

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

Open Meeting
6:00 pm

Tuesday
February 20, 2018

In Attendance:

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

Absent: D. Samchuck, Superintendent

Guests: G. Gerwing, FNDA President

Call to Order

Chair, L. Dolen call the meeting to order at 6:01 pm.

Acceptance of the Agenda

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

Acceptance of Minutes

Chair, L. Dolen called for any additions or changes to the Open Minutes of January 23, 2018. As no errors or omissions were identified, Chair, L. Dolen declared the minutes of January 23, 2018 accepted as presented.

Report on Closed items of February 20th and 22nd:

- Board Self Evaluation

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| R18-010 | 2017 – 2018 Amended Annual Budget Bylaw
That the Board of Education unanimously approve all three readings of the 2017 – 2018 Amended Annual Budget Bylaw in the amount of \$11,926,813.
Read a first time the 20 th day of February, 2018
Read a second time the 20 th day of February, 2018
Read a third time the 20 th day of February, 2018
CARRIED | D. Tofte/B. Dolan |
| R18-011 | That the Board of Education adopt the 2017 – 2018 Amended Annual Budget Bylaw in the amount of \$11,926, 813.
CARRIED | F. Dolan/D. Tofte |

Secretary – Treasurer, M. Hall reported that \$57,246. of restricted surplus and \$101,313. of non-restricted surplus was used to balance the budget. Estimated surplus is \$314,528. To date we have not been advised of the cost of the Special Ed. audit.

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| R-18-012 | Scotiabank Borrowing Resolution
That the Board of Education approve the Scotiabank Borrowing Resolution.
CARRIED | M. Gilbert/D. Tofte |
| R18-013 | Education – Information
That the Board of Education file the Principal reports as presented.
CARRIED | D. Tofte/B. Dolan |
| R18-014 | January Monthly Financials – Trustee Reports
That the Board of Education review and file the Trustee Reports as received.
CARRIED | M. Gilbert/E. Ashdown |

Trustee Reports/Inquiries/Celebrations

Trustee, B. Dolan

- Everything is on track for Professional Development and he is impressed at how well the committee works together. They seem to be a well functioning and well organized team.
- Pleased to have been invited to the meeting with the architect and to participate in discussions surrounding the gender neutral changerooms/bathrooms at FNSS.

Trustee D. Tofte

- Attended FNFN Community Education Authority.
- LEA, inquired if we provided them with a copy of the Enhancing Student Learning Project.
- Attended the JSC PAC meeting on February 6th. Meeting went well, PAC seems happy and well trained.
- RLA proceeded with furnishings for the Library.
- Appreciated the architect's presentation. Happy to see teachers present and providing input.

Trustee, E. Ashdown

- Apologized for missing the last couple Board meetings. Due to uncontrollable circumstances it couldn't be helped.

Trustee, M. Gilbert

- Attended the GWC PAC meeting and extends an invitation to attend the PAC meeting on March 14th at 6:30 pm. Nice to have Shirley back.

- Discussions surrounding Tournament of Books, was a success
- Attended identity Day at GWC. Was a very positive and happy atmosphere. Parents were excited to see what the kids were presenting.
- Attended the LEA with FNFN Education Board.
- Just returned from the BCSTA Provincial Council Meeting. Much discussion on the funding formula, distribution of funds for schools. Difficulty of recruiting and retaining teachers in several different areas, not just in Fort Nelson.

Chair, L. Dolen

- Attended the PAC meeting at JSC. They were interested in hearing what a trustee was.
- Attended the LEA with FNFN Education Board.
- Attended the meeting with the Architect regarding the reconfiguration of the changerooms/bathrooms at FNSS.

Secretary – Treasurer, M. Hall

- Read at the school, had a fun time reading to the students.
- Participated in Emergency Preparedness training.
- Met with Architect February 19th and 20th. We came up with a plan that staff are comfortable with. Will wait to receive drawings from the architect then proceed from there.
- Indicated that discussion will take place with parents once the formal drawings become available. Trustees suggested that these discussions should take place soon.

G. Gerwing, FNDDA President

- Nothing to report.

Adjournment

Chair, L. Dolen declared the open meeting adjourned at 6:31 pm.

Linda Dolen
Chair

Margaret-Anne Hall
Secretary-Treasurer