

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT 68
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING

March 12, 2025

Trustees	N. Bailey, Chair G. Keller, Vice Chair T. Brzovic T. Harris	C. Morvay L. Pellegrin T. Rokeby M. Robinson
Absent	L. Lee	
Staff	R. Gray, Superintendent/CEO M. Walsh, Secretary-Treasurer	K. Matthews, Manager Admin. Services G. Robinson, Ex. Dir. Communications

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm.

2. TRANSFER OF ITEMS TO OPEN MEETING AGENDA

There were none.

3. ADDITIONS

There were no additions.

4. DELETIONS

There were no deletions.

5. CHANGE IN ORDER

There was no change in order.

6. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

R25/03/12-01

IT WAS MOVED BY Trustee Harris

IT WAS SECONDED BY Trustee Robinson

That the Agenda be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

R25/03/12-02

IT WAS MOVED BY Trustee Rokeby

IT WAS SECONDED BY Trustee Brzovic

That the minutes from the Regular Board of Education meeting held on February 26, 2025, be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8. SECTION 72(3) REPORT

8.1 Section 72(3) Report

R25/03/12-03

IT WAS MOVED BY Trustee Brzovic

IT WAS SECONDED BY Trustee Pellegrin

That the Section 72(3) Report from the Closed Board of Education meeting on February 26, 2025, be received.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REMINDERS

Schools Closed for Spring Break: March 17-28, 2025

Strategic Directions Committee Meeting: April 9, 2025

Board of Education Meeting: April 23, 2025

10. PRESENTATIONS

10.1 Laura Cranmer, Amanda Wagner, Ann Woodward and Daisy Elliott

Re: Applied Theatre Research Project "Scenes from the Nanaimo Indian Hospital: Reawakening Hul'q'umin'um', Nuuchahnulth, and Kwakwaka'wakw languages"

Laura Cranmer, Amanda Wagner, Ann Woodward and Daisy Elliott presented on their production "Scenes from the Nanaimo Indian Hospital" and requested a letter of support from the Board.

Trustee Keller added a Notice of Motion re: Letter of Support under New Business. (*Unanimous consent, no vote*)

11. CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence.

12. STRATEGIC DIRECTIONS COMMITTEE REPORTS

12.1 Calendar

R25/03/12-04

IT WAS MOVED BY Trustee Rokeby

IT WAS SECONDED BY Trustee Robinson

That the Board of Education of School District No. 68 (Nanaimo-Ladysmith) approve the attached revised 2025/2026 Local School Calendar.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

R25/03/12-05

IT WAS MOVED BY Trustee Rokeby

IT WAS SECONDED BY Trustee Brzovic

That the Board of Education of School District No. 68 (Nanaimo-Ladysmith) make the attached three-year draft Local School Calendars for 2026/27, 2027/28 and 2028/29 available to the public for 30 days utilizing the consultation process as per Board Governance, Section 1, 2.17 and to report back at the May Strategic Directions Committee meeting with recommendations.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12.2 Policies

R25/03/12-06

IT WAS MOVED BY Trustee Rokeby

IT WAS SECONDED BY Trustee Keller

That the Board of Education of School District No. 68 (Nanaimo-Ladysmith) adopt Revised Policy 205 – Trustee Code of Conduct and Conflict Resolution.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

R25/03/12-07

IT WAS MOVED BY Trustee Rokeby

IT WAS SECONDED BY Trustee Harris

That the Board of Education of School District No. 68 (Nanaimo-Ladysmith) receive the Draft Policy 403 – Board Recognition and circulate as a notice of motion for 30 days, utilizing the consultation process as per Board Governance, Section 1, 2.7 – Policy Development.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

R25/03/12-08

IT WAS MOVED BY Trustee Rokeby

IT WAS SECONDED BY Trustee Robinson

That the Board of Education of School District No. 68 (Nanaimo-Ladysmith) receive the Draft Policy 505 - School Catchment and Student Enrolment and circulate as a notice of motion for 30 days, utilizing the consultation process as per Board Governance, Section 1, 2.7 – Policy Development.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

R25/03/12-09

IT WAS MOVED BY Trustee Rokeby

IT WAS SECONDED BY Trustee Harris

First Reading:

That the Board of Education of School District No. 68 (Nanaimo-Ladysmith) adopt amended Bylaw 502 Parent-Student Appeals.

Read for a first time this 12th day of March, 2025.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

R25/03/12-10

IT WAS MOVED BY Trustee Rokeby

IT WAS SECONDED BY Trustee Brzovic

Second Reading:

That the Board of Education of School District No. 68 (Nanaimo-Ladysmith) adopt amended Bylaw 502 Parent-Student Appeals.

Read for a second time this 12th day of March, 2025.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

R25/03/12-11

IT WAS MOVED BY Trustee Rokeby

IT WAS SECONDED BY Trustee Robinson

That the Board of Education of School District No. 68 (Nanaimo-Ladysmith) circulate a 30 day notice of third reading for the Draft Bylaw 502 Parent-Student Appeals, utilizing the consultation process as per Board Governance, Section 1, 2.7 – Policy Development.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

R25/03/12-12

IT WAS MOVED BY Trustee Rokeby

IT WAS SECONDED BY Trustee Harris

That the Board of Education of School District No. 68 (Nanaimo-Ladysmith) receive the Draft Policy 218 Role of Chair and Vice Chair and circulate as a notice of motion for 30 days, utilizing the consultation process as per Board Governance, Section 1, 2.7 – Policy Development.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

13. SENIOR STAFF REPORTS

13.1 Robyn Gray

Re: Superintendent's Reel

Robyn Gray presented the "Superintendent's Reel" which highlights the voices of our educators, achievements of our students and the unwavering support of our families and community partners.

14. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no Unfinished Business.

15. NEW BUSINESS

15.1 Naomi Bailey, Board Chair

Policy Committee Work Plan

Chair Bailey passed the Chair to Vice Chair Keller for this item.

Chair Bailey proposed that the Policy Committee Workplan be updated to include Policy 2.6 - Board Meeting Procedures so that it be reviewed to ensure that the Policy appropriately balances the safety of trustees, staff and partners while ensuring continued avenues for the public to participate at the Board. An action sheet is attached to the agenda.

R25/03/12-13

IT WAS MOVED BY Trustee Bailey

IT WAS SECONDED BY Trustee Brzovic

That the Board of Education of School District No. 68 (Nanaimo-Ladysmith) add Policy 2.6 – Board Meeting Procedures to the Policy Committee workplan for 2024-25 and direct that Policy 2.6 is reviewed to ensure that the Policy appropriately balances the safety of trustees, staff and partners while ensuring continued avenues for the public to participate at the Board.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

15.2 Greg Keller, Vice Chair

Re: Notice of Motion - Request for Letter of Support

R25/03/12-14

IT WAS MOVED BY Trustee Keller

IT WAS SECONDED BY Trustee Robinson

That the Board of Education of School District No. 68 (Nanaimo-Ladysmith) write a letter in support of the "Applied Theatre Research Project " Scenes from the Nanaimo Indian Hospital: Reawakening Hul'q'umin'um, Nuu-Chah-nulth, and Kwakwaka'wakw language".

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

16. FOR INFORMATION

16.1 Board Motions Report

The Board Motions Report was received as information.

16.2 Trustee Committee Reports

There were no Trustee Committee Reports.

17. QUESTION PERIOD

There were no questions.

18. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:03 pm.

R25/03/12-15

IT WAS MOVED BY Trustee Robinson

IT WAS SECONDED BY Trustee Harris

That the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Mark Walsh, Secretary-Treasurer

Naomi Bailey, Chair