

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 6 (ROCKY MOUNTAIN)

MINUTES of the **REGULAR MEETING** of the Board of Education of School District No. 6 (Rocky Mountain) held at Martin Morigeau Elementary School, Canal Flats, B.C., - **NOVEMBER 14, 2017.**

Present:	Amber Byklum	Chairperson
	Jane Fearing	Vice-Chairperson
	Sandra Smaill	Vice-Chairperson
	Denny Neider	Trustee
	Shannon Hood	Trustee
	Mac Campbell	Trustee
	Betty-Lou Barrett	Trustee
	Rhonda Smith	Trustee
	Rosemary Oaks	Trustee
	Paul Carriere	Superintendent of Schools
	Dale Culler	Secretary Treasurer

Members of Senior Management

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chairperson called the meeting to order at 19:04 hours.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

M/S SMAILL / FEARING

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 6 (Rocky Mountain) approve the agenda as circulated.

CARRIED

3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PRIOR MEETINGS

3.1 Regular Meeting: 2017.10.10

M/S SMAILL / CAMPBELL

THAT the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of School District No. 6 (Rocky Mountain) held on October 10, 2017 be approved as amended.

CARRIED

3.2 Synopsis of In-Camera Meeting: 2017.10.10

3.2.1 Property Matters Nil

3.2.2 Legal Matters Nil

3.2.3 Personnel Matters:

The Personnel Report – Pending Board Approval was approved as presented. The Personnel Information Report was received and filed as circulated. The Labour Relations Information Report was received and filed as circulated.

4. PRESENTATIONS

4.1 Martin Morigeau Elementary School Presentation – Student Voices Alyssan Gauthier

Ms. Gauthier, Vice-Principal of Martin Morigeau Elementary School (MMES) introduced the teachers and several students who presented the Board with an overview of what they are excited about at MMES. The students led the Board through various examples of learning including:

- Wildsight pilot project titled “Nature Through the Seasons”.
- School Visioning – MMES Leadership Club.
- Math Teams Multiplication Strategies – 9’s finger trick; break it up strategy.
- Science – boat building STEM challenge.
- Blogging – the class created their own blog and explained how it ties to story writing and proper paragraph structures.
- Wood Rippers Wood Shop – the Board was invited to see the wood shop that has been created in one of the classrooms and how the community contributed by donating tools.

5. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES Nil

6. STRATEGIC AND POLICY ISSUES

6.1 Policy Development:

6.1.1 Third Reading: Nil

6.1.2 Second Reading:

6.1.2.1 Policy 6900, Extra-Curricular and Curricular Field Trips

Mr. Carriere explained that there has been no feedback received regarding the proposed amendments to the policy. The policy currently states that field trips involving “water” require Trustee approval as it is a special safety consideration; the amendment clarifies that this is in reference to “open water” and not in a typical situation such as a swimming pool with a lifeguard. Amendments also would revise the permission forms (after consultation with Schools Protection Program) requiring parents to rate the swimming competency of the student, to assist schools with planning. The Policy Committee is recommending the Board consider second reading of the policy amendments at this meeting.

M/S SMAILL / CAMPBELL

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 6 (Rocky Mountain) approve second reading of Policy 6900, Extra–Curricular and Curricular Field Trips at this meeting.

CARRIED

6.1.2.2 Policy 3600, Transportation of Students on Regular School Bus Routes

Mr. Carriere explained that there is one change being recommended to the policy since first reading. The proposed change is to explicitly state that transportation assistance is paid on a per-family basis; which has always been District practice. The Policy Committee is recommending the Board consider second reading of the policy at this meeting.

M/S SMITH / FEARING

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 6 (Rocky Mountain) consider both second and third readings of Policy 3600, Transportation of Students on Regular School Bus Routes at this meeting.

CARRIED

M/S SMITH / FEARING

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 6 (Rocky Mountain) approve second reading of Policy 3600, Transportation of Students on Regular School Bus Routes to be effective January 2, 2018.

CARRIED

M/S SMAILL / OAKS

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 6 (Rocky Mountain) approve third and final reading of Policy 3600, Transportation of Students on Regular School Bus Routes to be effective January 2, 2018.

CARRIED

6.1.3 First Reading:

6.1.3.1 Policy 4310, Personal Property

Mr. Carriere explained that Policy 4310 has not been discussed since 2001 and the Policy Committee discussed an increase to the limit of liability the District would compensate employees for the loss or damage to personal property while engaged in carrying out their duties. Mr. Carriere indicated that the Policy Committee felt that \$100 was too low and is recommending an increase to \$300. The Policy Committee is recommending the Board consider first reading of the policy amendments at this meeting.

M/S SMAILL / OAKS

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 6 (Rocky Mountain) approve first reading of Policy 4310, Personal Property at this meeting.

CARRIED

6.1.3.2 Policy 3100, Tendering of Audit Services

Mr. Carriere explained that Policy 3100 has not been discussed since 2000 and the Policy Committee discussed amending the policy to indicate that auditing services may be placed on tender, subject to the recommendation of the Finance and Audit Committee. Mr. Carriere explained that there may be situations where tendering audit services every three years may not be in the District's best interest and that it makes sense for the Finance and Audit Committee to present their recommendation to the Board. The Policy Committee is recommending the Board consider first reading of the policy at this meeting.

M/S OAKS / HOOD

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 6 (Rocky Mountain) approve first reading of Policy 3100, Tendering of Audit Services at this meeting.

CARRIED

7. OPERATIONAL ISSUES

7.1 October 2017 Budget Utilization Summary

Dale Culler

Mr. Culler reported on the October budget utilization summary indicating that the results of operations are as expected for this time of the year. Mr. Culler responded to questions and the Chairperson thanked him for his report.

7.2 District Plan for Student Success

Cheryl Lenardon

Ms. Lenardon presented the District Plan for Student Success to the Board. Ms. Lenardon went through the plan in detail and explained that the plan is a living document and is available on the District's website. Ms. Lenardon further explained the strategy map and the key indicators of student success. Ms. Lenardon responded to questions and the Chairperson thanked her for the report. Mr. Carriere encouraged the Board to spend time reviewing the document online and becoming familiar with the web links built into the document which take you to both internal and external sources to provide additional information.

8. REPORTS

8.1 Learning Leadership Report:

Cheryl Lenardon

Ms. Lenardon indicated that she continues to receive many examples of applied learning from across the district and can see the new curriculum coming to light. Ms. Lenardon responded to questions and the Chairperson thanked her for the report.

8.2 BC School Trustees Association

Jane Fearing

Trustee Fearing reported on the Provincial Council meeting that she attended in October which was held in Vancouver. Trustee Fearing presented the Board with several topics that were discussed at the meeting.

8.3 BC School Trustees Association, Kootenay-Boundary Branch

Amber Byklum

Chairperson Byklum indicated that she had nothing to report.

8.4 Public School Employers Association

Mac Campbell

Trustee Campbell reported on the various meetings and conference calls that he has attended in the past month. He reported that he attended the BCPSEA Fall Symposium in Vancouver and participated in calls regarding the governance model of BCPSEA. The Board discussed that BCPSEA has been governed by both elected Trustees from across the province and an appointed administrator.

9. INFORMATION ITEMS

9.1 Correspondence

Nil

9.2 November and December 2017 Calendar

Circulated

10. FORTHCOMING EVENTS

- 2017.11.23-25 BCSTA Trustee Academy, Richmond
- 2017.11.28 Policy Committee Teleconference, 4:00 pm
- 2017.11.28 Windermere Zone Trustee Meeting, Board Room, 5:00 pm
- 2017.12.05 Golden Zone Trustee meeting, 12:15 pm
- 2017.12.05 Labour Relations Committee Teleconference, 8:30 am
- 2017.12.12 Board Meeting, Video Conference from Zone Offices, In-Camera, 6:00 pm
- 2017.12.12 Board Meeting, Video Conference from Zone Offices, Information Exchange, 6:30 pm
- 2017.12.12 Board Meeting, Video Conference from Zone Offices, Regular Meeting, 7:00 pm

11. **QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC** Nil

12. **ADJOURNMENT**

M/S SMAILL / FEARING
THAT the meeting be adjourned at 20:21 hours

CARRIED

Chairperson

Secretary Treasurer