

Minutes



PUBLIC MEETING

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

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Phone: 604.859.4891 Fax: 604.859.5898

Date: March 28, 2017
Time: 7:00 p.m. to 8:18 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

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Chair Wilson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2.0 APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

2.1 Approval of the Agenda

R17-056 It was MOVED by Trustee Anderson and SECONDED by Trustee Rai

THAT the Board of Education approve the Agenda of the Public Meeting of March 28, 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

There were no consent items presented at this meeting.

5.0 DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

There were no delegations/presentations/acknowledgements at this meeting.

6.0 QUESTION PERIOD

There were no questions asked in this question period.

7.0 REPORT ON ACHIEVEMENT/RESULTS

7.1 District Enrolment Pressures

Secretary-Treasurer Velestuk reviewed the enrolment pressures the District is facing for 2017/18, specifically at Abbotsford Middle School. Projections for 2017 indicate that enrolment at Abbotsford Middle could reach 731. The school has a capacity of 600. Enrolment for 2016/17 is at 680 with the addition of a portable to manage the enrolment increase. Secretary-Treasurer Velestuk reviewed the priority order of acceptance of students which will aid in obtaining the targeted capacity of 680.

The Board reviewed the options presented and agreed to continue following Administrative Procedure (AP) 336 – Student Registration & School Catchment Areas. The Board requested to receive enrolment updates every other month, staff will prepare the report.

7.2 2017-18 Budget

Secretary-Treasurer Velestuk provided details of the Operating Grant announcement which took place on March 15. Operating Grants will increase by \$3.4M. It was also noted that our share of the Classroom Enhancement Fund (restoration of the 2002 Collective Agreement) was just under \$10M. There is a second Public Budget Consultation scheduled for Wednesday, April 12 at 7:00 p.m. at the School District Administration Office.

8.0 COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were no Committee Reports at this meeting.

9.0 REPORTS BY REPRESENTATIVES ON EXTERNAL ORGANIZATIONS

There were no Reports by Representatives on External Organizations.

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10.0 NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business to report at this meeting.

11.0 TRUSTEE ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no Trustee Announcements at this meeting.

12.0 QUESTION PERIOD

Questions regarding registration priorities, enrolment management, and grandfathering provisions were asked.

13.0 ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

Board Chair

Certified Correct, Secretary-Treasurer