

School District No. 48 (Sea to Sky)

**Board Meeting No. 839
Wednesday, December 8th 2010
School Board Office, Squamish, BC**

**MINUTES
10-12-08 BM-O**

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm.

Section 2 of Board Policy 202.1 "Board Officers" states that there will be an annual election for Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson at the December Regular Board Meeting.

Secretary-Treasurer John Hetherington assumed the Chair and explained the process for the election of the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson. He asked the trustees to fill out their nomination ballots.

ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON:

- Christine Buttkus and Rick Price accepted the nominations for Chair.
- A vote was held and Rick Price was declared elected.
- Rick Price assumed the Chair for the election of the Vice-Chair.

ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRPERSON

- Nominations for the position of Vice-Chairperson were received and accepted by Andrea Beaubien, Christine Buttkus and Laura Godfrey.
- After the first vote there was no clear majority
- Laura Godfrey declined to continue as a candidate and on the second ballot, Andrea Beaubien was elected Vice-Chairperson.

Present: Rick Price, Chairperson
Andrea Beaubien, Vice-Chairperson
Christine Buttkus, Trustee
Laura Godfrey, Trustee
Chris Vernon-Jarvis, Trustee
Dave Walden, Trustee
Dr. Rick Erickson, Superintendent of Schools
John Hetherington, Secretary-Treasurer
Linda Arnold, Executive Assistant
Magy Odorfer, District Principal
Juanita Coltman, District Administrator-Aboriginal Education
Cameron Chalmers, District of Squamish
David Greenfield, Squamish Oceanfront Development Corporation
Bill McNeney, Squamish Oceanfront Development Corporation
Beth Miller, President, Sea to Sky Teachers' Association
Jennifer Farstad, Teacher
Ian Kent, Principal, Mamquam Elementary
Linda Firbank, Teacher
Diane Kokubun, Teacher
Christine Fitzpatrick, Teacher
Rock Castrillo, Teacher
Tammie Cassettari, PAC Co-Chair, Mamquam Elementary
Carl Walker, CUPE
Meagan Robertson, Reporter, Chief Newspaper
Terrill Patterson

1. **AGENDA**
MOVED/SECONDED **“THAT the amended agenda of this meeting, noting that item 6B (3) be deferred until January 2011, be approved.”** CARRIED

2. **MINUTES**
MOVED/SECONDED **“THAT the minutes of Board Meeting No. 838 held November 10th 2010, be adopted.”** CARRIED

3. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

A. Chairperson’s Remarks:

- None

B. Superintendent’s Remarks

- Professional Learning Workshops – November 26th
- December Activities

Dr. Erickson detailed the workshops and noted that the presentations were excellent. The Superintendent also noted the many seasonal activities occurring at schools before the holidays.

C. Secretary-Treasurer’s Remarks

- Director of Human Resources

John Hetherington publicly announced that Scott Stanley, Director of Human Resources for the last eight years in SD48, is leaving for the North Vancouver School District to take on the same position there. We wish him the best.

4. **RECEIVING DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS**

A. Sea to Sky Teachers’ Association – Beth Miller

New Board Administrative Procedure - Employee Attendance Support

Beth Miller, President of the SSTA distributed a paper detailing the SSTA’s recent General Meeting and their members’ response and opposition to the new Administrative Procedure – Employee Attendance Support. The SSTA requests that the Board rescind the Procedure immediately for several reasons noted in the presentation.

The Chairperson thanked Ms. Miller for her presentation.

B. District of Squamish – Cameron Chalmers, Trevor Dunn, David Greenfield
District of Squamish Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 2100, 2009 (Squamish Oceanfront Peninsula Sub Area Plan) No.2157-2010

Cameron Chalmers gave the presentation on behalf of the Squamish Oceanfront Development Corp. Mr. Chalmers distributed a power point presentation describing the area involved in the development, and the Sub Area Plan framework. He detailed the residential demographics envisioned and the analysis of school age children this development may generate over a period of 10 and 20 years. Mr. Chalmers requested that SD48 provide comments to the District regarding this Development.

A trustee asked if the education portion of land use was post-secondary and if there was to be day care included in the planning. Mr. Chalmers noted that there is a range of educational uses including post-secondary. He stated that day care

will be integrated in the community plan.

The Chairperson thanked Mr. Chalmers for the presentation.

5. **REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

A. Finance Committee

(1) Minutes

MOVED/SECONDED **“THAT the minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held November 10th, 2010 be accepted.”** CARRIED

(2) From November 20, 2010 meeting

MOVED/SECONDED **“THAT the Targeted Aboriginal Education Funding Allocations be approved as submitted.”** CARRIED

B. Policy Committee

(1) Minutes

MOVED/SECONDED **“THAT the minutes of the Policy Committee meeting held November 10, 2010 be accepted.”** CARRIED

C. Committee of the Whole

(1) Minutes

MOVED/SECONDED **“THAT the minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting held November 10, 2010 be accepted.”**
CARRIED

6. **GENERAL**

A. Business Arising

None.

B. Action/Discussion

(1) Squamish Area Elementary Enrolment Review

- Stawamus Elementary

The Board discussed options for a motion deciding the future of Stawamus Elementary. The first motion was amended from 2011 to 2012.

MOVED/SECONDED **“THAT the Board create a School of Choice at Stawamus Elementary, so that a specialty class be created at the Grade 6/7 level for September 2012 with the intention of growing the school to all grades in time.”** MOTION DEFEATED

MOVED/SECONDED **“THAT Stawamus Elementary implement a School of Choice for September 2012 with a minimum of three grades.”** CARRIED

MOVED/SECONDED **“THAT the Board ask staff to immediately bring back a plan for appropriate consultation for a School of Choice for Stawamus Elementary.”** CARRIED

- Mamquam Elementary

MOVED/SECONDED **“THAT the District French Immersion program move Grade 5 to Squamish Elementary, effective 2011 and Grade 6 and Grade 7 in the subsequent years 2012 and 2013.”** MOTION DEFEATED

MOVED/SECONDED **‘THAT the District French Immersion program move Grade 5 and 6 to Squamish Elementary effective 2011 and Grade 7 in the subsequent year 2012.’** CARRIED

(2) Superintendent’s Report to the Board of Education on Student Achievement

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MOVED/SECONDED **“THAT the Superintendent’s Report on Student Achievement be received and approved as amended, to include Trades Success rates.”** CARRIED

Magy Odorfer distributed the report required by the Ministry of Education and discussed its main purposes. The report details student learning achievement with a summary chart outlining our goals and achievements and whether or not we have met the target. Also noted was an analysis of improving areas, challenging areas with improvement plans, recommendations and closing comments.

Magy thanked the Board for the privilege of reporting, noting that it is exciting to see the improvements made, especially in the elementary grades.

(3) Aboriginal Education Enhancement Agreement 2009/2010 Annual Report
Recommendation: **“THAT the Aboriginal Education Enhancement Agreement Annual Report be approved.”**

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C. Information Items
None.

D. Trustee Items

(1) School Calendar – Andrea Beaubien
Ms Beaubien reported on the School Calendar Committee, noting that it has met and come up with a draft District Calendar to be sent out to schools for feedback. The main recommendations include a two week spring break, school start after Labour Day, and unity throughout each community.

E. Bylaws
None.

F. Items Brought Out of Camera
None.

7. **QUESTIONS OF CLARIFICATION FROM THE PUBLIC**

8. **ADJOURNMENT**

MOVED/SECONDED **“THAT the meeting be adjourned.”** CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Chairperson



Secretary-Treasurer