

**PUBLIC MINUTES OF THE IN-CAMERA MEETING OF  
THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF  
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 85 (VANCOUVER ISLAND NORTH)**

**May 8, 2017**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

The meeting was called to order by, Leightan Wishart, Chairperson of the Board of Education, at the North Island Secondary School Learning Commons, Port McNeill, B.C. at 4:15 p.m. with the following in attendance:

Jeff Field, Trustee  
Eric Hunter, Trustee  
Werner Manke, Trustee  
Carol Prescott, Trustee  
Danita Schmidt, Trustee  
Lyn Skrlac, Trustee

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**APPROVAL OF  
MINUTES  
24/17**

Hunter/Skrlac:  
That the minutes of the in-camera meeting of April 10, 2017 be adopted as circulated.

**CARRIED**

**APPROVAL OF  
PUBLIC MINUTES  
25/17**

Field/Skrlac:  
That the minutes of the in-camera meeting of April 10, 2017 be adopted as circulated.

**CARRIED**

**CHANGES TO THE  
AGENDA**

Delete "Personnel" from the Superintendent's Report.

**ADOPTION OF THE  
AGENDA  
26/17**

Hunter/Schmidt:  
That the in-camera agenda be adopted as amended.

**CARRIED**

**EXCLUDED PRF  
#05/17  
27/17**

Schmidt/Field:  
That the Excluded P.R.F. #05/17 be adopted as circulated.

**CARRIED**

**RECOGNITION OF  
SERVICE**

Acting Superintendent of Schools Carol Robertson informed the Board that a listing of employees to be recognized this June is in the agenda package. Ms. Robertson invited trustees to contact their local schools to see what type of recognition would be occurring and how the trustees could be included.

**AUSTRALIAN  
SYMPOSIUM  
REQUEST**

Acting Superintendent Carol Robertson informed the Board that an administrator had been invited by QASSP to present at a symposium in Coolangatta, Australia on September 7 to 10, 2017. The administrator has prepared a plan to cover his absence and he will utilize personal days and his pro-d funding. Ms. Robertson recommended approval of his attendance.

**28/17** Prescott/Skrlac:  
That the administrator's attendance at the QASSP Symposium in September be approved, in accordance with the plan he presented to the Superintendent.

**CARRIED**

**CUPE PRF #05/17** There was no CUPE P.R.F.

**GRIEVANCE UPDATES** There were no new CUPE grievances. The Board is now in receipt of an arbitration award that upheld a CUPE grievance regarding dismissal of an employee. The parties are working on potential remedies.

**BUDGET** Secretary Treasurer John Martin reported that a lot of time is being spent on teacher staffing. He noted the good working relationship with VINTA. We are trying to have minimal impact on the staff and we are avoiding layoffs where possible.

**VINTA PRF #05/17 29/17** Schmidt/Hunter:  
That the VINTA P.R.F. #05/17 be adopted as circulated.

**CARRIED**

**GRIEVANCE UPDATES** Acting Director of Instruction Kathy Bedard reported on four VINTA grievances, three of which have been withdrawn.

**STAFFING** Ms. Bedard reported on 25 new postings that total 19.59 FTE. About 14 of the new positions were funded by the Classroom Enhancement Fund.

**NON-NEIGHBOURHOOD REQUEST 30/17** Field/Schmidt:  
That the two separate non-neighbourhood parent requests involving a total of three students wishing to attend Fort Rupert Elementary School in September, be approved.

**CARRIED**

**ADJOURNMENT 31/17** Schmidt:  
That the in-camera meeting of May 8, 2017 be adjourned (4:57 p.m.).

**CARRIED**

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Chairperson of the Board

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Secretary-Treasurer