

School District No. 48 (Howe Sound)

Minutes of Board Meeting No. 782 held Wednesday, March 12th 2008 in the School Board Office, Squamish, BC. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm.

Present:

Dave Walden, Chairperson
Rick Price, Vice-Chairperson
Andrea Beaubien, Trustee
Lyle Fenton, Trustee
Andrée Janyk, Trustee
Mike Milner, Trustee
Chris Vernon-Jarvis, Trustee
Nancy Edwards, Secretary-Treasurer
Rick Erickson, Superintendent of Schools
Myrna MacRae, Executive Assistant

1. **AGENDA**

“THAT the agenda of this meeting be approved.”

2. **MINUTES**

- A. **“THAT the minutes of Board Meeting No. 779 held Wednesday, February 13th 2008 be adopted.”**
- B. **“THAT the minutes of the Committee of the Whole - Meeting held Wednesday, February 13th 2008 be adopted.”**
- C. **“THAT the minutes of Board Meeting No. 780 held Wednesday, February 27th 2008 be adopted.”**
- D. **“THAT the minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting held Wednesday, February 27th 2008 be adopted.**
- E. **“THAT the minutes of Board Meeting No. 781 held Wednesday, March 5th 2008 be adopted.”**

3. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- A. **CHAIRPERSON’S REMARKS:**
- Staff Recognition
 - BC Education Leadership Council
 - New Deputy Minister
- B. **SUPERINTENDENT’S REMARKS**
- Late French Immersion
 - Boundary Review
 - Kindergarten – Full Time Option
 - Missing in Education (MIE)

C. **SECRETARY-TREASURER'S REMARKS**

- Budget Development 2008/09

4. **RECEIVING DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS**

- A. Squamish Trails Society – Bob Brant
Request for support for a crossing of Highway 99 north of the Adventure Centre
(A letter has also been received from Raj Kahlon and is attached for your information)

5. **BUSINESS ARISING**

From Committee of the Whole Meeting held February 27th 2008

“THAT the Board adopt the District Education Goals of Literacy, Numeracy/Mathematics and Social Responsibility.”

6. **ACTION ITEMS**

- A. Howe Sound Dry Grad – Use of School Busses
“THAT the Board allow the use of school district busses to transport our dry grad students from the Civic Centre to the Adventure Centre on Friday, May 30th 2008, and from Brennan Park to Quest University on Mary 31st 2008; provided that our bus drivers are prepared to donate their time and that busses are available at the requested time.”

- B. Crime Stoppers Bumper Stickers

7. **TRUSTEE ITEMS**

- A. BCSTA Update – D. Walden

8. **COMMITTEES**

- A. Finance Committee

- i) February 13th 2008 Minutes

“That the minutes of the February 13th 2008 Finance Committee meeting be received.”

- ii) Business Arising from the Finance Committee Minutes

“THAT the District’s Funding Allocation System to Schools be changed as follows:

A. Special Education

- **Eliminate the identification of \$3,798,427 as being the total amount of Special Education Funds available in the District.**
- **Define 4% of the per pupil amount to be a “Special Education per-pupil amount” and apply a school’s Special Education Index to it.**
- **Compute the Special Education Index for an elementary school by comparing its ratio to the total district elementary ratio, and similarly for the Junior Secondary and the Secondary Schools.**
- **Extend the allocation of .40 FTE funding for Learning Assistance to the Junior Secondary School.**
- **Elementary and secondary split**

B. Clerical Funding

- **No change recommended**

C. Per Pupil Amounts

- **Eliminate the \$50 per student for French Immersion**
- **Adjust the per pupil funding for secondary students to be 101% of the per pupil funding for intermediate students.**

D. Increased Costs in the North

- **No change recommended. Conduct an analysis of actual costs at year-end.**

E. Holdback for Class Size Issues (Situational Staffing)

- **If class configurations submitted by schools do not aggregate to meet the District Class Size regulations, provide for enough situational staffing in the Preliminary Budget to do so. Funding for such holdback should be fully allocated to schools in September.**

“That a budget line for differentiated staffing with 2.0 FTE be established.”

B. Policy Committee

i) February 13th 2008 Minutes

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“That the minutes of the March 5th 2008 Policy Committee meeting be received.”

ii) Business Arising from the Policy Committee Meeting

a) Policy, Regulation and Procedures 602.4 French Immersion

“THAT Policy, Regulation and Procedure 602.4 French Immersion, be given third and final reading as presented.”

b) Policy, Regulations and Procedures 602.12 Programs of Choice

“THAT Policy, Regulation and Procedure 602.12 Programs of Choice, be given third and final reading as presented.”

c) Policy 504.10 Schools: Healthy Living

“THAT Policy 504.10 Schools: Healthy Living be given third and final reading as presented.”

d) Policy 504.11 Schools: Healthy Living: Physical Activity

“THAT Policy 504.11 Schools: Healthy Living, Physical Activity be given third and final reading as presented.”

e) Policy, Regulation and Procedures 602.10 International Education

“THAT Policy, Regulation and Procedure 602.10 – International Education, be given third and final reading as presented.”

9. BYLAWS

10. ITEMS BROUGHT OUT OF IN CAMERA

11. QUESTIONS OF CLARIFICATION FROM THE PUBLIC

12. **ADJOURNMENT**

“THAT the meeting be adjourned.”

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at

Chairperson

Secretary-Treasurer