

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

Open Meeting  
6:00 pm

Tuesday  
January 19, 2016

In Attendance:

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

Guests:

G. Gerwing, FNDTA President  
P. Nelson, FNDTA Liaison

Call to Order

Chair L. Dolen called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Acceptance of the Agenda

Chair L. Dolen called for any additions or changes to the Open Agenda. As no items were identified, Chair L. Dolen declared the Open Agenda accepted as presented.

Acceptance of the Minutes

Chair L. Dolen called for any errors or omissions to the Open Minutes of December 8, 2015. As no errors or omissions were identified, Chair L. Dolen declared the Open Minutes of December 8, 2015 accepted as presented.

Report on Closed Items:

- DRC Report
- Vision Statement
- 1701 Audit

R16-001

School Growth Plans

That the Board of Education approve the School Growth Plans as presented.

CARRIED

B. Dolen/E. Ashdown

School Tours

The Board of Education came to an agreement on the following dates:

January 26, 2016 – JS Clark at 12:15 pm

January 27, 2016 – GW Carlson at 9:30 am

January 29, 2016 – RL Angus at 12:45 pm

Toad River and Fort Nelson Secondary dates to be determined.

R16-002	<p>Policy 2290 – School Closure and/or Reorganization That the Board of Education adopt Policy 2290 – School Closure and/or Reorganization, with noted revisions. CARRIED</p>	D. Tofte/B. Dolan
R16-003	<p>Policy 1320 – Enhancing Student Learning That the Board of Education approve Policy 1320 – Enhancing Student Learning for distribution for 30 days for stakeholder input. CARRIED</p>	M. Gilbert/B. Dolan
R16-004	<p>Policy 5250 – Inspection of Student Lockers That the Board of Education approve Policy 5250 – Inspection of Student Lockers for distribution for 30 days for stakeholder input. CARRIED</p>	B. Dolen/D. Tofte
R16-005	<p>That the Board of Education refer Policy 5250 for legal opinion with regards to whether it adequately addresses the issue of student privacy and security. CARRIED</p>	M. Gilbert/B. Dolan
R16-006	<p>Bylaw #3 – Board Meeting Proceedings That the Board of Education unanimously approve the first and second readings of the Bylaw #3 – Board Meeting Proceedings. CARRIED</p> <p>Prophet River Local Education Agreement Discussion was held over potential meeting dates. The Superintendent to contact Prophet River to see if early February dates will work and then pass the information onto the Board.</p>	B. Dolan/D. Tofte
R16-007	<p>Local Calendar – addendum That the Board of Education approve the Local and Toad River amended calendars to be submitted to the Ministry of Education. CARRIED</p> <p>Provincial Council Issues Forum Discussion ensued. Chair L. Dolen to attend the Provincial Council meetings in place of Trustee Gilbert.</p>	B. Dolan/E. Ashdown
R16-008	<p>Education Information That the Board of Education file the following Education Information items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Superintendent’s Report</li> <li>• Technology Report</li> </ul> <p>CARRIED</p>	B.Dolan/E. Ashdown
R16-009	<p>Staff Amendments That the Board of Education file the Personnel Information as presented. CARRIED</p>	M. Gilbert/B. Dolan

## Trustee Reports/Inquiries/Celebrations

### Trustee E. Ashdown

- Attended GWC PAC meeting last week. Will attend when he is able, but as the PAC meetings are held on Tuesdays, there is quite often a conflict with Board meetings.
- Inquired about the FNSS Boilers. Secretary-Treasurer explained deductible, and will keep the Board updated. A parallel investigation is also being done on the equipment to see if anything was faulty.

### Trustee B. Dolan

- Involved with District Pro-D Committee and the chair and school representatives are doing a good job of organizing the upcoming events.
- Attended JSC PAC meeting and gave details of JSC initiatives. Also a mention to the Secretary-Treasurer for helping with Leah Lollipop arrangements.

### Trustee D. Tofte

- Attended FNSS PAC meeting. PAC would like diagram of the parking lot and any information sent to them would be cc'd to the Secretary-Treasurer. PAC also looking at a new digital display board outside.
- Attended the Solid Waste Management meeting as a Board of Education representative.

### Trustee M. Gilbert

- Participated in the distribution of chocolates to the schools
- The Refugee Committee may approach the schools to give them an opportunity to make an unspecified contribution.
- Did not attend the Inservice Day, but was able to attend a talk by Kathy Dickie at the United Church on Sunday, which he felt was useful.
- Had a question regarding the solar panels at FNSS, but deferred it to the Secretary-Treasurer.

### Chair L. Dolen

- Attended school Christmas Concerts with the Superintendent.
- Attended an Aboriginal Education meeting in December.
- Attended the Inservice Day and was pleased to see representatives from Fort Nelson First Nation, Prophet River First Nation, the Ministry of Children and Families.
- Attending the Northern Interior Branch meeting in Prince George this weekend.
- Asked Administrative Assistant Umpherville to look into the possibility of attending the BCPSEA AGM via remote means of communication.

### Superintendent Samchuck

- Had a successful Inservice Day on Aboriginal History and Intergenerational Impacts by Gayle Bedard. Gayle did a wonderful job of presenting the material and the feedback received was all positive. Gayle was presented with a copy of a local book on the MacDonald Family.

Secretary-Treasurer Hall

- Completed Bullying and Harassment Training with Administrative Assistant T. Barnes.
- Was able to get 5 draft calendars out for the Calendar Survey. Will have it inserted in the newspaper, and also would like to include Grade 10 students in the survey. Would like to have a Calendar meeting on February 17<sup>th</sup> and review the feedback received, at which time we will be hoping to proceed onto the next step.

FNDTA Liaison

- Attended the Harassment Training that was offered

FNDTA President

- Nothing to report.

Adjournment

Chair L. Dolen declared the meeting adjourned at 7:20 pm



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Linda Dolen  
Chair



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Margaret-Anne Hall  
Secretary-Treasurer