

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

Open Meeting
6:00 pm

Tuesday
May 7, 2019

In Attendance:

M. Gilbert, Vice-Chair
R. Irwin, Trustee
Y. Taylor, Trustee
B. Dolan, Trustee
D. Samchuck, Superintendent
P. Anderson, Recording Secretary

Absent:

L. Dolen, Chair
M. Hall, Secretary-Treasurer

Guests:

S. Smith, FNDTA President
E. Dorosz-Gagne, FNDTA Liaison

Call to order,

Vice-Chair Gilbert called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm.

R19-021 Appointment of Secretary Treasurer R. Irwin/Y. Taylor

That the Board of Education appoint Diana Samchuck as Secretary-Treasurer for the board meeting.

CARRIED

Acceptance of Agenda

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

Acceptance of Minutes

Vice-Chair Gilbert called for any errors or omissions to the Open Minutes of May 7. As no errors or omissions were identified, Vice-Chair Gilbert accepted the minutes as presented.

Report on Closed:

- Administrator Contract
- Exempt Staff Salary Increases
- 2019/20 Budget Update

Foundation Skills Assessment

Superintendent Samchuck went through the presentation on Foundation Skills Assessment 2018/19 Discussion ensued.

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Education – Information

B. Dolan/R. Irwin

That the Board of Education file the education items listed:

- Teacher Guide – SNAP
- Principal Reports

Superintendent Samchuck spoke about the Teacher Guide – SNAP. Schools are enthusiastic about it and feel it will be a very useful tool. Discussion ensued.

Trustee Reports/Inquiries/Celebrations

Trustee Taylor

- Attended the PAC meeting. The PAC is busy planning for next year's events. Trying to get more parental involvement and forming individual event committees. Attended the Administrative Assistant's day lunch here at the Board Office, the Symposium of Learning, My Blueprint and the Building of Bridges competition.

Trustee Dolan

- Attended the JSC visit, the idea of hockey playoffs with the kids was a great idea. It was cute to see all the kids choose their team then look around to see which team their friends chose. Also attended the Building of Bridges competition, noting that the machine used was custom made for this event. Chair Dolan covered the FNSS PAC meeting. Pro-D committee is gathering some great ideas for next year. They continue to face travel challenges for guests. It's a great Pro-D committee, they have a very healthy perspective of professional development.

Trustee Irwin

- The Pro-D committee has done consistently good work over the years, the sessions are always interesting and never disappoint. Attended the JSC Visit, Bridge Building competition, it was enjoyed by all. Participated in Symposium of Learning so didn't get to see much but it was a fund day, great idea.

Superintendent Samchuck

- Also attended the events previously mentioned. Kudos to B. Froese and staff for the Bridge Building competition, leading up to the actual competition, have the students build in class ensuring that they actually did all the work themselves. They used the opportunity to bring in resources from the community, Chief Dickie came, Earl Brown came in to discuss bridges. The staff and students worked very hard and they took the community opportunity and extended it.
- Was invited to RLA to ok a proposal for Set BC. They were successful at receiving the Grant last time. They received a call stating that they enjoyed working with them and encouraged them to apply again. They presented a 50 slide presentation for this grant. They should come and show the Board this presentation. We will hear more on this in the future. Hopefully they get it. Trustee Dolan asked that she pass on commendations for their hard work and a job well done.

Vice-Chair Gilbert

- Attended the GWC PAC meeting. The group is engaged and productive. They're a great group of moms who could take over the planet. Was happy to be present when the group of students from Toad River walked through the Municipality office. They grilled the mayor which was nice to watch. They asked questions and were engaged. It was nice to the kids there and involved.

FNDTA President, S. Smith

- Congratulations to senior band members from FNSS and RLA. They did very well in their competition. Was happy to see the Bridge Building competition come back. It's great to see that they are gearing it more towards education.

FNDTA Liaison, E. Dorosz-Gagne

- Teamed up with B. Blaschuk for mental training with staff. Worked out really well, ended with a video that provided good closure. Received a lot of great feedback from staff. Feared it would be a waste of time but felt great once done. This is the first of five sessions to be done prior to the end of June.

Adjournment

Vice-Chair Gilbert declared the meeting adjourned at 6:57 pm

Mike Gilbert
Vice-Chair

Diana Samchuck
Superintendent/Acting Secretary-Treasurer