

**SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 48 (HOWE SOUND)**

**Minutes of Board Meeting No. 748 held Wednesday, June 14, 2006 at the School Board Office  
The meeting commenced at 6:00 p.m.**

Present: Dave Walden, Chairperson  
Rick Price, Vice-Chairperson  
Andrea Beaubien, Trustee  
Lyle Fenton, Trustee  
Andrée Janyk, Trustee  
Mike Milner, Trustee  
Chris Vernon-Jarvis, Trustee  
Rick Erickson, Superintendent of Schools  
Nancy Edwards, Secretary-Treasurer  
Lawrence Tarasoff, District Principal and Principal, Pemberton Secondary  
Myrna MacRae, Executive Assistant  
Shannon Schaefer, President, CUPE Local 779  
Dorothy Gregg, Vice-President, CUPE Local 779  
Paul Lorette, Principal, Brackendale Elementary School  
Terrill Patterson, Member of the Public  
Carl Walker, President, HSTA  
Maureen Painter, Director of Library Services, Squamish Public Library  
Rob Smith, Ministry of Children & Families  
Jane Emerick, Reporter, Squamish Chief

**1. AGENDA**

**“THAT the agenda of this meeting be approved as amended.”**

CARRIED

**2. MINUTES**

A. **“THAT the minutes of Board Meeting No. 746 held Wednesday, May 10<sup>th</sup> 2006 be adopted.”**

CARRIED

B. **“THAT the minutes of Special Board Meeting No. 747 held Wednesday, May 31<sup>st</sup> 2006 be adopted as amended.”**

CARRIED

C. **“THAT the notes of a Finance Committee Meeting held Monday, June 5<sup>th</sup> 2006 be received.”**

CARRIED

**3. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**A. Chairperson’s Remarks**

- Due to scheduling difficulties the Board has been unable to meet with MLA Joan McIntyre, but hopefully the meeting can be scheduled in the fall.
- Dave Walden reported on the retirement event held on June 13<sup>th</sup> and extended best wishes to all retirees.
- The next regular public Board meeting will be September 13<sup>th</sup>.
- The Board will be meeting with Principals and Vice-Principals on August 22 and a Board workday is scheduled for August 28<sup>th</sup>.
- Dave Walden recognized Paul Lorette and Lawrence Tarasoff for their successful completion of “Dimensions of Practice”.

Agenda

**B. Superintendent’s Remarks**

- The District Review Team report has not been received yet.
- A search function has been added to the School District’s new website.
- Rick Erickson reported that the May 25-26th Interactive Innovations Conference which included web connections between Whistler, Nelson, Prince George, Victoria, and

Kelowna was well received

- School Growth Planning Resource Binders will be available in the Board Office
- Recruitment is underway for a District Principal – Student Support Services and a District Principal to cover some of the responsibilities currently covered by Pius Ryan and Alex Marshall.
- The following appointments for 2006/07 were announced:
  - Sharon Broatch, Principal, Myrtle Philip Community School
  - Gerri Galloway, Principal, Spring Creek Elementary School
  - Seb Amenta, Principal, Valleycliffe Elementary School
  - Angela Uren, Principal, Stawamus Elementary School
  - Kathryn Strilchuk, Vice-Principal, Pemberton Secondary School
- The Vice-Principal vacancies at Brackendale Elementary, Signal Hill Elementary, and Pemberton Secondary will be filled as soon as possible
- The Summer program will offer regular credit courses (enrolment permitting) at no cost to eligible students as the Ministry of Education will now fund these courses
- Community Focus Group meetings facilitated by Dallas Cristofoli will be held in Squamish, Whistler, and Pemberton in the fall to provide input on the Mission and Vision statements.

C. **Secretary-Treasurer's Remarks**

- School District No. 48 was named the School District of the Year in the Terasen Gas sponsored Destination Conservation Program implemented at the three Whistler area schools. The facilities staff, teachers and students were commended for the excellent work on this program which resulted in a saving of over \$9,500 in energy costs over the five month period

**“THAT a letter be written to the facilities staff, teachers and students commending them on their excellent work on this program.”**

Letter  
(NKE)

CARRIED

- The Finance Committee will be holding a 2006/07 budget debriefing meeting at 9:00 am on June 22<sup>nd</sup>. The meeting is open to anyone who would like to attend.
- The proposed summer works program includes major flooring replacement, restoration from flood damage at Myrtle Philip Community School, a new dust collection system in the shop at Don Ross Secondary School, replacement and addition of lockers at Howe Sound Secondary School, replacement of equipment in the teaching kitchen at Howe Sound Secondary, as well as resurfacing of gym floors, upgrading of parking lots and line marking.

Agenda  
(NKE)

4. **RECEIVING DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS**

A. **Distributed Learning**

Lawrence Tarasoff, District Principal provided a brief description of the proposed Distributed Learning virtual school proposed for School District 48 and demonstrated the ease of access through the Internet.

B. **Community Coaches at Pemberton Secondary**

Lawrence Tarasoff, Principal of Pemberton Secondary School provided a verbal report on the successful use of community coaches at Pemberton Secondary.

**“THAT a policy be developed to deal with the use of Community Coaches at schools.”**

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(RE)

CARRIED

C. **Sea to Sky Community Services Society – Strengthening Families Program**

Rob Smith provided a visual presentation on the Strengthening Families Program and thanked the Board for their past support of the program at Squamish Elementary School.

**“THAT the Board approve the Strengthening Families Program as a joint School District and Ministry of Children and Families program, and further that the Board approve the use of the school facilities for this program.”**

Letter/  
Agreement  
(NKE)

CARRIED

D. **Squamish Public Library**

Maureen Painter, Director of Library Services for the Squamish Public Library presented information on the success of their ESL Preschool Literacy Program and the benefit of continuing the program through the summer.

**“THAT the Board approve the Squamish Public Library’s request to hold the ESL Preschool literacy program at Valleycliffe Elementary School during the summer, at no cost to the Squamish Public Library.”**

Letter  
(NKE)

CARRIED

5. **BUSINESS ARISING** Nil

6. **REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

A. Finance Committee

i) **Minutes of the June 5, 2006 Finance Committee Meeting** – information only

ii) **June 14, 2006 Finance Committee**

Nancy Edwards provided a brief review of some highlights of the proposed budget.

**“THAT the Board members unanimously agree to waive the requirement that first, second and third reading of School District No. 48 2006/07 Budget Bylaw be given on different dates.”**

CARRIED

**“THAT the Board give first, second, third and final readings to School District No. 48 2006/07 Budget Bylaw as follows:**

**A Bylaw of THE BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES OF SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 48 (Howe Sound) (called the "Board") to adopt the annual budget of the Board for the fiscal year 2006/07 pursuant to section 113 of the School Act, R.S.B.C., 1996, c. 412 as amended from time to time (called the "Act").**

1. **The Board has complied with the provisions of the Act respecting the annual budget adopted by this bylaw.**
2. **This bylaw may be cited as School District No. 48 (Howe Sound) Annual Budget Bylaw for fiscal year 2006/07.**
3. **The attached Schedule "A1" showing the estimated revenue and expenditure for the 2006/07 fiscal year and the total budget bylaw amount of \$33,726,889 for the 2006/07 fiscal year was prepared in accordance with the Act.**
4. **The "A" Schedules are adopted as the annual budget of the Board for the fiscal year 2006/07.”**

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Bylaw to  
Min/Ed  
(JH)

A copy of the budget as well as a written summary of the highlights of the budget will be available at the School Board Office and on the website next week.

Summary  
(NKE)

7. **TRUSTEES ITEMS**

A. **Trustee Reports**

Trustees reported on the following issues:

- A letter from Penny Tees, President of BCSTA, to Shirley Bond, Minister of Education and John Furlong, VANOC Committee, encouraging them to consult and plan to involve students in the 2010 Olympics, as proposed by the South Coast Branch.
- Commendation of Ms. Butterfield, the teachers and staff at Whistler Secondary School for the excellent Science Olympics.
- The Howe Sound Secondary/Squamish Nation Witnessing Ceremony to commit to

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holding a Potlatch on April 27, 2007.

- Once the new Pemberton Community Centre is completed, there may be more requests for the use of a school gym for community activities.
- Praise was extended for the community groups involved in programs such as Strengthening Families and the Library ESL Preschool which provide valuable services to students and their families.

8. **GENERAL**

A. ACTION ITEMS

ii) **Bussing for Valleycliffe Students**

**“THAT the Board continues to provide transportation in 2006/07 for Plateau and Ravenswood students to Howe Sound Secondary School, and**

**That this be reviewed again for 2007/08 based on expected enrolment from Britannia Beach, Plateau Drive and Ravenswood, and further;**

**That the District applies to have the Ravenswood and Plateau route recognized for funding purposes when the funding freeze is removed.”**

CARRIED

Letters &  
Bus Passes  
(NKE)

B. INFORMATION ITEMS

i) **Receipts & Disbursements for the Month ended April 30, 2006** information only

9. **BYLAWS AND POLICIES - Nil**

10. **ITEMS BROUGHT OUT OF IN CAMERA**

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

12. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 7:25 pm.

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Chairperson

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Secretary-Treasurer