



Board of Education

Meeting Type : Board of Education

Date : Wednesday, November 04, 2015

Start time : 9:00 AM

Location : Boardroom

Call to Order

Trustees Present: S. Ball, H. Bilton, R. Fisher, C. Huelsman, T. James, G. Kerr, J. Swainson

Trustees Absent: C. Butler, S. Cooper

Staff: S. Bexon – Communications Officer, D. Maclsaac – Executive Assistant to Superintendent, R. Hoppins – Associate Superintendent People Services, S. Russell – Associate Superintendent Corporate Services, K. Sacher – Superintendent/CEO, S. Babb – Recording Secretary

Acting Chair R. Fisher called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Agenda Approval

Acting Chair R. Fisher called for additional agenda items.

Resolution #20151105003

Moved By: C. Huelsman

Motion to approve the agenda as presented.

Carried

Minutes Approval

The minutes of the October 7, 2015 Board of Education meeting were provided for review.

Resolution #20151105005

Moved By: H. Bilton

Motion to approve the minutes of the October 7, 2015 Board of Education meeting with the following revisions:

- **Transportation Quarterly Update: Budget – “does not receive funding for” revised to “does not receive as much funding for”**
- **School Closure Process – “Motion of Motion” revised to “Notice of Motion”**
- **Community Learning Campus – “organization” revised to “organizations”**

Carried

Resolution #20151105006

Moved By: T. James

Motion to move the meeting In Camera at 9:03 a.m.

Carried

It was noted that S. Ball, H. Bilton, R. Fisher, C. Huelsman, J. Swainson, T. James, G. Kerr, S. Russell, R. Hoppins and K. Sacher remained in the meeting at this time.

R. Hoppins left the meeting at 9:41 a.m.

Resolution #20151105008

Moved By: S. Ball

Motion to return to the regular meeting at 10:05 a.m.

Carried

RECESS: 10:05 a.m.

RECONVENE: 10:19 a.m.

C. Huelsman did not return to the meeting.

S. Bexon, D. MacIsaac and S. Babb entered the meeting at this time.

Personnel

Associate Superintendent People Services R. Hoppins provided an update on personnel items during the In Camera portion of the meeting.

Resolution #20151105011

Moved By: J. Swainson

Motion to accept the personnel report as presented.

Carried

**Superintendent's
Personnel
Update**

Superintendent K. Sacher provided an update on personnel items during the In Camera portion of the meeting.

**Accounts
Payable**

The listing of Accounts Payable cheques over \$500 and direct deposits for October 2015 were provided for review during the In Camera portion of the meeting.

Facilities Update

Associate Superintendent Corporate Services S. Russell provided a facilities update during the In Camera portion of the meeting.

Resolution #20151105015

Moved By: S. Ball

Motion that Chinook's Edge School Division No. 73 Board of Education direct the Superintendent to gather additional information from the Town of Carstairs as per their October 22, 2015 letter.

Carried

Resolution #20151105016

Moved By: G. Kerr

Motion that Chinook's Edge School Division No. 73 Board of Education direct the Board Chair to respond to the Town of Carstairs letter, dated October 22, 2015 as discussed.

Carried

**Cooperative
Busing Plan**

Associate Superintendent Corporate Services S. Russell presented details regarding cooperative busing between Chinook's Edge School Division and Red Deer Catholic Regional Schools in Olds and Innisfail.

Mr. Russell reported that based on the current student population, there would be 16 possible Red Deer Catholic students in Olds and 61 in Innisfail that would be picked up by Chinook's Edge School Division buses. There would

be a cost benefit to CESD in the amount of approximately \$143,605 and to Red Deer Catholic in the amount of approximately \$104,500. Mr. Russell noted that these figures would fluctuate based on the student population. He also noted that CESD would be picking up Red Deer Catholic students, however there may situations in the future where it makes sense for Red Deer Catholic to pick up CESD students.

Ride times were discussed and S. Russell reported that the largest increase would be approximately 14 minutes bringing the total ride time to 60 minutes. It is not anticipated that any routes would be beyond the ride time guidelines established. The increase for each route was provided and it was noted that the average increase would be 8-10 minutes.

Mr. Russell confirmed that CESD would not be crossing boundaries in order to pick up students. Parents would have the option to meet the bus at the nearest stop within the boundary if desired. These details will be included in the cooperative busing agreement. Also included in the agreement would be a clause regarding what happens during a strike, a requirement that there be no more than five days difference in the school calendars and also an escape clause for both parties.

The alignment of the school calendars was discussed. Mr. Russell noted that Red Deer Catholic has made significant changes to their school calendars in Innisfail and Olds and with the proposed changes to the CESD calendar, there would be a difference of two days. The cost to run the buses on days that CESD does not have school would be approximately \$1500 per day.

The time frame for cooperative busing will be outlined in the agreement. Mr. Russell reported that they may want to start in June so there are fewer issues at the start of the year.

Resolution #20151105018

Moved By: H. Bilton

Motion that Chinook's Edge School Division No. 73 Board of Education approve the cooperative busing plan with Red Deer Catholic Regional Schools in Olds and Innisfail and direct the Superintendent to develop a cooperative busing agreement.

Carried

**2016-2017
Calendar
Revisions**

Associate Superintendent Corporate Services S. Russell presented the 2016-2017 calendar revisions for approval. The changes to the calendar were outlined including a revision to the Christmas break from December 26th to January 6th to align with Red Deer Catholic. Due to the diploma exams scheduled for June 29th, another non-instructional day was added on March 9th as this aligns with the Red Deer Catholic teacher's convention.

Resolution #20151105020

Moved By: G. Kerr

Motion that Chinook's Edge School Division No. 73 Board of Education approve the revised 2016-2017 school calendar as presented.

Carried

T. Sanche entered the meeting at 10:32 a.m.

**Naming of the
New Sylvan Lake
School**

Associate Superintendent Corporate Services S. Russell presented the shortlist of names for the new Sylvan Lake School.

The background and results of a Google search for each name was provided for discussion.

The Trustees agreed that Beacon Hill was the most appropriate as it states the location clearly for the community and is in line with the naming Policy. The name was also suggested most frequently in the survey.

Resolution #20151105023

Moved By: J. Swainson

Motion that Chinook's Edge School Division No. 73 Board of Education name the new kindergarten to grade six school in Sylvan Lake "Beacon Hill Elementary School".

Carried

T. Sanche left the meeting at 10:42 a.m.

**Olds and District
Kiwanis Music
Festival**

A letter received from the Olds and District Kiwanis Music Festival Society, dated October 12, 2015, requesting support for their annual festival was provided for review.

Resolution #20151105025

Moved By: T. James

Motion that Chinook's Edge School Division No. 73 Board of Education provide financial support in the amount of \$700 (seven hundred dollars) to the Olds and District Kiwanis Music Festival Society for their 2016 festival.

Carried

**Christmas Card
Signing**

Christmas cards to accompany the candy trays for the schools were distributed for signing.

Audit Committee

No report at this time.

**Finance
Committee**

No report at this time.

**Education
Committee**

The minutes of the October 28, 2015 Education Committee meeting were provided for review. The following changes were made:

- Superintendent's Update: addition of a hyphen to post-secondary
- Sundre Attendance Boundary: Motion by "S. Babb" revised to "S. Ball"

Resolution #20151105030

Moved By: S. Ball

Motion that Chinook's Edge School Division No. 73 Board of Education:**1. Move the south boundary portion of Sundre from:****Centre sections****of: 06-31-07-W5, 05-31-07-W5, 04-31-07-W5, 03-31-07-W5, 02-31-07-W5, 01-31-07-W5*****Further south to:*****Centre sections of: 31-30-07-W5, 32-30-07-W5, 33-30-07-W5, 34-30-07-W5****, 35-30-07-W5 ,36-30-07-W5 and 31-30-06-W5, 32-30-06-W5, 33-30-06-W5,****34-30-06-W5, 35-30-06-W5, 36-30-06-W5 and 31-30-05-W5, 32-30-05-W5,****33-30-05-W5 and 10-31-05-W5, 11-31-05-W5****2. Move the farthest southeast boundary portion of Cremona from:****Centre sections of: 29-30-03-W5 and 20-30-03-W5*****To the west to:*****Centre sections of: 28-30-03-W5 and 21-30-03-W5****3. Move the centre east boundary portion of Cremona from:****Centre sections of: 18-29-02-W5 and 07-29-02-W5 and 06-29-02-W5*****Further west to:*****Centre sections of: 14-29-03-W5 and 11-29-03-W5 and 02-29-03-W5****Carried****Facilities and
Maintenance
Committee**

No report at this time.

**Negotiations
Committee**

No report at this time.

**Parents Matter
Committee**

Board representative H. Bilton provided an update from the October 7th and October 27th Parents Matter Committee meetings. The minutes of the meetings were provided for review. The date of the next meeting was set for February 10th. D. Maclsaac will send out a calendar invite. Superintendent K. Sacher thanked the Trustees for their attendance at the meeting.

**Policy
Committee**

The minutes of the October 9th Policy Committee meeting were provided for review.

**Public
Consultation
Committee**

Board representative H. Bilton provided an update from the October 7th Public Consultation meeting. The minutes of the meeting were provided for review. A copy of the notes from the Strategic Planning session were also distributed at the meeting.

Teachers Matter

No report at this time.

Technology

No report at this time.

Committee**Transportation
Committee**

No report at this time.

**Superintendent
Update**

Superintendent K. Sacher provided a verbal update:

- Mr. Sacher reported that he attended his first face to face meeting of the C21 (Canadians for 21st Century Learning & Innovation) CEO Academy. The Academy was created to influence policy around public education. They meet twice a year and Mr. Sacher will be using PD funds to attend.
- Mr. Sacher will be presenting the “Story of David” and the “Story of Lester” at CASS on November 5th.
- Mr. Sacher will be presenting on Reverse Delegation at Olds College to the Animal Sciences group. Associate Superintendent Corporate Services S. Russell will follow-up with Influencer Training.

G. Kerr left the meeting at 10:52 a.m.

- A CLC Dual Credit Symposium was held at the CLC Fine Arts Centre with 70 delegates in attendance. It was noted that Alberta Education did not attend the event and have not been supportive of dual credit programming.

G. Kerr returned to the meeting at 10:57 a.m.

- Tom Hierck will be presenting at the December 2nd ADCOS meeting at the Alumni Centre from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and the Trustees were invited to attend. D. Maclsaac will send out a calendar invite.

**Community
Learning
Campus**

Board representative R. Fisher provided an update on recent CLC items:

- A Pathways 2 Sustainability – Flourishing Rural Economies Conference is being held November 8-10, 2015.

Enrolments

Superintendent K. Sacher reviewed Division enrolments as of October 30, 2015. A copy of the enrolments were distributed at the meeting.

Correspondence

Acting Chair R. Fisher reviewed the following correspondence items:

- A thank you card from David Brown for receiving the Exceptional Accomplishment Scholarship was distributed at the meeting. Superintendent K. Sacher provided background information regarding the scholarship.
- A thank you card from Denise Miller for the long service award was distributed at the meeting.
- A letter from Alberta Infrastructure Executive Director W. Roy Roth, dated October 20, 2015 was provided for review. The commemorative plaque for Penhold Crossing Secondary School was received with the letter.

Trip Requests

Superintendent K. Sacher reviewed the following school trip requests:

- A request from Olds High School for an out of country band trip to Seattle, Washington April 28 to May 2, 2016.

Resolution #20151105044

Moved By: T. James

Motion that Chinook's Edge School Division No. 73 Board of Education approve in principle, the trip request from Olds High School for an out of country trip to Seattle, Washington April 28 to May 2, 2016.

Carried

- A request from Delburne School for an out of country trip to Germany, France and the Netherlands from April 6-16, 2017.

Resolution #20151105046

Moved By: G. Kerr

Motion that Chinook's Edge School Division No. 73 Board of Education approve in principle, the trip request from Delburne School for an out of country trip to Germany, France and the Netherlands from April 6-16, 2017.

Carried

Trustee Remuneration and Expenses

Acting Chair R. Fisher called for the Trustee remuneration and expense forms for October.

Alberta School Boards Association

Board representative H. Bilton provided an update on recent ASBA items:

- An update was provided from the October 26th ASBA Zone 4 meeting. Trustee Bilton reported that each zone will be presenting for 5-7 minutes at the Annual General Meeting. As requested, Superintendent K. Sacher will send Trustee Bilton the size of the Division for inclusion into the presentation.
- The next ASBA Zone 4 meeting is being held in Wetaskiwin on November 23rd at 10:00 a.m. Please let D. MacIsaac know if you are planning to attend.
- The ASBA Fall General Meeting is being held November 15-17, 2015 at the Westin Hotel in Edmonton. A letter from Scott McCormack as well as the ASBA Policies Bulletin and ASBA Governance Handbook were provided for review. Trustees were asked to have these documents available if they are attending the meeting. The Trustees discussed the proposed policy positions and emergent items in preparation for the meeting:
 - Self-identification for First Nations, Metis or Inuit students – The Trustees were in general agreement to support the proposed policy.
 - Curriculum content – consent – Concerns were expressed regarding recommending the change to curriculum. Superintendent K. Sacher will obtain the opinion of Associate Superintendent Student Services W. Christensen and share it with the Trustees.
 - ASBA Provincial Bargaining Unit – The Trustees agreed to hear

the discussion before making a decision.

- A letter from Wolf Creek Public Schools, dated October 2, 2015 in support for the continuance of Mr. Feehan as the ASBA parliamentarian was provided for review.

**Public School
Boards
Association**

Trustee S. Ball provided an update PSBA items:

- An update was provided from the PSBA Fall Events held October 21 to 23, 2015. Positive comments were shared. Trustee T. James reported that the event will be held at the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel next year.
- The Public School Board Council meeting is being held November 13-14, 2015 at the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel West Edmonton. Trustee S. Cooper and Trustee S. Ball are attending.

**Canadian School
Boards
Association**

CSBA 2016 is being held in Winnipeg, Manitoba in July 2016.

**National School
Boards
Association**

NSBA is being held in Boston April 9-11, 2016. Trustee S. Ball indicated that he may be attending.

**Meeting
Evaluation**

The Trustees shared positive comments regarding the meeting. Trustee C. Huelsman will provide the evaluation at the next meeting.

Adjourned

Resolution #20151105053

Moved By: G. Kerr

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:34 a.m.

Carried

C. Butler - Chair

R. Fisher - Vice Chair

S. Russell - Corporate Secretary