

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

Open Meeting
6:00 pm

Tuesday
June 24, 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

Call to Order
Chair Dolen called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm

R14-075 Acceptance of the Agenda Bumstead/Ashdown
That the Board of Education accept the Agenda as presented.
CARRIED

R14-076 Acceptance of the Minutes Gilbert/Bumstead
That the Board of Education accept the Minutes of the Open
Meeting on June 10, 2014
CARRIED

Report on Closed Items:
Rental Rate
Technology Plan
Extended Health Care Plan
Evaluation Reports

R14-077 Board Meeting Dates 2014-2015 Tofte/Gilbert
That the Board of Education approve the proposed Board
Meeting dates for the 2014-2015 school year and further
approve the Closed meeting start time of 5:00 pm.
CARRIED

Board Meeting Dates 2014-2015
September 23
October 14
November 4
December 2
January 20
February 10
March 3
April 14
May 5
May 26
June 16
June 30

R14-078	<p>Use of Board Property by Licensed Daycare Providers That the Board of Education approve the policy for circulation for 30 days and that the Board of Education approve Administration to conduct business in the spirit of the policy. CARRIED</p> <p>That the Board of Education approve the rate of .35 per square foot in keeping with the policy. CARRIED</p>	Gilbert/Bumstead
R14-079	<p>Toad River School – Grounds/Maintenance Services That the Board of Education endorse the Secretary-Treasurer’s acceptance of Nathaniel Steward’s proposal of \$30.00 per hour on an as needed basis for Toad River School – Grounds/Maintenance Service for the period of July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2017. CARRIED</p>	Bumstead/Gilbert
R14-080	<p>2014-2015 Annual Budget Bylaw That the Board of Education approve all three readings of the 2014-2015 Annual Budget Bylaw. CARRIED</p>	Bumstead/Tofte
R14-081	<p>That the Board of Education approve the 2014-2015 Annual Budget Bylaw in the amount of \$11,509,742. CARRIED</p>	Ashdown/Bumstead
R14-082	<p>Education Information Reports That the Board of Education receive and file the Education Information reports as presented. CARRIED</p> <p>Superintendent’s Report The Superintendent gave an update on the Essential Service Order and an update on our current postings of vacant positions.</p> <p>Discussion took place over number of students requiring Speech Pathology Discussion took place with regards to Fundraising Reconciliations. Checks and balances are important and Secretary-Treasurer Hall to put together a report regarding extensive trip reconciliations where per diems from the Board were requested.</p>	Bumstead/Gilbert
R14-083	<p>Staff Amendments That the Board of Education receive and file the Staff Amendments as presented. CARRIED</p>	Bumstead/Ashdown

Trustee Reports/Inquiries/Celebrations

Vice Chair Bumstead

- JSC PAC meeting was cancelled
- Attended conference calls and Policy meeting
- Attended Budget meeting

Chair Dolen

- Aboriginal Education meeting cancelled on Tuesday.
- Has posted a number of letters on facebook regarding current job action, legislation, etc.
- FNSS Awards Ceremony cancelled
- Attended Scholarship meeting
- Attended Policy meeting

Trustee Ashdown

- Kudos to everyone at the Board Office level, everyone is doing a good job keeping up
- Attended Special Board Meeting – June 2
- Went to Staff Appreciation – June 5
- Attended GWC PAC meeting – June 9
- Attended Policy meeting – June 18

Trustee Gilbert

- Pleased that level of personal relationships has not been adversely affected due to the strike. People using a civil tone with one another
- Brought a proposed motion for the Board to look at over the summer, and hopes to bring it up in the fall.

Trustee Tofte

- Attended FNSS PAC meeting – June 11
- Attended Policy meeting
- Pleased with the notes being sent home to parents, informing them of what is going on

Superintendent Samchuck

- Thanked the Board of Education for the lunch they are going to provide to Board Staff – it is a very nice gesture
- Overall, people have handled themselves well in these difficult times. Areas that have been hit hardest are Payroll, Maintenance and the Administrative Assistant/Education. All of these positions have dealt with lots of stress and have had to put in extra time – thank you.

Secretary-Treasurer Hall

- Thanked the Board as well – little gestures can go a long way.
- Attended Scholarship meeting – it wasn't long ago, that we had no applicants for Provincial scholarship, but this year were amazed at the portfolios presented. Hoping that some of these can be shown as examples for next year's grads.

Discussion over Student Achievement took place. There weren't any significant changes to Student Achievement. Hoping to start up the District Math Committee again in the fall, as this is still our weakest area.

R14-084

Adjournment

Gilbert/Bumstead

That the Board of Education adjourn the meeting at 7:20 pm

CARRIED



Linda Dolen
Chair



Margaret-Anne Hall
Secretary-Treasurer