



SD70 PACIFIC RIM BOARD OF EDUCATION
PUBLIC MINUTES
5:00 pm – September 14, 2021
Administration Office – Port Alberni

Trustees P. Craig, S. Leslie, J. Bennie (via Zoom), L. Ransom (via Zoom), R. Buchanan, C. Washington, C. Watts (via Zoom)
Administration: G. Smyth, B. Witte, L. Cheetham, S. Manson, M. Fryer, J. Messenger
P&VP: J. Badovinac

Call to Order – 5:00 pm Trustee Craig in the Chair.

Trustee Craig acknowledged the Tseshaht and Hupacasath people on whose territory we live, work and learn.

Questions/Approval of Agenda

Moved by Trustee Washington and seconded by Trustee Leslie that the Agenda of September 14, 2021, be approved.

CARRIED

Conflict of Interest Declaration – Nil

1.0 Adoption of Minutes

Moved by Trustee Buchanan and seconded by Trustee Ransom the minutes of June 8, 2021 be approved.

CARRIED

2.0 Announcements of the Chair

- Trustee Craig noted that October is National Principals Month and it is World Teachers' Day on October 5th.

3.0 Good News from the Schools - Nil

4.0 Trustee Statements

- Trustee Buchanan appreciated being able to hold the meeting in person.

5.0 Petitions/Delegations/Presentations – Nil

6.0 Staff Reports

6.1 Audited Financial Statements 2020-21

Lenora Lee from KPMG presented their report on the 2020-21 Audit Findings Report; Mr. Cheetham reviewed the 2020-21 Annual Financial Statements.

Moved by Trustee Washington and seconded by Trustee Buchanan that the Board approve the 2020-21 Annual Financial statements as presented.

CARRIED

6.2 Expenditures for May 2021

Moved by Trustee Leslie and seconded by Trustee Watts that the expenditures for the month of May 2021 be approved as follows:

Description	May
Supplies and Services	\$2,067,078.47
Salaries and Benefits	\$3,835,859.04
	\$5,902,937.51

CARRIED

6.3 Expenditures for June 2021

Moved by Trustee Buchanan and seconded by Trustee Washington that the expenditures for the month of June 2021 be approved as follows:

Description	June
Supplies and Services	\$2,031,801.59
Salaries and Benefits	\$4,060,861.05
	\$6,092,662.64

CARRIED

6.4 Expenditures for July 2021

Moved by Trustee Bennie and seconded by Trustee Leslie that the expenditures for the month of July 2021 be approved as follows:

Description	July
Supplies and Services	\$2,585,151.09
Salaries and Benefits	\$2,696,039.07
	\$5,281,190.16

CARRIED

6.5 Superintendent's Report

The Superintendent provided his monthly report.

6.6 International Education

The District Principal – International Education provided an update on International Education.

6.7 Early Learning

The District Principal – Early Learning highlighted Early Learning Initiatives.

6.8 National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

The Director of Instruction – Learning and Innovation provided details on plans to acknowledge the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation in schools and at Tsuma-as Elementary School on September 29th.

7.0 Executive Committee Reports

7.1 August 31 and September 8, 2021.

8.0 Unfinished Business/New Business - Nil**9.0 Policy Development - Nil****10.0 Correspondence – Action Required –**

10.1 copy of letter from ADSS Vice Principal Carl Poole requesting the Board to recognize Pride Week from May 30 – June 3, 2022

Moved by Trustee Washington and seconded by Trustee Watts that the Board approve the request from SOGI Lead Carl Poole to recognize Pride Week in schools from May 30 – June 3, 2022.

CARRIED

11.0 Correspondence – For Information

11.1 copy of the Westerly News dated September 8, 2021.

12.0 Board Committees - Nil**13.0 Internal District Committees - Nil****14.0 External or Community Committees**

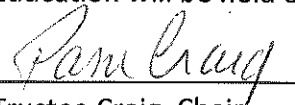
14.1 BCSTA/VISTA – *Trustee Craig*

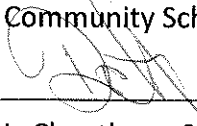
14.2 Port Alberni Museum & Heritage Commission – *Trustee Craig*

Audience Question Period

- CUPE Vice President Andrew Schneider was recently working at UES and commented how great UES and USS is looking. Andrew asked for a copy of the Audited Financial Statement.
- ADTU President Cindy Hewitt asked about revenue for International Ed students. Mr. Fryer responded. Ms. Hewitt commented on recent figures on Mental Health claims since COVID.

The Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 6:31 pm. The next regular meeting of the Board of Education will be held on October 12, 2021 at 2:00pm at Bamfield Community School.


Trustee Craig, Chair


L. Cheetham, Secretary-Treasurer