

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

Open Meeting  
5:00 pm

Tuesday  
April 15, 2014

In Attendance:  
L. Dolen, Chair  
L. Bumstead, Vice Chair  
D. Tofte, Trustee  
M. Gilbert, Trustee  
E. Ashdown, Trustee  
D. Samchuck, Superintendent  
M. Hall, Secretary-Treasurer  
D. Umpherville, Recording Secretary

Guests:  
S. Kenney, FNDTA Liaison  
S. Payne, FNDTA President

Call to Order  
Chair Dolen called the meeting to order at 6:07 pm

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| R14-032 | Acceptance of Agenda<br>That the Board of Education accept the Agenda as presented.<br>CARRIED  | Gilbert/Tofte    |
| R14-033 | Acceptance of the Minutes<br>That the Board of Education accept the minutes as read of the Open Meeting of March 4, 2014.<br>CARRIED  | Gilbert/Ashdown  |
|         | Report on Closed Items:<br>Budget<br>Administration Contract<br>Fees – Use of School Facilities   |                  |
| R14-034 | GW Carlson PAC Fundraising Amendment<br>That the Board of Education approve the amended GW Carlson Elementary School PAC Fundraising Plan to include soliciting businesses to provide donations for the Magic Show at the Phoenix Theatre on April 24, 2014.<br>CARRIED | Bumstead/Gilbert |
| R14-035 | Texas 4000 Cancer Team<br>That the Board of Education authorize the use of the gymnasium, on July 11, 2014 at no cost, to the Texas 4000 for Cancer Team.<br>CARRIED  | Gilbert/Ashdown  |

R14-036	<p>University of Alberta Mixed Chorus 70<sup>th</sup> Annual Tour</p> <p>That the Board of Education authorize the use of the FNSS gymnasium, at no cost, to the University of Alberta Mixed Chorus on the evening of April 27, 2014.</p> <p>CARRIED</p>	Gilbert/Bumstead
R14-037	<p>Fuel Tender</p> <p>That the Board of Education endorse the Secretary-Treasurer's acceptance of the tender submitted by Alberta Fuel Distributors.</p> <p>CARRIED</p>	Gilbert/Tofte
R14-038	<p>2014-2015 Annual Facility Grant Funding Bylaw #126790</p> <p>That the Board of Education approve all three readings of the 2014-2015 Annual Facilities Grant Program Bylaw #126790</p> <p>Read a First time the 15<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2014</p> <p>Read a Second time the 15<sup>th</sup> of April, 2014</p> <p>Read a Third time the 15<sup>th</sup> of April, 2014</p> <p>CARRIED</p>	Gilbert/Tofte
R14-039	<p>That the Board of Education approve the 2014-2015 Annual Facilities Grant Program Bylaw #126790 in the amount of \$253270.</p> <p>CARRIED</p>	Ashdown/Gilbert
R14-040	<p>Policy 5310 – School Fundraising</p> <p>That the Board of Education authorize the revised Policy 5310 be released for circulation for 30 days.</p> <p>CARRIED</p>	Gilbert/Ashdown
R14-041	<p>Policy 2270 – use of School Facilities</p> <p>That the Board of Education authorize the revised Policy 2270 be released for circulation for 30 days.</p> <p>CARRIED</p>	Gilbert/Bumstead
R14-042	<p>Policy Section 2000</p> <p>That the Board of Education approve the changes to Policy Section 2000 series to be distributed for 30 days, with the exception of Policy 2260 as it was only reviewed, no changes were made.</p> <p>Policy 2010 – Communication with the Public</p> <p>Policy 2020 – Delegations to Board Meetings</p> <p>Policy 2110 – Parent Advisory Councils</p> <p>Policy 2120 – Visits to the Schools</p> <p>Policy 2230 – Public Inquiries/Concerns</p> <p>Policy 2260 – Advertising/Promotion and Communication</p> <p>CARRIED</p>	Gilbert/Ashdown
R14-043	<p>Education Information</p> <p>That the Board of Education receive and file the reports as presented,</p>	Ashdown/Gilbert

including the Superintendent's Report presented at the meeting  
CARRIED

Superintendent's Report

- Attended Aboriginal Enhancement Meeting with E. Ashdown and L. Bumstead
- Attended Penguin luncheon at JSC with M. Hall
- Attended Level 2 ERASE training on April 2 & 3
- Attended policy meeting
- Attended BCSSA Conference on April 10 & 11 - great speaker, engaging, positive inspirational experience.
- sent message to the Board from Prophet River LEA - to follow up
- will request a robotics demonstration for the Board

R14-044	Amendments to the Staff List That the Board of Education receive and file the report as presented. CARRIED	Bumstead/Ashdown
R14-045	Letter from Northern Rockies Children and Families Action Committee That the Board of Education receive and file the letter. CARRIED	Bumstead/Gilbert
R14-046	Monthly Financial Report That the Board of Education receive and file the report. CARRIED	Gilbert/Tofte

Trustee Reports/Inquiries/Celebrations

Trustee Ashdown

- Wilf from Subway stated that he would take any and all composting materials from any of the schools on a daily basis. We would need a list of compostable materials to see if this is feasible.
- GWC PAC meeting cancelled on March 10
- Attended Aboriginal Enhancement meeting with R. Irwin
- Shout out to K. Reddy and Rachel's Challenge group - they decorated for the Heritage Dance and did an outstanding job

Trustee Ashdown left the meeting at 7:05 pm

Trustee Gilbert

- Attended Penguin Parade at JSC
- BCSTA Provincial Council meeting - L. Dolen will be representing SD #81
- Expressed dismay with Ministry - believes Minister has surpluses in his sights. Also stated as much as Ministry will respond to public criticism by referring parents back to the Boards, it is the uncertainty that is harming the welfare of the students.

Trustee Tofte

- Attended Green Committee meeting
- Attended 2 PAC meetings – concerns of declining enrolment, but support the District
- Hungry students at FNSS = Breakfast for Learning monies all used up for the year.

R14-047

That the Board of Education approve a top-up to the existing Breakfast for Learning funds to a maximum of \$500 at the discretion of the Superintendent.

Gilbert/Bumstead

CARRIED

Vice Chair Bumstead

- Had issue accessing District Calendar online through the webpage; would like to be able to send parents to the site, but need confirmation that it is available
- Attended Dr. MacNamara Parenting Presentation at Chalo
- JSC PAC – Leah Lollipop went over very well

Chair Dolen

- Attended Aboriginal Enhancement meeting
- Attended Pink day at FNSS in February
- Staff Appreciation on June 5<sup>th</sup>
- Out of town next week
- Local MLA has been replaced

Secretary-Treasurer Hall

- Appreciated being involved with level 2 ERASE training
- Attended Dr. MacNamara Parenting Presentation – Anxiety in Children. Huge success with over 50 people in attendance.
- Took in Apache presentation at FNSS on April 9, 2014. Will be getting more information to send out.
- Attended Fine Arts Showcase on April 10, 2014. There was a Fine Arts presentation followed by music and jazz performances

FNDTA President

- Teachers are worried about declining enrolment and have concerns about a layoff situation
- Principal/Teacher ratio at FNSS. All of the principals have a teaching assignment – put all together this could equal another teacher for FNSS
- Students need more teachers, teacher librarians and more course offerings at FNSS – FNDTA realizes it is challenging
- Spring Fling – on April 26 upstairs in the Curling Club Lounge from 8:00 pm to midnight. Please come and join us for some fun.

FNDTA Liaison

- Gymnastics at GWC – from Grade 1 teacher perspective was amazing. All the students felt safe and were able to do things they had never done before – it was an incredible experience for her students.

The Scientist in Residence program will continue again this year. Angela Crane will not be coming up this year, but there will be 2 Scientists coming up in her place. This is in partnership with Encana and the costs are going to be split between Encana and the Board of Education. We are excited as this was a huge success last year.

R14-048

Adjourn

That the Board of Education adjourn the meeting at 7:35 pm

CARRIED

Gilbert/Tofte



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Linda Dolen  
Chair



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Margaret-Anne Hall  
Secretary-Treasurer