

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

Open Meeting
6:00 pm

Tuesday
June 16, 2015

In Attendance:

L. Dolen, Chair
M. Gilbert, Vice-Chair – attended via telephone
D. Tofte, Trustee
E. Ashdown, Trustee
B. Dolan, Trustee
D. Samchuck, Superintendent
M. Hall, Secretary-Treasurer
D. Umpherville, Recording Secretary

Guests:

C. Bradley, Teacher
D. Childs, BCGEU
H. Sommerfeld, BCGEU
K. Lindsey, BCGEU
G. Gerwing, FNDTA President
P. Nelson, FNDTA Liaison

Call to Order

Chair L. Dolen called the meeting to order at 6:07 pm.

Acceptance of the Agenda

Chair L. Dolen called for any additions to the Agenda. One addition was identified under Presentations: Staff Appreciation Certificates/Awards. As no further additions were identified, Chair L. Dolen declared the Agenda accepted as amended.

Acceptance of the Minutes

Chair L. Dolen called for any errors or omissions to the Open Minutes of May 26, 2015. One omission was noted under Weed Control – the work is to be completed by July 15, 2015. As no further errors or omissions were identified, Chair L. Dolen declared the Minutes accepted with noted amendments.

Staff Presentations:

The following Staff members were recognized for their years of service to School District #81:

Helga Sommerfeld – 3 years of service.
Chelsea Bradley – 5 years of service.
Debbie Childs – 15 years of service.
Kiki Lindsey – 15 years of service.

H. Sommerfeld, C. Bradley, D. Childs and K. Lindsey left the meeting at 6:18 pm.

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| R15-033 | Amended Toad River Calendar That the Board of Education approve the 2015-2016 Toad River Calendar as presented. CARRIED | B. Dolan/E. Ashdown |
| R15-034 | Policy 2290 – School Closure and/or Reorganization Policy That the Board of Education circulate the Policy, with noted amendments, for 30 days in September. CARRIED | B. Dolan/E. Ashdown |
| R15-035 | 2015-2016 Annual Budget Bylaw That the Board of Education approve all three readings of the 2015-2016 Annual Budget Bylaw. CARRIED | M. Gilbert/D. Tofte |
| R15-036 | That the Board of Education approve the 2015-2016 Annual Budget Bylaw in the amount of \$11,046,371. CARRIED | M. Gilbert/B. Dolan |
| R15-037 | Education Information That the Board of Education file the following Education Information items: Principal Reports, Enrolment Reports, Project Heavy Duty CARRIED | E. Ashdown/B. Dolan |
| R15-038 | Facilities/Services Information: That the Board of Education file the 2014 Carbon Neutral Action Report. CARRIED | D. Tofte/E. Ashdown |
| R15-039 | Finance Information: That the Board of Education file the May Monthly Financial Reports. CARRIED | D. Tofte/B. Dolan |
| | Trustee Reports/Inquiries/Celebrations: Trustee M. Gilbert That the Board of Education of School District #81 recognize and acknowledge the injustices done to First Nations people and communities, as documented in the recently released Sinclair Report, and furthermore, that a letter to this effect be transmitted to all First Nations with students attending school District #81, with copies to appropriate recipients. | M. Gilbert/E. Ashdown |
| R15-040 | Discussion took place and the following motion was passed: That the Board of Education table the preceding motion until the next meeting. CARRIED | D. Tofte/B. Dolan |
| | Trustee E. Ashdown <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nothing to report | |

Trustee B. Dolan

- Had conversation with a parent with a student who was enrolled in the Trades Program at FNSS. The student, Mitchell Dececco has written the ITA exam and has just completed his Red Seal ticket Level A Mechanic, in very short order. It is a credit to the breadth of the program offered through FNSS.

Trustee D. Tofte

- Nothing to report

Chair L. Dolen

- Unable to attend Scholarship Committee meeting on Monday June 22 – Trustee D. Tofte has offered to step in
- Unable to attend Aboriginal Education lunch on Tuesday, June 23 – Trustee E. Ashdown is also unavailable. Trustee M. Gilbert offered to step in if needed – Chair L. Dolen to look into.

Superintendent Samchuck

- Follow up Pro-D Days 2015-2016 – Spoke with S. Kenney Pro-D Chair, and because of the late start to the school year, the calendar works well with Pro-D days falling in the 2nd semester. It was determined that the 2015-2016 Pro-D days will be on February 25 & 26, 2016.

R15-041

That the Board of Education give Superintendent Samchuck authority to approve the Pro-D days for the next school year.
CARRIED

E. Ashdown/B. Dolan

Secretary-Treasurer Hall

- Staff Appreciation was great
- Congratulations to G. Gerwing on 25 years with the District

FNDTA President

- Enjoyed Staff Appreciation – well done, it was great.

Adjournment

Chair L. Dolen declared the meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm.



Linda Dolen
Chair



Margaret-Anne Hall
Secretary-Treasurer