at 6:05 pm.

Acceptance of Agenda

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

One item was added:

- Finance Action – Banking Resolution

R24-016 That the Board of Education accept the Open Agenda as amended.
CARRIED

K. Dickie/B. Dolan

Acceptance of Minutes

Chair Dolen called for any errors or omissions to the Open Minutes of February 21. As none were noted, Chair Dolen accepted the minutes as presented.

Review of Meal Per Diems

Trustee Taylor would like to propose that Meal Per Diems stay at \$50/day regardless of if meals are provided at conferences/events. It is very difficult to find meals for the allowable rate in Vancouver. Administrative Assistant Anderson will research rates from BCSTA and BCPSEA and bring it back to the next meeting on May 15.

R24-017 Policy 5220 – Field Trips
That the Board of Education table Policy 5220 – Field Trips.
CARRIED

Y. Taylor/K. Dickie

Trustee Taylor feels that two chaperones should be present on field trips. Superintendent Theobald will reach out to School Protection and post an update on Board Business.

R24-018	<p>2024-25 Pro-D Dates</p> <p>That the Board of Education approve February 13 & 14 as District Pro-D dates for 2024-25 school year.</p> <p>CARRIED</p>	Y. Taylor/K. Dickie
R24-019	<p>Pro-D Expenses 2021-2024</p> <p>That the Board of Education file the 2021-24 Expense reports from the Pro-D Committee as received.</p> <p>CARRIED</p>	K. Dickie/Y. Taylor
R24-020	<p>Capital Plan Bylaw No. 2024/25-CPSD81-01</p> <p>That the Board of Education approve all three readings of Capital Plan Bylaw No. 2024/25-CPSD81-1</p> <p>CARRIED</p>	Y. Taylor/K. Dickie
R24-021	<p>That the Board of Education adopt Capital Plan Bylaw No. 2024/25-CPSD81-01 for its approved 2024/25 Five-Year Capital Plan</p> <p>CARRIED</p>	K. Dickie/Y. Taylor
R24-022	<p>That the Board of Education ratify their motion previously passed by email to award the JSC renovation contract to WL Construction for a bid price of \$846,346 including Alternative Price #1.</p> <p>CARRIED</p>	B. Dolan/K. Dickie
R24-023	<p>That the Board of Education provide authorization to remove technology inventory and give D. Johnstone authority to sell the items listed. Revenue will be put back into the technology budget.</p> <p>CARRIED</p>	Y. Taylor/K. Dickie
R24-024	<p>Education Information</p> <p>That the Board of Education file the Education – Information Reports as received.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Superintendent’s Report • RLA Principal’s Report <p>CARRIED</p>	K. Dickie/Y. Taylor
R24-025	<p>Banking Resolution</p> <p>That the Board of Education certify the banking resolution and authorize the Superintendent, Secretary-Treasurer and one trustee as signing officers.</p> <p>CARRIED</p>	K. Dickie/Y. Taylor
R24-026	<p>Staff Amendments</p> <p>That the Board of Education file the Staff Amendment Report as Received.</p> <p>CARRIED</p>	B. Dolan/K. Dickie

Budget Update

Secretary-Treasurer Hall has been moving along with the budget. She has sent out the request for feedback from the public but has not received any. She worried about the timing with Spring Break happening, so she will send it out again. The final budget is due June 30.

Vice-Chair Dolan appreciated the thought process that went into the report that went out to the public. It was very well done; it was very comprehensive and gives people a good grasp on the budget. Well done!

Trustee Reports/Inquiries/Celebrations

- Trustee Taylor attended the FNSS PAC on behalf of Vice-Chair Dolan. Most of the meeting spoke of Guy Felicella, so much support and donations. The Municipality has agreed to waive rental fees for the rec center for the event. There are talks of there being two gangs in town right now, which is shocking to hear. We are hoping to develop a policy for counting money, the amount recorded on the envelope and the amount that was actually in the envelope did not match. There is hope that the cafeteria will open.
- Trustee Dickie attended the last IEC meeting as an observer. She will attend the RLA PAC meeting next week.
- Vice-Chair Dolan has a busy week with the upcoming AGM and Provincial Council meetings next week. Thanks to Trustee Taylor for attending the FNSS PAC meeting on his behalf.
- Chair Dolan will attend the IEC meeting VIA zoom. There is some talk about the bargaining process in the upcoming elections. The AGM is coming up on April 18 as well as Rural and Remote meeting following the AGM. Toad River PAC was cancelled but will be rescheduled.
- Superintendent Theobald had nothing to report.
- Secretary-Treasurer Hall had nothing to report.
- FNDDA President Gough is happy that we have a PAC member and a teacher attending the BCTF conference, this is exciting.
- FNDDA Liaison Trainor had nothing to report.

Adjournment

Chair Dolan declared the Open meeting adjourned at 6:37pm.

Linda Dolan
Chair

Margaret-Anne Hall
Secretary-Treasurer