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Achieving Educational Excellence through
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Competent and confident learners making positive
contributions in an evolving global environment

Regular Board Meeting		MINUTES	November 18, 2024 6:00 PM
Present:	D. Christie N. Hazelton D. Albertson S. Davis R. Gratz R. Pooley C. Walker M. Skinner D. Turner M. Gauthier H. Silver	Chairperson Vice Chair Trustee Trustee Trustee Trustee Trustee Interim Superintendent Secretary-Treasurer Director of Instruction Recording Secretary	
In-House			
Guests:	C. Smith 5 Members of the Public	DPAC Representative	
Present			
Online:	K. Black 5 Members of the Public	Assistant Secretary-Treasurer	
Absent:	C. McKay	Director of Instruction	
1.	<u>CALL TO ORDER - SECRETARY-TREASURER D. TURNER</u> The Regular Meeting was called to order by Secretary-Treasurer D. Turner at 6:03 p.m.		
2.	<u>RECOGNITION OF TRADITIONAL TERRITORY</u> Secretary-Treasurer D. Turner acknowledged 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.	<u>APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA</u> The Consent Agenda, including the following items, was approved: • The Agenda for the Regular Meeting dated November 18, 2024. • The Minutes of the Regular Meeting dated October 21, 2024. • The Record of the In-Camera Meeting dated October 21, 2024. • The Record of the Special In-Camera Meeting dated October 30, 2024. • The Record of the Special In-Camera Meeting dated November 5, 2024. • The Record of the Special In-Camera Meeting dated November 13, 2024.		
24-72 <i>MOVED and SECONDED</i> <i>THAT the Consent Agenda for the Regular Meeting of Monday, November 18, 2024, be approved as presented.</i> Carried			
4.	<u>ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON</u> As per SD91 Policy 202.1, Secretary-Treasurer D. Turner called for nominations for Chairperson. Trustee N. Hazelton nominated Trustee D. Christie and Trustee D. Christie accepted the nomination. Secretary-Treasurer D. Turner called two more times for further nominations. There were none. Trustee D. Christie was declared Chairperson by acclamation.		
5.	<u>CHAIRPERSON ASSUMES THE CHAIR</u> Trustee D. Christie assumed the chair.		

6. ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRPERSON

As per SD91 Policy 202.1, Chairperson D. Christie called for nominations for Vice-Chairperson. Trustee S. Davis nominated Trustee N. Hazelton and Trustee N. Hazelton accepted the nomination.

Chairperson D. Christie called two more times for further nominations. There were none.

Trustee N. Hazelton was declared Vice-Chairperson by acclamation.

7. BOARD COMMITTEE SELECTION

The following Board Committees will be represented by:

- BCPSEA Bargaining - Chairperson D. Christie (*alternate - Trustee S. Davis*)
- BCSTA Provincial Council - Vice-Chairperson N. Hazelton (*alternate - Trustee S. Davis*)
- BCSTA Northern Interior Branch (NIB) -Trustee S. Davis
- SD91 Indigenous Education Council (IEC) -Trustee R. Gratz (*alternate - Trustee S. Davis*)
- District Parent Advisory Committee (DPAC) -Trustee R. Pooley
- Budget and Finance Committee - Chairperson D. Christie, Vice-Chairperson N. Hazelton, Trustees R. Gratz, R. Pooley and C. Walker
- Policy Committee - Trustees D. Albertson, S. Davis, R. Gratz, R. Pooley and C. Walker

8. TRUSTEE REPORTS

Chairperson D. Christie reported on the work of the BCSTA Indigenous Education Committee, and shared some highlights from the October 25 committee meeting:

- Planning for an upcoming Canadian School Boards Association's Indigenous Education Committee gathering to happen in Whistler, BC
- Local Education Agreements (LEAs)
- Changing the Committee's name to Indigenous Education Advisory Council
- A survey for Trustees regarding Indigenous Education initiatives

Trustee S. Davis requested more information about LEAs. Chairperson D. Christie indicated that the BCSTA-IEC will soon be circulating a single-page informational document about the LEA process, and Interim Superintendent M. Skinner advised that SD91's District Principal of Indigenous Education J. Fairley will be leading a Trustee learning session about LEAs in December.

Vice-Chairperson N. Hazelton reported about the BCSTA Provincial Council meeting on October 25 and 26, including these highlights:

- BCSTA President C. Broady will be stepping down, and there will be an election at the next AGM
- The development of a tracking system to help members avoid duplicate motions
- A presentation from Capital Working Group that is now available for Trustees on the BCSTA Portal
- Discussion about non-voting student delegates
- Cost-efficiency of having more virtual Provincial Council meetings

Trustee S. Davis suggested that our Board advocate for more virtual attendance options for all BCSTA meetings, and others agreed.

9. EDUCATION UPDATE

Interim Superintendent M. Skinner highlighted the following sections of his monthly written report:

- Remembrance Day and Indigenous Veterans Day ceremonies in SD91 schools
- District supports for new and LOP teachers
- Wraparound supports to improve student attendance

Interim Superintendent M. Skinner also issued a public statement about the serious threats being made towards staff members at Evelyn Dickson Elementary School, and he encouraged anyone with information to contact the local RCMP.

10. **POLICIES AND REGULATIONS RE-ORGANIZATION PROJECT**

Trustee R. Pooley summarized the Policy Committee's work and plans for re-organizing the District's Policies and Regulations Manual.

24-73 *MOVED and SECONDED*
THAT a visual summary of the Policies and Regulations Re-Organization Project be posted to the SD91 website, with clear communication that there are no proposed amendments to any words/language in any existing policies at this time, and to allow for collection of public feedback until January 9, 2025, with respect to the re-numbering of existing Policies and Regulations only.

Carried

11. **PUBLIC QUESTIONS**

Member of the Public question:
Is there an explanation of the personnel report that was mentioned in the Record of the October 21 Committee Meeting that was included in the agenda package for this meeting?

Chairperson D. Christie's response:
A staff member will reach out to the member of the public after the meeting.

12. **ADJOURNMENT**

24-74 *MOVED and SECONDED*
THAT the Regular Meeting of Monday, November 18, 2024, adjourn at 6:45 p.m.

Carried

Darlene Turner, Secretary-Treasurer

Dave Christie, Chairperson