

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

April 11, 2022
3:00 pm

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order by, Leightan Wishart, Chairperson of the Board of Education, at the School Board Office, Port Hardy, B.C. at 3:00 pm with the following in attendance:

Leightan Wishart, Chair
Jeff Field, Vice-Chair
Paul Cann, Trustee
Leanne Farrell, Trustee
Lawrie Garrett, Trustee
Eric Hunter, Trustee
Carol Prescott, Trustee

**APPROVAL OF
MINUTES
15/22**

Hunter/Garrett:
That the minutes of the in-camera meeting of March 14, 2022 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

**APPROVAL OF PUBLIC
MINUTES
16/22**

Hunter/Garrett:
That the public minutes of the in-camera meeting of March 14, 2022 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

**ADDITIONS TO THE
AGENDA**

Superintendent/Letter of Request
Superintendent/VINTA Update
Secretary Treasurer/Election Costs Sharing Agreement
Secretary Treasurer/Appointment of the Chief Electoral Officer
Assistant Superintendent/Field Trips

**ADOPTION OF THE
AGENDA
17/22**

Prescott/Farrell:
That the in-camera agenda be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

EXCLUDED PRF #03/22

No Excluded P.R.F. #03/22

REQUEST LETTER

Christina MacDonald reviewed a community group request to use the NISS gymnasium for a fundraising event. The group has requested a waiver of the rental fees. The request to waive the rental fees will be dealt with at the regular board meeting.

VINTA UPDATE

Superintendent Christina MacDonald met with the local VINTA President recently to discuss various concerns and there is a commitment to meet on a monthly basis in the future.

**CUPE PRF #03/22
18/22**

Hunter/Field:
That the CUPE P.R.F. #03/22 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

CUPE GRIEVANCE UPDATE Secretary Treasurer John Martin reported no new grievances at this time.

ELECTION COST SHARING AGREEMENT 19/22 Secretary Treasurer John Martin reviewed the draft Election Cost Sharing Agreement with RDMW.
Farrell/Prescott:
That the Election Cost Sharing Agreement with RDMW be accepted and approved.

CARRIED

APPOINTMENT OF THE CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER 20/22 Secretary Treasurer John Martin requested approval for the appointment of a new Chief Electoral Officer for the school district.
Prescott/Garrett:
That the appointment of the Chief Electoral Officer be approved.

CARRIED

VINTA PRF #03/22 21/22 Hunter/Prescott:
That the VINTA P.R.F. #03/22 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

VINTA GRIEVANCE UPDATE Assistant Superintendent Rena Sweeney reported six new grievances since the last meeting.

RATIFICATION OF LMA (LOCAL MATTERS AGREEMENT) 22/22 Assistant Superintendent Rena Sweeney requested the Board ratify the Local Matters Agreement previously distributed.
Field/Farrell:
That the board approve the Local Matters Agreement.

CARRIED

STAFFING UPDATES Assistant Superintendent Rena Sweeney reported that there are currently 6.70 FTE unfilled postings.

We are working with students from UBC who will be coming to our district in May and June for their placements. Two students from VIU have reached out and are interested in coming to SD85 for their placements in May and June.

The process for staffing for next year has started. We are currently looking at enrollment and teachers are informing us of their intentions for next year. The medical homebound position will no longer be a position for the next school year.

FIELD TRIPS Assistant Superintendent Rena Sweeney reviewed field trip applications as follows:

The forestry program has returned and is working with Strategic. Trips will include the community forest at Marble River, tree planting at Bonanza, the dry land sort in Beaver Cove and a wildfire reduction list, which have all had pre-approval.

The restrictions have been lifted at Camp Homewood and all grade 7 students in the district will be going.

PHSS is submitting a request to take the Galtam canoe out. The canoe will be inspected prior to approval.

AJES has two field trips planned this spring with McKay Whale Watching that have been pre-approved.

SES grade 6 and 7 students have applied for a high risk field trip to go to Link River Campground. They do not have a staff member that has lifeguard certification so there will be no swimming. They would like students to go out on a motorized boat to go fishing. The high risk field trip request will be brought forward to the regular board meeting for approval.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business.

**ADJOURNMENT
23/22**

Prescott:
That the in-camera meeting of April 11, 2022 be adjourned (3:44 pm).

CARRIED

Chairperson of the Board

Secretary Treasurer