



School District #49 (Central Coast)

REGULAR MEETING OF BOARD OF EDUCATION

Date: April 12, 2022

Time: 6:02 PM

Location: Board Office Board Room

IN ATTENDANCE:

Trustees: Nicola Koroluk, Chair
Marisa Blewett, Trustee
Christina Hoppe, Trustee
Frank Johnson, Trustee (Teleconference)

Staff: Stephen Dishkin, Superintendent
Helen Zhao, Secretary Treasurer

Guests: Terry Webber (Teleconference)

The meeting was called to order at 18:02 hours, April 12, 2022

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

ADOPTION of AGENDA

MOVED/SECONDED Marisa Blewett/ Christina Hoppe
That the Board accepted the agenda items
CARRIED

ADOPTION of MINUTES

MOVED/SECONDED Marisa Blewett/Christina Hoppe
The Board approved the minutes for March 08, 2022
CARRIED

Business arising from previous minutes

Trustee variance

The Board is going to seek information from other Boards and set up meetings with Nuxálk Nation. Terry Webber commented that Nuxálk Nation is looking for fair process.

Action item

Capital bylaw 2022/23

MOVED/SECONDED Marisa Blewett/Christina Hoppe
The Board put three readings of capital bylaw in one.

MOVED/SECONDED Marisa Blewett/Frank Johnson
The Board adopted capital bylaw 2022/23

Annual Facility Grant (AFG) projects 2022/23

MOVED/SECONDED Christina Hoppe/Marisa Blewett
The Board approved AFG project for 2022/23

Local capital purchase

MOVED/SECONDED Christina Hoppe/Marisa Blewett

The Board approved \$60,000 transfer from local capital funding towards Shearwater well project

Scholarship committee

The Board appointed trustee Blewett as committee member and asked staff and PAC to sit on the committee.

Trustee indemnity policy

MOVED/SECONDED Christina Hoppe/Frank Johnson

The Board adopted the amended trustee indemnity policy

Information items

Enrollment

There are 219 students enrolled in April.

Admin report

Superintendent provided updates to the Board.

Preliminary annual budget overview 2022/23

Operating grant for next school year is going to be decreased by \$100,000. With reduction of budget for services and supplies by \$100,000. \$540,000 operating loss is still anticipated.

According to the accumulated surplus policy, \$280,000 prior year surplus can be allocated to the operating expenses. There is still \$260,000 budget shortfall. One option is to use contingency reserve to balance the budget. The other option is to review the current staffing level.

Four-year staffing level analysis was presented to the Board. Current staffing level is 92.7 FTE with 206 students enrolled compared to 84.36 FTE in 2018/19 with 258 students enrolled. Staffing increase was funded by both federal and provincial covid funding, as well as enrollment decline supplement for the past three school years. However, the current staffing level is not sustainable over the long run without big enrollment increase anticipated.

District is going to look at areas to balance the budget during the consultation process with schools and other stakeholders.

Capital updates

Potential capital project list was presented and reviewed with the Board.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

MOVED/SECONDED Christina Hoppe/Marisa Blewett

The Board approved the committee reports

Questions and Comments

ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD TO THE IN CAMERA MEETING

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED/SECONDED Nicola Koroluk/ Christina Hoppe

That the regular meeting adjourns at 19:06 hours April 12, 2022

Chairperson

Superintendent