



THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT 68

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING

January 29, 2020

Trustees	C. McKay, Chair L.M. Barron, Vice Chair T. Brzovic S. Higginson	G. Keller B. Robinson J. Stanley E. Wilkinson
Absent	C. O'Neill	
Staff	S. Saywell, Superintendent/CEO T. Davie, Deputy Superintendent	D. Burgos, Executive Director of Communications K. Matthews, Manager, Administrative Services

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm and recognized that tonight's meeting is being held on the traditional territory of the Snuneymuxw people.

2. TRANSFER OF ITEMS TO OPEN MEETING AGENDA

There was none.

3. ADDITIONS

There were no additions.

4. DELETIONS

There were no deletions.

5. CHANGE IN ORDER

There was no change.

6. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

R20/01/29-01
IT WAS MOVED BY Trustee Barron
IT WAS SECONDED BY Trustee Brzovic

That the Agenda be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

7.1 Minutes - December 18, 2019

R20/01/29-02

IT WAS MOVED BY Trustee Barron

IT WAS SECONDED BY Trustee Robinson

That the Board of Education of School District No. 68 (Nanaimo-Ladysmith) adopt the minutes from the Regular Board of Education meeting held December 18, 2019.

ABSTAINED: Trustee Higginson

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.2 Minutes - December 4, 2019

R20/01/29-03

IT WAS MOVED BY Trustee Brzovic

IT WAS SECONDED BY Trustee Wilkinson

That the Board of Education of School District No. 68 (Nanaimo-Ladysmith) adopt the minutes from the Annual General meeting held December 4, 2019.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8. SECTION 72(3) REPORT

8.1 Section 72(3) Report - Closed Board Meeting - December 18, 2019

R20/01/29-04

IT WAS MOVED BY Trustee Brzovic

IT WAS SECONDED BY Trustee Higginson

That the Section 72(3) Report from the Closed Board Meeting on December 18, 2019, be received.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.2 Section 72(3) Report - Special Closed Board Meeting - December 20, 2019

R20/01/29-05

IT WAS MOVED BY Trustee Stanley

IT WAS SECONDED BY Trustee Barron

That the Section 72(3) Report from the Special Closed Board Meeting on December 20, 2019, be received.

ABSTAINED: Trustee Keller

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.3 Section 72(3) Report - Special Closed Board Meeting - January 9, 2020

R20/01/29-06

IT WAS MOVED BY Trustee Higginson

IT WAS SECONDED BY Trustee Wilkinson

That the Section 72(3) Report from the Special Closed Board Meeting on January 9, 2020, be received.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9. **ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REMINDERS**

9.2 Chair McKay

The Board congratulated Diane McGonigle and Jacquie Poulin, principals at Pleasant Valley and Frank J. Ney elementary schools, respectively, as they were honoured at the recent WE Day event in Vancouver. Five B.C. educators received the I Teach WE Award at the educational partner's breakfast the morning of the WE Day event. Last school year, McGonigle and Poulin organized the WE Walk for Water initiative in which students carried milk jugs filled with water to represent the pails of water that global citizens and our Indigenous people carry from clean water sources into their homes.

10. **PRESENTATIONS**

There were no presentations.

11. **CORRESPONDENCE**

11.1 NDTA

R20/01/29-07

IT WAS MOVED BY Trustee Barron

IT WAS SECONDED BY Trustee Higginson

That the Board of Education of School District No. 68 (Nanaimo-Ladysmith) refer the above correspondence re: NLPS Strategic Plan be received and filed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.2 Minister Rob Fleming

R20/01/29-08

IT WAS MOVED BY Trustee Brzovic

IT WAS SECONDED BY Trustee Wilkinson

That the Board of Education of School District No. 68 (Nanaimo-Ladysmith) refer the above correspondence re: Premier's Awards to be received and filed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12. COMMITTEE REPORTS

12.1 Business Committee

There were none.

12.2 Education Committee

There were none.

13. SENIOR STAFF REPORTS

13.1 Acting Secretary-Treasurer Scott Saywell

Director of Finance, Taunia Sutton, provided an update on the accumulated surplus.

13.2 Superintendent Scott Saywell

Superintendent Scott Saywell provided a high-level overview of the district's new Operational Plan. The Learning Services, Human Resources, and Facilities departments also provided a more in-depth operational plan update. The presentations are attached to the Agenda.

13.3 Department of Learning Services - School Plans

The Board was presented with two school plans:

- Uplands Park Elementary Principal Tonia Collins and Vice-Principal Trisha Armour shared their school's plan.
- NDSS former Principal Geoff Steel shared NDSS's school plan.

14. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was none.

15. NEW BUSINESS

15.1 Vice Chair Barron

R20/01/29-09

IT WAS MOVED BY Trustee Barron

IT WAS SECONDED BY Trustee Brzovic

That the Board of Education of School District No. 68 (Nanaimo-Ladysmith) request that the Board Chair write a letter of support for the Restorative Justice Youth Mentoring Program's grant application.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

16. FOR INFORMATION

16.1 Vandalism Report

The Vandalism Report was received as information.

16.2 Board Motions Report

The Board Motions Report was received as information.

17. QUESTION PERIOD

There was one question this evening from Jeremy Inscho:

Does the scope of the calendar committee referenced in Board Motion R19/12/18-09 include financial considerations and impacts in any way similar to the 2009 management committee that recommended a 5 day school closure to be attached to Spring Break as to save over \$500,000?

It was answered by Board Chair McKay: No, the calendar committee is an ad hoc committee that has been struck that is similar to one previous that did not discuss in-depth the financial considerations in setting a three-year calendar. They are two separate committees.

18. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:58 pm.

R20/01/29-10

IT WAS MOVED BY Trustee Brzovic

IT WAS SECONDED BY Trustee Stanley

That the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Scott Saywell, Acting Secretary-Treasurer

Charlene McKay, Chair