

BOARD OF EDUCATION School District No. 91 (Nechako Lakes)

MISSION:

Achieving Educational Excellence through engaging and personalized learning VISION:

Competent and confident learners making positive contributions in an evolving global environment

Excellence | Innovation | Community

MINUTES April 28, 2025 6:00 PM **Regular Board Meeting**

D. Christie Present: Chairperson

N. Hazelton Vice Chair D. Albertson Trustee S. Davis Trustee R. Gratz Trustee R. Pooley Trustee C. Walker Trustee

Superintendent D. Turner Secretary-Treasurer M. Skinner **Assistant Superintendent** K. Black Assistant Secretary-Treasurer Director of Instruction C. McKay

H. Silver **Recording Secretary**

In-House

Dr. S. Campbell **Public Delegate** Guests:

H. Goretzky Public Delegate **Public Delegate** M. Roberge J. Kadonaga **FLESS Principal** S. Schmidt **DPAC** Representative

Austin Student Voice Representative

Present 4 Members of the Public

A. McClinton

Online:

M. Gauthier **Director of Instruction**

S. Lank **FLESS Teacher**

5 Members of the Public

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson D. Christie called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

RECOGNITION OF TRADITIONAL TERRITORY 2.

Chairperson D. Christie ackowledged that we are grateful to live, work, and play on the unceded, ancestral territories of fourteen First Nations represented by the Dakelh, Nedut'en, and Wet'suwet'en Peoples; and, we are working diligently towards creating equity for our learners through conscious Acts of Reconciliation.

3. INTRODUCTIONS AND MOMENT OF SILENCE

The following guests were introduced to the meeting:

- Dr. S. Campbell, H. Goretzky & M. Roberge public delegation presenters
- J. Kadonaga, FLESS Principal
- S. Lank, FLESS Teacher (online)
- Austin, FLESS Student Leadership & Student Voice representative
- S. Schmidt, DPAC Representative

Chairperson D. Christie shared sentiments about the weekend's tragedy at a Lapu Lapu Festival in Vancouver. There was a moment of silence to acknowledge the loss of many victims and as a show of support for families and survivors.

4. **APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA**

The Consent Agenda, including the following items, was approved:

- The Agenda for the Regular Meeting dated April 28, 2025.
- The Minutes of the Regular Meeting dated March 17, 2025.
- The Record of the In-Camera Meeting dated March 17, 2025.

MOVED and **SECONDED**

THAT the Consent Agenda for the Regular Meeting of Monday, April 28, 2025, be approved as presented.

Carried

5. PRESENTATIONS

5.1 <u>NVSS CLINIC PRESENTATION</u>

There was a presentation about the successes of the NVSS Medical Clinic.

** Presenters Dr. S. Campbell, H. Goretzky, and M. Roberge departed the meeting at 6:19 p.m.

6. TRUSTEE REPORTS

There were no Trustee Reports at this meeting.

7. STUDENT VOICE

Student Voice representative Austin shared information about a variety of student-led activities that have been happening around SD91 in April.

8. EDUCATION DIVISION

8.1 EDUCATION UPDATES

A. <u>SCHOOL PLAN UPDATE</u>

Fraser Lake Elementary-Secondary School Principal J. Kadonaga and Teacher S. Lank shared information about the Student Leadership Job Education Fair that involved collaboration between students, staff, and Fraser Lake community members.

B. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT TO THE BOARD

Superintendent A. McClinton provided a monthly report to the Board, including the following highlights:

- Education Week
- Earth Week
- Bus Driver Appreciation Day
- Appreciation for school-based leaders as they maneuver through challenging budget matters while continuing to manage the regular day-to-day business of running our schools

8.2 OUT-OF-COUNTRY FIELD TRIP REQUEST - INITIAL APPROVAL

A. <u>NECHAKO VALLEY SECONDARY SCHOOL</u>

25-23 MOVED and SECONDED

THAT initial approval be given for selected NVSS students to travel to Japan for a sister school exchange experience from February 7-22, 2026.

Carried

8.3 FRAMEWORK FOR ENHANCING STUDENT LEARNING REPORTING AND REVIEW CYCLE

Superintendent A. McClinton informed the Board about changes to the Ministry's Framework for Enhancing Student Learning (FESL) reporting and review cycle.

9. **OPERATIONS DIVISION**

9.1 FINANCE

A. <u>2025-2026 PRELIMINARY ANNUAL BUDGET UPDATE</u>

Secretary-Treasurer D. Turner advised that the 2025-2026 Annual Budget is due to the Ministry on or before June 30, 2025. Information was shared about ongoing efforts to involve stakeholders and members of the public in the budget-building process.

B. 2025-2026 ANNUAL FACILITIES GRANT SUBMISSION

Assistant Secretary-Treasurer K. Black reviewed the 2024-2025 Annual Facilities Grant application that will be submitted to the Ministry.

C. QUARTERLY FINANCIAL UPDATE

Assistant Secretary-Treasurer K. Black provided the Board with the 3rd Quarter Financial Update.

9.2 BYLAW APPROVAL

There was a discussion about 'Capital Plan Bylaw No. 2025/26-CPSD91-01.'

Adopted: May 26, 2025

Section 68.4 of the *School Act* states, "The board may not give a bylaw more than two readings at any one meeting unless the members of the board who are present at the meeting unanimously agree to give the bylaw all three readings at that board meeting."

25-24 MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the following 'Capital Plan Bylaw No. 2025/26-CPSD91-01' be given three readings and adopted at this meeting as per Section 68.4 of the School Act.

Carried

A. <u>CAPITAL PLAN BYLAW</u>

25-25 MOVED and SECONDED

THAT 'Capital Bylaw No. 2025/26-CPSD91-01' as per the Ministry's Capital Plan Response Letter dated March 25, 2025, be given first reading.

Carried

25-26 MOVED and SECONDED

THAT 'Capital Bylaw No. 2025/26-CPSD91-01' as per the Ministry's Capital Plan Response Letter dated March 25, 2025, be given second reading.

Carried

25-27 MOVED and SECONDED

THAT 'Capital Bylaw No. 2025/26-CPSD91-01' as per the Ministry's Capital Plan Response Letter dated March 25, 2025, be given third reading and adopted.

Carried

9.3 BYLAW APPROVAL

There was discussion about 'Disposal of Capital Assets Bylaw No. 2025-1 - Fort Fraser Elementary.'

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25-28 MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the following 'Disposal of Capital Assets Bylaw No. 2025-1' be given three readings and adopted at this meeting as per Section 68.4 of the School Act.

Carried

A. <u>DISPOSAL OF CAPITAL ASSETS BYLAW</u>

25-29 MOVED and SECONDED

THAT 'Disposal of Capital Assets Bylaw No. 2025-1 - Fort Fraser Elementary' be given first reading.

Carried

25-30 MOVED and SECONDED

THAT 'Disposal of Capital Assets Bylaw No. 2025-1 - Fort Fraser Elementary' be given second reading.

Carried

25-31 MOVED and SECONDED

THAT 'Disposal of Capital Assets Bylaw No. 2025-1 - Fort Fraser Elementary' be given third reading and adopted.

Carried

Adopted: May 26, 2025

9.4 POLICY AND REGULATIONS

A. POLICY 1003.1 - VISITORS TO BUILDINGS AND SITES

There was discussion about the draft amendments to 'Policy 1003.1 - Visitors to Buildings and Sites.'

25-32 MOVED and SECONDED

THAT 'Policy 1003.1 - Visitors to Buildlings and Sites' be given first reading.

Carried

9.5 <u>2027-2028 SCHOOL CALENDAR</u>

There was discussion about the public feedback that had been collected regarding the draft 2027-2028 School Calendar from February 25 to April 25, 2025.

25-33 MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the draft 2027-2028 School Calendar be publicized for additional public feedback until May 23, 2025, and the approval decision be deferred to the next Board Meeting.

Carried

10. PUBLIC QUESTIONS

One member of the public presented a question to the Board about an 'Information Only' item from the Regular Meeting Agenda. Board Chair D. Christie stopped the question because there had been no motion made to bring the 'Information Only' item to the table for Board discussion. The member of the public was encouraged to communicate any further requests to district staff via email.

11. ADJOURNMENT

25-34 MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Meeting of Monday, April 28, 2025, adjourn at 7:12 p.m.

Carried

Darlene Turner, Secretary-Treasurer	Dave Christie, Chairperson