

RAINBOW DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

**Minutes of the
POLICY & FINANCE MEETING**

on Monday June 13, 2011 at 5:30 p.m.

Present: Trustees: D. Dewar (chair), T. Campbell, B. Clement, J.Hunda
L. Killens, D. Morrison (via phone), R. Kirwan, G.Santala

Absent: G. Fox, Student Trustee S. Boyd

Officials: N. Blaseg – Director of Education
S. Speir, A. Della Penta, L. Dye, B. Bourget

Staff: M. Egan, N. Charette, B. Webb, Rod MacLeod,
K. Kozman, N. Mihelchic, S. Acroyd

A. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA** *Chair

Motion: J.Hunda/D.Morrison

That the agenda for the Policy & Finance Committee meeting for June 13, 2011 be approved as amended. The amendment being the addition of an update of the renovations to Algonquin Road PS. - **Carried**

B. **PRELIMINARY DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST** NIL *Chair

C. **REPORT FROM THE IN-CAMERA POLICY AND FINANCE**

D. **OLD BUSINESS**

1. **Minutes** *Chair

Motion: G. Santala/L.Killens

That the minutes of the Policy and Finance Committee meeting held on June 6, 2011 be approved. – **Carried**

2. **Algonquin Road PS Update**

Nathalie Mihelic and Sandi Acroyd presented updates to the construction and renovations to Algonquin Road PS.

3. **2011/12 Budget**

Motion: T. Campbell/B. Clement

That the Rainbow District School Board 2011/12 budget be recommended to the Board for approval. – **Carried**

Trustee Killens asked about \$92,000 reduction in plant. Director Blaseg said the plant department is able to find those efficiencies with different products etc. Trustee Killens expressed concerns about emergencies. Trustee Campbell said this is a 3% reduction therefore he is not concerned and doesn't believe its excessive. Trustee

Kirwan was concerned that he doesn't know what the budget lines are. Would like to see a breakdown. Would like to see spending by end of April or May to see if there is surplus or deficit.

Director Blaseg answered a query re unfunded JK allocation. He provided FTEs numbers from HR. 14 FTEs for this year.

Director Blaseg was asked to comment on special education budget specifically whether the Board can go outside the funding envelope. He clarified that surpluses must stay within the envelope.

Trustees discussed the reduction in the mileage rate.

E. NEW BUSINESS

1. First Nations Metis and Inuit Data
Superintendent Sharon Speir and Principal Kathy Dokis Ranney presented data surrounding FMNI students in Rainbow Schools.
2. Finance – NIL
3. Policy
 - a) Motion: D.Morrison/J.Hunda
That Policy and Operational Procedure Interview Structure for Principals and Vice-Principals be recommended to the Board as a Notice of Motion. - **Carried**

Motion: J.Hunda/G.Santala
That the words chair of the board be changed to a trustee. - **Defeated**

Motion: R. Kirwan/B. Clement
That the words Chair of the board or designate be deleted. - **Defeated**
 - b) Motion: D.Morrison/T.Campbell
That changes to Governance Bylaws section 14 be recommended to the Board as a Notice of Motion. – **Carried**

F. FUTURE ITEMS

Policy 5.07 Interviewing Committee Structure for Management Positions
Standing Committees review
Governance Bylaws
Policy 6.05 Fees, Fundraising
Social Media Policy

G. TRUSTEES' REMARKS

Trustee Hunda asked the Director about the Princess Anne open house on June 20 and why the trustees were not notified or invited. She also expressed a concern re

trustee mail received late when invitations to events have expired. She requested that schools call or email.

Trustee Killens advised that he and Bob Clement attended the aboriginal awards at the Caruso Club in support of Kathy Dokis Ranney.

H. **FUTURE MEETINGS**

September 13, 2011

October 11, 2011

November 8, 2011

December 6, 2011

January 17, 2012

February 14, 2012

March 6, 2012

April 10, 2012

May 8, 2012

May 15, 2012 (budget)

June 12, 2012

I. **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion: L. Killen/T. Campbell

That the meeting be adjourned (7:30 pm). - **Carried**