

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 6 (ROCKY MOUNTAIN)

MINUTES of the **REGULAR MEETING** of the Board of Education of School District No. 6 (Rocky Mountain) held via videoconference from various locations. - **JUNE 9, 2020.**

Present:	Amber Byklum	Chairperson
	Jane Fearing	Vice-Chairperson
	Sandra Smaill	Vice-Chairperson
	Ronald McRae	Trustee
	Scott King	Trustee
	Ryan Stimming	Trustee
	Rhonda Smith	Trustee
	Jane Thurgood Sagal	Trustee
	Betty-Lou Barrett	Trustee
	Paul Carriere	Superintendent of Schools
	Dale Culler	Secretary Treasurer

Members of Senior Management
Incoming Superintendent Karen Shipka
Incoming Assistant Superintendent Steve Wyer
General Public

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Byklum called the meeting to order at 19:01 hours.

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TERRITORY

Chairperson Byklum acknowledged that this meeting is being held on the shared traditional territory of the Ktunaxa and Secwepemc people.

3. 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

4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PRIOR MEETINGS

4.1 Regular Meeting: 2020.5.12

M/S SMAILL / STIMMING

THAT the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of School District No. 6 (Rocky Mountain) held on May 12, 2020 be approved as presented.

CARRIED

4.2 Synopsis of In-Camera Meeting: 2020.5.12

4.2.1 Property Matters Nil

4.2.2 Legal Matters Nil

4.2.3 Personnel Matters:

4.2.3.1 The Personnel Report – Pending Board Approval; the Board denied one (1) personal leave of absence request as presented.

4.2.3.2 The Personnel Information Report was received and filed as circulated.

4.2.3.3 The Labour Relations Information Report was received and filed as circulated.

4.2.3.4 The Board agreed to ratify the Local Matters Agreement between the Board of Education of School District No.6 (Rocky Mountain) and the Rocky Mountain Teachers Association.

4.2.4 Student Matters: Nil

5. PRESENTATIONS

5.1 Edgewater Elementary School – Teaching During COVID-19 Darryl Turner

Darryl Turner, Principal of Edgewater Elementary School (EES) introduced Ms. Tegart and two of her grade 5/6 students. Ms. Tegart provided the Board with examples of how the students log into the school portal to check their assignments and receive feedback on their work. The students shared with the Board all the fun things that have happened at EES this year. They talked about leadership initiatives, candy canes for random acts of kindness, movie days, skiing and other activities. They told the Board how they use Microsoft Teams to connect with teachers and classmates. The Board thanked Mr. Turner, Ms. Tegart and the students for their presentations.

6. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES** Nil

7. STRATEGIC AND POLICY ISSUES

7.1 Policy Development:

7.1.1 Third Reading: Paul Carriere

Mr. Carriere presented the Board with proposed amendments for the following nine (9) policies for third and final reading. Mr. Carriere indicated that all the proposed amendments are housekeeping with the exception of Policy 5000, which has been reorganized to improve clarity. Mr. Carriere also reviewed Policy 3800, Expenses on Board of Education Business, which is proposing to increase the mileage reimbursement rate from \$0.55 per km to \$0.57 per km effective July 1, 2020 to be consistent with the allowance approved in the Teachers' Collective Agreement that was ratified on May 1, 2020. The Policy Committee is recommending that the Board consider third and final reading of all nine (9) policies at this meeting.

7.1.1.1 Policy 5000, School Catchment Areas

7.1.1.2 Policy 5120, Healthy Schools

7.1.1.3 Policy 5140, Medical Alert and Administering Medication to Students

7.1.1.4 Policy 5150, Allergic Reaction / Anaphylaxis

- 7.1.1.5 Policy 5500, Students Records
- 7.1.1.6 Policy 5510, Custody of Children and Educational Information
- 7.1.1.7 Policy 5800, District Code of Conduct for Students
- 7.1.1.8 Policy 5850, Interrogation of Students
- 7.1.1.9 Policy 3800, Expenses on Board of Education Business

M/S FEARING / SMITH

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 6 (Rocky Mountain) approve third and final reading of the following policies at this meeting:

- Policy 5000, School Catchment Areas;
- Policy 5120, Healthy Schools;
- Policy 5140, Medical Alert and Administering Medication to Students;
- Policy 5150, Allergic Reaction / Anaphylaxis;
- Policy 5500, Students Records;
- Policy 5510, Custody of Children and Educational Information;
- Policy 5800, District Code of Conduct for Students;
- Policy 5850, Interrogation of Students; and
- Policy 3800, Expenses on Board of Education Business.

CARRIED

7.1.2 Second Reading: Nil

7.1.3 First Reading: Nil

8. OPERATIONAL ISSUES

8.1 May 2020 Budget Utilization Summary Dale Culler

Mr. Culler presented to the Board the May 2020 Budget Utilization Summary. Mr. Culler indicated that May’s financial results includes the two months of operations under COVID-19. Mr. Culler reviewed expense categories that resulted in cost savings and categories that have resulted in increased expenditures. Mr. Culler responded to questions and the Chairperson thanked him for his presentation.

8.2 2020-21 Annual Budget Dale Culler

Mr. Culler presented the 2020 – 2021 Annual Budget Bylaw for the Board’s approval. Mr. Culler reviewed the District’s revenue sources and proposed expenditures in detail. Mr. Culler explained that the Finance and Audit Committee is recommending that the Board consider third and final reading of the 2020 – 2021 Annual Budget Bylaw at this meeting for submission to the Ministry by June 30, 2020. Mr. Culler responded to questions and the Chairperson thanked him for his presentation.

M/S KING / SMAILL

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 6 (Rocky Mountain) approve third and final reading of the 2020 – 2021 Annual Budget Bylaw at this meeting:

CARRIED

8.3 2021-22 Five Year Capital Plan Steve Jackson

Mr. Jackson presented the Board with the 2021 – 2022 Capital Plan for their consideration. Mr. Jackson reviewed the proposed projects in detail and highlighted a proposed expansion and renovation at Eileen Madson Primary School. The Capital Committee reviewed and provided input to the plan, and is

recommending that the Board consider approval of the 2021 – 2022 Capital Plan at this meeting for submission to the Ministry by July, 31, 2020. Mr. Jackson informed the Board that the Ministry extended the deadline from June 30, 2020 to July 31, 2020 due to COVID 19. Mr. Jackson responded to questions and the Chairperson thanked him for his presentation.

M/S SMITH / FEARING

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 6 (Rocky Mountain) approve the 2021– 2022 Capital Plan at this meeting:

CARRIED

8.4 COVID-19 Response Update

Paul Carriere

Mr. Carriere reported that the district is moving forward to have our students back at school for June. He reported that the district has taken a phased approach over a two-week period and that things are going well. Senior staff provided an update on the district response to the COVID 19 pandemic, covering four main areas.

1. Safety of students and workers. Mr. Jackson reviewed the training, signage and staff participation that has been done indicating that things have gone really well.
2. Services for essential service workers. Ms. Lenardon reported that they are now supporting teachers' children.
3. Services for those who are vulnerable or have unique circumstances. Ms. Lenardon reported that supports for vulnerable are continuing and the schools have really stepped up.
4. Providing continuity of educational opportunities for all students. Ms. Lenardon reported that the focus has been on literacy, numeracy and core competencies.

Mr. Carriere closed by saying that it has been a pleasure to see kids back in the class. The Public Health Officer's hope is for a full restart in September and it is a great opportunity in June to prepare us. Based on what he has seen we are well positioned for a positive outcome in the fall.

9. REPORTS

9.1 BC School Trustees Association

Jane Fearing

Trustee Fearing indicated that there has not been a provincial council however she reported on happenings from the Indigenous Committee. Mr. Carriere responded to a question about Local Education Agreements (LEA) and provided some background information on the LEA that is in place with Akisqnuq and the history of why there is no agreement with the Shuswap band.

9.2 BC School Trustees Association, Kootenay-Boundary Branch

Jane Thurgood Sagal

Trustee Thurgood Sagal reported that there has been no meeting of the KBB and she has not heard back yet about the proposed online AGM.

9.3 Public School Employers' Association

Sandra Smail

Vice-Chairperson Smail indicated that she had nothing to report.

10. INFORMATION ITEMS

- 10.1 Correspondence Nil
- 10.2 June and September 2020 Calendar Circulated

11. FORTHCOMING EVENTS

- 2020.09.01 Labour Relations Committee Meeting, via teleconference, 8:30 am
- 2020.09.08 Golden Zone Trustees Meeting, Golden Board Office, 12:15 pm
- 2020.09.08 Board Meeting, via videoconference, In-Camera Meeting, 6:00 pm
- 2020.09.08 Board Meeting, via videoconference, Information Exchange, 6:30 pm
- 2020.09.08 Board Meeting, via videoconference, Regular Meeting, 7:00 pm

12. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC Nil

13. FAIRWELL TO SENIOR STAFF MEMBERS

Each of the Board members in turn expressed their gratitude for the many years of service and expressed well wishes to the retiring Superintendent (Paul Carriere); and Assistant Superintendent (Cheryl Lenardon) and District Principal of Information Technology (Sean Cameron) as they move on to their new positions with School District No. 27 (Cariboo-Chilcotin).

14. ADJOURNMENT

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 20:42 hours

Chairperson

Secretary Treasurer