



School District #49 (Central Coast)

REGULAR MEETING OF BOARD OF EDUCATION

Date: September 15, 2020

Time: 6:16 PM

Location: Board Office Board Room

IN ATTENDANCE:

Trustees: Nicola Koroluk, Chair
Marisa Blewett, Vice Chair
Christina Hoppe, Trustee
Crystal Anderson, Trustee (Teleconference)

Staff: Stephen Dishkin, Superintendent
Helen Zhao, Secretary Treasurer

Guest Micaela Roque, Auditor, KPMG (Teleconference)
Scott Barnes, Principal, SAMS (Teleconference)
Andrea Dennett, Teacher, SAMS (Teleconference)
Krista Wilson Teacher, NES (Teleconference)
Candice Hammer, Teacher, SAMS (Teleconference)
Lindsay Gericke, community guest (Teleconference)
Kirsten Milton, community guest (Teleconference)
Colleen Fraser, community guest (Teleconference)
Samuel Schooner, community guest (Teleconference)
Other unidentified guests (Teleconference)

The meeting was called to order at 18:16 hours, September 15, 2020

The Board chair acknowledged that the meeting was being Held on Traditional Nuxalk Territory.

ADOPTION of AGENDA

MOVED/SECONDED Marisa Blewett/Christina Hoppe

That the Board accepted the agenda items

CARRIED

ADOPTION of MINUTES

MOVED/SECONDED Christina Hoppe/ Marisa Blewett

That the Board accepted minutes on June 09, 2020 and August 20, 2020

CARRIED

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Stage Two Restart plan

Superintend presented amendment to the restart plan. School district continues to have regular discussions with First Nations, unions, parents and students for ongoing plan development and implementation.

MOVED/SECONDED Christina Hoppe/Crystal Anderson
That the Board of Education accepted the Secretary Treasurer report
CARRIED

QUESTIONS

How do you determine which children get access to distributed learning? What do we tell students/parents regarding work at home?

Schools are working towards transition to distributed learning. Options will be provided to parents no later than October 01. Communication will be sent out again to parents regarding the delivery methods of support to students,

How will teachers provide work to students at this time?

School district is committed to providing support to teachers. With the collaboration with teachers, school administration is going to work with individuals to address specific needs.

Have the district had plan to provide support to staff out of sick days?

A joint committee is going to be put together to look at sick leave.

Would it be option that students can attend school part time? .This option can be worked out among staff and principals. The direction is going to be provided fairly quickly.

Are employees aware of the WCB right to refuse unsafe work? Worksafe BC regulations are to be followed if an unsafe work condition is identified.

It was commented that deem a place is safe under these conditions does not quell the anxiety for some. School district is trying to support staff as much as possible.

It was commented that the First Nation did not agree with the decision on having school in session. School District follows direction by the Ministry and the Public health officer. There was no evidence that schools are not safe to be kept open.

How was the decision made by the Board with limited capacity at the local hospital?

The decision was based on the direction by Public Health.

How come that Public health officer did not know the cases? It was Nuxualk Nation EOC that informed public health.

These are community cases, School district was not notified.

Is the public health officer local?

School District was told that the public health officer is not local.

Schools have not even had pre-covid level of Janitorial services during this first week back.

Janitorial service level is determined by the restart plan, which follows the requirement by the Ministry,

What is the direction from the School District to staff living on reserve with Nuxalk Nation EOC's decision on community lockdown.

It is requirement for staff to come to work when schools remain open. It is personal choice for staff to observe Nuxualk nation EOC's decision.

How does school guarantee the safety of the children? The guidelines by Ministry and Public Health are followed.

Is there a protocol for the outdoor trip coming up? Yes, the protocol is going to be provided.


ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD TO THE IN CAMERA MEETING

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED/SECONDED Nicola Koroluk/ Christina Hoppe

That the regular meeting adjourns at 20:00 hours September 15, 2020


Chairperson


Superintendent