

MINUTES

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

**PRINCETON BOARD OFFICE
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12, 2017, 6:00 P.M.**

PRESENT:	Chairman	G. Comeau
	Trustees	G. Ellingsen B. Jepsen T. Kroeker D. Rainer G. Swan L. Ward
	Student Trustees	M. Brodie M. White
	Superintendent	S. McNiven
	Assistant Superintendent	C. Perkins
	Secretary Treasurer	K. Black
	Assistant Secretary Treasurer	L. Lutter

AGENDA

17/053 It was moved and seconded:
THAT the agenda be approved as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

MINUTES

17/054 It was moved and seconded:
THAT the minutes of the Regular meeting held March 8, 2017, be adopted as circulated.

MOTION CARRIED

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Presentation: Outdoor Ed – Take a Hike Program

The Superintendent introduced Jim Laidlaw, a counsellor with the Phoenix Drug and Alcohol Program, along with Principal of Student Support Service Jane Kempston and Principal of Kengard Learning Centre Colleen Mullin.

Mr. Laidlaw provided an overview of the “Take a Hike Program” noting it is a three-way partnership between the community, the foundation and the school district. He explained that it is a full-time eighteen-month education program in academics, community involvement, counselling and outdoor activity.

17/055 It was moved and seconded:

THAT approval be given for Mr. Laidlaw to explore Phase One of the Take a Hike Program and to bring this back to the board for further discussion.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Presentation: Colour Me Playful Fundraiser

Princeton Secondary School Student Hannah Gould provided an overview of the third annual 5 km Colour Run to be held on May 27, 2017, with this year’s theme being Colour Me Playful. She reported that the funds raised will be going towards the John Allison playground.

17/056 It was moved and seconded:

THAT approval be given for the Board to support the Colour Run with the purchase of paint to a maximum of \$200.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Presentation: Kitchen Kids

John Allison Teacher Shirley Lowe and her students Owen Kaiser, Katlyn Harry, Marti Erickson, Abby Erickson and Jonah Yurkowski provided an overview of the Kitchen Kids.

Field Trips

17/057 It was moved and seconded:

THAT the following field trips be approved as requested, subject to Board policy for field trips:

Merritt Bench Grade 7 year-end trip to Eagle Bay Resort on May 29 – 31, 2017; and Vermilion Forks Outdoor Camping trip to Tappen, BC on May 29 – 31, 2017.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Superintendent's Report

The Superintendent provided an update on the following activities in the district:

- Honorable Lieutenant Governor Judith Guichon attended Diamond Vale
- Professional Learning opportunities occurring across the district
 - Supervision for learning
 - Harvard Learning rounds
- BC Skills competition success
- Fine Arts Celebration in Princeton and Merritt
- Districts spring sports
 - Rugby
 - Soccer

OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

Merritt Central Elementary Electronic Crosswalk Sign

The Board Chair discussed the recent incident whereby a student was struck at the crosswalk in front of Merritt Central Elementary School.

17/058 It was moved and seconded:

THAT the Secretary Treasurer discuss with the City of Merritt areas of concern around crosswalks at schools.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

AUDIT AND FINANCE

Capital Bylaw No. 17/18-CP-SD58-01

17/059 Moved first and second:

THAT Capital Bylaw No. 17/18-CP-SD58-01 be read a first and second time.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

It was unanimous that third and final reading be given.

17/060 It was moved and seconded:

THAT Capital Bylaw No. 17/18-CP-SD58-01 be read a third time, finally passed and adopted.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Youth Trades Funding

The Superintendent advised of the recent Youth Trades funding announcement totalling \$174,411. He noted that the total funding will be provided over a three-year period with the majority arriving in year one.

Nicola Lake School Disposal Bylaw

17/061 It moved and second:

THAT the Nicola Lake School Disposal Bylaw be read a first and second time.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

17/062 It was moved and seconded:

THAT the Nicola Lake School Disposal Bylaw be read a third time, finally passed and adopted.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Operating Grant Comparison

The Secretary Treasurer provided an overview of the operating grant for 2016-2017 and estimated 2017-2018.

Budget Process Date – Revised

The Secretary Treasurer reviewed the revised dates for the budget meetings with Trustees.

Classroom Enhancement Fund (CEF)

The Superintendent spoke to the notional \$1.6 million allotment for the district. He noted there is a spreadsheet that will be submitted to the ministry for approval.

TRUSTEE REPORTS

The following Trustees reported on recent PAC meetings:

Trustee Jepsen for Merritt Central Elementary Schools, Trustee Swan for Merritt Secondary School, Trustee Rainer for Princeton Secondary School, Trustee Ward for Vermilion Forks Elementary, and Trustee Comeau for John Allison Elementary School.

Student Trustee Report

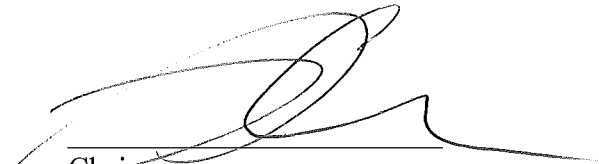
The Student Trustees reported on recent events at Princeton Secondary School.

Other Reports


Trustee Rainer reviewed the recent DPAC meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

The regular meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.



Chairman



Secretary Treasurer