

# Minutes



## PUBLIC MEETING

### The Board of Education of School District No. 34 (Abbotsford)

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**Date:** June 20, 2017  
**Time:** 7:02 p.m. to 9:25 p.m.  
**Location:** Abbotsford School District Administration Office

TRUSTEES IN ATTENDANCE: Shirley Wilson, Chair  
Stan Petersen, Vice Chair  
Phil Anderson  
Freddy Latham  
Preet Rai  
Cindy Schafer

TRUSTEE REGRETS: Rhonda Pauls

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE: Kevin Godden, Superintendent  
Ray Velestuk, Secretary-Treasurer  
Cheryl McLeod, Executive Assistant  
Corissa St.George, Recording Secretary

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### 1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Chair Wilson called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

### 2.0 APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

#### 2.1 Approval of the Agenda

**R17-093** It was MOVED by Trustee Anderson and SECONDED by Trustee Latham

THAT the Board of Education approve the Agenda of the Public Meeting of June 20, 2017.

**CARRIED**

### 3.0 O CANADA

The Board began the meeting with the singing of O Canada.

#### 3.1 Acknowledgement of Local Indigenous Community

Chair Wilson acknowledged that we reside on the shared traditional ancestral territory of the Sumas and Matsqui First Nations.

#### **4.0 CONSENT ITEMS**

##### **4.1 General Record of the Closed Meeting held May 30, 2017**

**R17-094** It was MOVED by Trustee Rai and SECONDED by Trustee Petersen

THAT the Board of Education approve the General Record of the Closed Meeting held May 30, 2017.

**CARRIED**

##### **4.2 Minutes of the Public Meeting held May 30, 2017**

**R17-095** It was MOVED by Trustee Rai and SECONDED by Trustee Petersen

THAT the Board of Education approve the Minutes of the Public Meeting held May 30, 2017.

**CARRIED**

##### **4.3 Enrolment Report – June 2017**

**R17-096** It was MOVED by Trustee Rai and SECONDED by Trustee Petersen

THAT the Board of Education receive the Enrolment Report for June 2017.

**CARRIED**

#### **5.0 DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

##### **5.1 National Skills Medalists**

Superintendent Godden welcomed Jennifer Bennato, Career Programs Coordinator who introduced the gold and bronze medal winners from the Skills Canada National Competition which was held in Winnipeg, MB. The students shared their experience in competing with many talented youth and shared highlights of their trades and technology skills projects.

##### **5.2 Community Matters Award**

Chair Wilson welcomed and congratulated Carol Timoffee as the 2017 recipient of the Community Matters Award for her significant contributions as a Big Brothers Big Sisters In-School Mentor. Ms. Timoffee has been mentoring students for the past 18 years and during that time, has been matched with nine Abbotsford School District students, working with each student on literacy support and mentorship.

The Community Matters Award was established to recognize community partners who make a significant contribution to the lives of students in the district.

5.3 Board Self-Evaluation

Chair Wilson introduced Dr. Terry Sullivan who provided a review of the Board Self-Evaluation process.

5.4 Delegation of McMillan Kindergarten Parents

Mr. Stephen Locke, Ms. Suzan Nowaczynski and Ms. Jenn Koss presented information to the Board regarding 2017 McMillan school kindergarten catchment students not getting a space at their catchment school.

**6.0 QUESTION PERIOD**

Questions regarding the grandfather clause in Administrative Procedure 336 were asked and responded to.

**7.0 REPORT ON ACHIEVEMENT/RESULTS**

7.1 Future of Science Fair

Superintendent Godden reported that the University of the Fraser Valley is interested in supporting and facilitating the Science Fair. The district will offer support on a transitional basis and will continue to encourage schools to participate.

7.2 Summary of changes to Administrative Procedures (APs)

Superintendent Godden presented the Administrative Procedures (AP) which were changed as per Board Policy 11. AP 302 'Class Size and Composition' was removed, AP 339 'Sexual Orientation Gender Identity and Expression' and AP 340 'Prohibiting Access to School Property – Maintenance of Order' were newly created Administrative Procedures.

7.3 Security and Safety Review Report

Secretary-Treasurer Velestuk presented the Security and Safety Review Report and the process staff used to collect information for the report following the tragic event that occurred at Abbotsford Senior Secondary School on November 1, 2016. Recommendations from the report will be reviewed by senior staff and a progress report of the recommendations will be available by June 30, 2018. The Board extended their appreciation for the comprehensive report.

**R17-097** It was MOVED by Trustee Rai and SECONDED by Trustee Schafer

THAT the Board of Education receive the Security & Safety Review Report prepared by Secretary-Treasurer Velestuk and Assistant Superintendent, Dr. Angus MacKay.

**CARRIED**

7.4 Long Term Facilities Plan Update

Secretary-Treasurer Velestuk shared that a final report including recommendations and summary of considerations will be based on the Board's prioritization, will be provided in September 2017.

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7.5 Capital Plan Approval

Secretary-Treasurer Velestuk requested the Board's approval for various projects which fall under five categories.

**R17-098** It was MOVED by Trustee Latham and SECONDED by Trustee Anderson

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 34 (Abbotsford) approve the Capital Plan as presented.

**CARRIED**

7.6 Proposed Regular (Public) Board Meeting Schedule for 2017-2018

**R17-099** It was MOVED by Trustee Schafer and SECONDED by Trustee Petersen

THAT the Board of Education approve the proposed Regular (public) Board Meeting Schedule for 2017-2018 as presented.

**CARRIED**

**8.0 COMMITTEE REPORTS**

8.1 Event Protocol

Trustee Schafer reviewed the purpose of creating the Event Protocol was to assist schools and district staff in planning and establishing appropriate procedures when dignitaries are invited to school and district functions. Discussion around where the document should be located for reference took place.

**R17-100** It was MOVED by Trustee Schafer and SECONDED by Trustee Anderson

THAT the Board of Education approve the Event Protocol as presented.

**CARRIED**

8.2 The Minutes of the Policy Committee Meeting held May 16, 2017

**R17-101** It was MOVED by Trustee Schafer and SECONDED by Trustee Latham

THAT the Board of Education receive the Minutes of the Policy Committee Meeting held May 16, 2017.

**CARRIED**

**9.0 REPORTS BY REPRESENTATIVES ON EXTERNAL ORGANIZATIONS**

There were no reports by representatives on external organizations at this meeting.

**10.0 NEW BUSINESS**

There was no new business to report at this meeting.

**11.0 TRUSTEE ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Trustees reported on recent events they attended throughout the district.

**12.0 QUESTION PERIOD**

Questions regarding the Security and Safety Review Report were asked and responded to.

**13.0 ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

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Board Chair

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Certified Correct, Secretary-Treasurer