

# **Comox Valley Schools**

School District No. 71

# REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES Tuesday, December 15, 2020

7:00pm

#### In Attendance via Zoom virtual meeting:

#### **Trustees**

Sheila McDonnell, Board Chair Michelle Waite, Vice Chair Janice Caton, Trustee Tonia Frawley, Trustee Kat Hawksby, Trustee Sarah Jane Howe, Trustee

#### Recording Secretary: Marlene Leach

#### Staff

Tom Demeo, Superintendent of Schools
Brenda Hooker, Secretary-Treasurer
Geoff Manning, Assistant Superintendent
Candice Hilton, Director of Finance
Ian Heselgrave, Director of Operations
Esther Shatz, Director of Instruction (Student Services)
Allan Douglas, Director of Instructional Services K-12
Mary Lee, Communications Manager
Josh Porter, Director, Information Technology

#### 1. Call to Order

Board Chair, Sheila McDonnell called the meeting to order at 7:02pm and acknowledged that the meeting is being held on the traditional territories of the K'ómoks First Nation.

#### 2. Adoption of Agenda

#### **Recommendation:**

THAT the Board of Education adopt the December 15, 2020 Regular Public Board Meeting Agenda as presented.

**CARRIED** 

#### 3. Board Meeting Minutes

#### **Recommendation:**

THAT the Board of Education adopt the November 24, 2020 Regular Public Board Meeting Minutes as presented.

**CARRIED** 

#### 4. Old Business

#### A. Compost Pick-Up Proposal Discussion

#### Motion:

THAT the Board of Education refer the student Compost Pick-Up Proposal to Senior Leadership for review and at a later date, provide information back to the Board as to the feasibility of the student recommendations.

#### **CARRIED**

#### 5. Report on In-Camera Meeting

No Meeting in December

#### 6. Board Chair's Report

#### Highlights:

 The Board Chair thanked everyone such as staff, parents, students, partner groups, municipalities, businesses and more for their work done this year to support students and wished everyone a happy seasonal time and welldeserved break.

# 7. Presentations / Delegations

None

#### 8. Education Committee Meeting – December 08, 2020

#### **Recommendation:**

THAT the Board of Education receive the Education Committee Board Report as presented.

#### **CARRIED**

## **Next Education Committee Meeting:**

TOPIC: Student Services - SOGI and Mental Health

DATE: February 09, 2021

TIME: 6:30 pm LOCATION: TBA

# 9. Strategic Direction

#### A. Superintendent

#### i. District News

**Board Information** 

#### ii. December Monthly Update

**Board Information** 

#### **B.** Assistant Superintendent

None

#### C. Secretary-Treasurer

i. Trustee By-Election Update
Board Information

#### D. Human Resources

i. Retirements and Recognition
Board Information

## 10. Board Standing Committee Reports

A. Finance Committee Board Report - December 08, 2020

#### Recommendation:

THAT the Board of Education receive the Finance Committee Board Report as presented.

**CARRIED** 

**B.** Facilities Committee Board Report

No meeting in December

C. Policy Committee Board Report - December 08, 2020

**Note:** *Draft Policy 24 - Non-Discrimination* and the *Draft Terms of Reference* were provided as handout documents.

#### **Recommendation:**

THAT the Board of Education create an ad hoc committee to review Draft Policy 24 – Non-Discrimination based on the approved Terms of Reference.

**CARRIED** 

#### Recommendation:

THAT the Board of Education accept the updated Policy 12 - Superintendent Evaluation and Policy 12 Appendix A - Monitoring Superintendent Performance to reflect the current context.

**CARRIED** 

Trustee Caton left the meeting at 8:10pm prior to the decision on the above recommendation.

#### **Recommendation:**

THAT the Board of Education receive the Policy Committee Board Report as presented.

**CARRIED** 

#### 11. Board Business

- A. Trustee Report: BC School Trustee Association (BCSTA) Trustee Academy
  Sheila McDonnell, Trustee (Area A Baynes Sound, Hornby & Denman Islands)
  Board Information
- B. Trustee Report: BC School Trustee Association (BCSTA) Trustee Academy
  Sarah Jane Howe, Trustee (Village of Cumberland)
  Board Information

#### 12. Board Correspondence

- A. Correspondence: to Ella Oldaker from Board of Education Compost Pick-Up
  Presentation
  Sheila McDonnell, Trustee
  Board Information
- B. Correspondence: to Nalan Gossen from Board of Education Compost Pick-Up Presentation
  Sheila McDonnell, Trustee
  Board Information
- C. Correspondence: to Rob Fleming, MLA from Board of Education New Position as Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure Sheila McDonnell, Trustee Board Information
- Correspondence: to Jennifer Whiteside, MLA from Board of Education New Position as Minister of Education Sheila McDonnell, Trustee Board Information

#### 13. Public Question Period

#### 14. Meeting Adjourned – 8:29pm

# **Certified Correct:**

Brenda Hooker, CPA, CGA Secretary-Treasurer

Sheila McDonnell Board Chair