

## **AGENDA**

### **REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 58 (NICOLA-SIMILKAMEEN)**

**MERRITT BOARD ROOM  
WEDNESDAY, MAY 13, 2015, 6:00 P.M.**

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1. Agenda
2. Minutes of the Regular Meeting held April 15, 2015
3. Business Arising from the Minutes
4. **EDUCATION COMMITTEE**
  - \* a) Presentation: Learning Commons
  - \* b) Presentation: Merritt Secondary School Video Production - Ranching
  - \* c) Trustee Reps for Secondary School Graduations
  - \* d) Bill 11
  - \* e) School Plans
  - \* f) Superintendent's Report
5. **FINANCE COMMITTEE**
  - a) 2015/2016 Annual Budget Bylaw
6. **OPERATIONS COMMITTEE**
  - \* a) Vandalism Report

7. **TRUSTEE REPORTS**

- \* a) P.A.C. Reports
- \* b) Student Trustee Reports
- \* c) Other Reports
- \* d) Long Service/Retirement Teas

8. **PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD**

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

**MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF  
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 58 (NICOLA-SIMILKAMEEN)**

**PRINCETON BOARD OFFICE  
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15, 2015, 6:00 P.M.**

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PRESENT:	Chairman	G. Comeau
	Trustees	G. Ellingsen T. Kroeker L. Ward
	Student Trustees	Z. Douglas
	Superintendent	S. McNiven
	Secretary Treasurer	K. Black
	Assistant Secretary Treasurer	L. Lutter

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**AGENDA**

15/057 It was moved and seconded:  
THAT the agenda be approved as presented.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**MINUTES**

15/058 It was moved and seconded:  
THAT the minutes of the Regular meeting held March 11, 2015, be adopted as circulated.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**EDUCATION COMMITTEE**

**Transportation Request**

The Chairman advised the Board had received a letter from a number of parents requesting bus transportation for school age children living on Airport Road in Princeton. A request was made to make a presentation to the Board.

Parent Nicola Hodson noted her concern that bears, cougars, wild dogs and most recently a wolf, roam this area. She also noted that speeding vehicles were of particular concern. She remarked that she did not want her five year old walking to the high school and would appreciate a bus route being added.

Drew Erickson requested getting the bus route reinstated to the high school. He noted there are 11-13 students affected and there are no cross walks. He does not want any child walking on this road. He noted he has concerns regarding the parking lot at Princeton Secondary School as students have to walk between buses to get picked up.

Mr. Erickson advised the speed limit is 50km/h on the road which is regularly not enforced. He further noted the walk limit is only .12 km above the school district policy.

The Chairman noted the Board could contact the RCMP to monitor the speed on the road in order to address the speeding issue. Additionally, the Board could follow up with the Conservation officer to look at the wildlife situation.

He informed that if a change is made to a walk limit, the Board would have to consider the implications to the district as a whole.

Trustee Ward asked if the parents would consider paying a nominal fee.

It was discussed that the Superintendent will contact the parent spokesperson, Drew Erickson.

### **Princeton Secondary School – Learning Commons**

The Superintendent introduced Princeton Secondary School Principal, Sandee Blair, and teacher Leanne Atkinson. Ms. Atkinson provided a review of the learning commons at Princeton Secondary School. She noted that 869 hours of student use have occurred since February 16<sup>th</sup>. She advised the learning commons is open every day, all day, except for two hours a week and is mainly used for students doing classroom work and on-line courses.

The Chairman congratulated Ms. Atkinson on her completion of the Teacher Librarian certificate and thanked her for the great work occurring at the learning commons at Princeton Secondary School.

### **Enhancement Agreement Update**

The Superintendent introduced Principal for Aboriginal Education Shelley Oppenheim-Lacerte.

Ms. Oppenheim-Lacerte introduced the Spirit Lifters, a drumming group from Merritt Central Elementary School, who performed the Okanagan song.

Ms. Oppenheim-Lacerte provided an update on the Aboriginal Enhancement Agreement (EA). She provided highlights, noting the new agreement will be amending from a three-year to a five-year agreement.

Ms. Oppenheim-Lacerte introduced First Nation Support Workers (FNSWs) Renee Hartwell, Barb Parker, Mary-June Coutlee, Martha Chillihtizia, and Christine Chillihtizia. Ms. Martha Chillihtizia and Ms. Parker reviewed the four goals of the EA from an elementary perspective:

- Health and Wellness
- Culture and Language
- Self-Worth and Identity
- Academic Success

Ms. Christine Chillihtizia, Ms. Coutlee and Ms. Hartwell reviewed the four goals of the EA from a high school perspective:

- Health and Wellness
- Culture and Language
- Self-Worth and Identity
- Academic Success

Ms. Oppenheim-Lacerte acknowledged the great work the FNSWs are doing in the district and also acknowledged Debra Manual, who is a member of the AAC who was in attendance.

### **Field Trips**

The Superintendent approved list of field trips was circulated for information.

### **Superintendent's Report**

The Superintendent advised of the following activities occurring in the district:

- 2 gold medals won at the Regional Science Fair in Kamloops. One of the students will be going onto Nationals;
- Nicola-Canford is in first place for the BC Green games;
- Community service meeting held in Princeton;
- The district to attend monthly inter-agency meeting in Princeton;
- Upcoming Merritt Bench Elementary choir presentation;
- Amazing Literacy Race taking place in Princeton on May 7, 2015;
- Princeton Secondary School 5 km color run organized by the leadership class;
- Administrators heading to the TRU Career Fair to hire potential for TTOCs; and
- Princeton Secondary School 2016 Europe field trip in the spring of 2016.

## **OPERATIONS COMMITTEE**

### **2015/2016 Annual Facility Grant Plan**

The Secretary Treasurer provided a review of the 2015/2016 annual facility grant. He noted that the Operations Committee met with the Operations Manager and has recommended the plan.

15/059 It was moved and seconded:

THAT approval be given for the 2015/2016 Annual Facility Grant Plan in the amount of \$932,300.

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

### **Annual Facility Grant Bylaw # 126860**

15/060 It was moved and seconded:

THAT the 2015/2016 Annual Facility Grant Bylaw specifying a maximum expenditure of \$513,536 be read a first and second time.

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

It was unanimous that a third reading be held.

15/061 It was moved and seconded:

THAT the 2015/2016 Annual Facility Grant Bylaw specifying a maximum expenditure of \$513,536 be read a third time, finally passed and adopted.

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## **TRUSTEE REPORTS**

Trustee Ward for Vermilion Forks Elementary School.

### **Student Trustee Report**

Student Trustee Douglas reported on the activities at Princeton Secondary School.

## **PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD**

Reporter Dawn Johnson asked if the Annual Facilities Grant allotment is lower than in previous years.

The Secretary Treasurer advised the allotment has not changed significantly over past years.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The regular meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

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Chairman

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Secretary Treasurer

## ANNUAL BUDGET BYLAW

A Bylaw of THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 58 (NICOLA-SIMILKAMEEN) (called the "Board") to adopt the Annual Budget of the Board for the fiscal year 2015/2016 pursuant to section 113 of the *School Act*, R.S.B.C., 1996, c. 412 as amended from time to time (called the "Act").

1. The Board has complied with the provisions of the *Act* respecting the Annual Budget adopted by this bylaw.
2. This bylaw may be cited as School District No. 58 (Nicola-Similkameen) Annual Budget Bylaw for the fiscal year 2015/2016.
3. The attached "Statement 2" showing the estimated revenue and expense for the 2015/2016 fiscal year and the total budget bylaw amount of \$29,242,997 for the 2015/2016 fiscal year was prepared in accordance with the *Act*.
4. Statement 2, 4 and Schedules 2 to 4 are adopted as the Annual Budget of the Board for the fiscal year 2015/2016.

READ A FIRST TIME THE 13<sup>th</sup> DAY OF May, 2015;

READ A SECOND TIME THE 13<sup>th</sup> DAY OF May, 2015;

READ A THIRD TIME, PASSED AND ADOPTED THE 13<sup>th</sup> DAY OF May, 2015.

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**Chairperson of the Board**

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**Secretary Treasurer**

I HEREBY CERTIFY this to be a true original of School District No.58 (Nicola-Similkameen) Annual Budget Bylaw 2015/2016, adopted by the Board the 13<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2015.

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**Secretary Treasurer**