

RAINBOW DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD
MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
held in the boardroom
on Wednesday, May 23, 2012 at 4:30 p.m.

Present: Trustees: D.Dewar - Chair, T. Campbell, B. Clement, G. Fox, J.Hunda,
L.Killens, R. Kirwan, D. Morrison, G. Santala,
Student Trustee O. Amaratunga

Officials: N. Blaseg - Director
D.Cayen-Arnold – Superintendent of Business
B. Bourget, L. Dye, S. Speir – Superintendents
M. Egan, N. Charette, N. Mihelchic,

Others: M. Walton, L. St. Amand, N. Michelchic, S. Acroyd, members of
the public

A. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: 12-R97, D.Morrison/G.Santala

That the agenda for the Regular Board meeting of May 23, 2012 be approved as amended. The amendment being the removal of item E 2d). - **Carried**

B. PRELIMINARY DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST NIL

C. PRESENTATIONS

MacLeod PS Architectural drawings. Manager of Facilities Nathalie Mihelchic and Assistant Manager Sandi Acroyd presented the design of the new MacLeod school.

D. REPORT FROM THE IN-CAMERA COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING OF THE BOARD

Motion: 12-R98, G.Santala/B. Clement

That the Staff Changes as outlined on pages A-4 of the agenda be received as amended. The amendment being the addition of the retirement of Wayne Murdock effective June 2013. - **Carried**

Motion: 12-R99, D.Morrison/J.Hunda

That the offer to purchase Warren PS be approved. - **Carried**

E. OLD BUSINESS

1. Previous Minutes

Motion: 12-R100, D.Morrison/J.Hunda

That the minutes of the Board meeting held on April 24, 2012 be approved. - **Carried**

2. **Tenders**

a) Motion: 12-R101, D.Morrison/J.Hunda

That the Board award the contract for partial roof replacement at Northeastern Elementary School to Semple-Gooder Northern Limited for \$306,459. -**Carried**

b) Motion: 12-R102, J.Hunda/D.Morrison

That the Board award the contract for partial roof replacement at Lo-Ellen Park Secondary School to Douro Roofing & Sheet Metal Contractors Ltd. for \$431,600. – **Carried**

c) Motion: 12-R103, G.Santala/B.Clement

That the Board award the contract for partial roof replacement at Lively District Secondary School to Damisona Roofing Ltd. for \$298,000. -**Carried**

3. **Reports and Recommendations from Board Committees**

a) Motion: 12-R104, D.Morrison/G.Fox

That changes to Governance Bylaw 8 Board Members' Code of Ethics/Conduct be approved. - **Carried**

Amendment: L.Killens/R.Kirwan

When individual trustees express their opinions in public they must make it clear they are not speaking on behalf of the Board. - **Defeated**

b) Motion: 12-R105, D. Morrison/B.Clement

That changes to Governance Bylaw 9 Breach of Ethics/Conduct be approved. - **Carried**

Trustee Kirwan requested a poll vote.

Poll Vote Results: Carried

Tyler Campbell: In Favour

Bob Clement: In Favour

Doreen Dewar: In Favour

Judy Hunda: In Favour

Grace Fox: In Favour

Larry Killens: Opposed

Robert Kirwan: Opposed

Dena Morrison: In Favour

Gord Santala: In Favour

Amendment: L.Killens/R.Kirwan

To 9.10.01 "This does not preclude the request of an agenda and minutes in writing of the meeting. - **Defeated**

Amendment: L.Killens/R.Kirwan

To 9.14.01 The Trustee who is alleged to have breached the Code of Conduct may be present **and participate in the deliberations** ~~regarding the above but shall not participate in the deliberations and shall not be required to answer any quesitons at that meeting.~~ - **Defeated**

F. NEW BUSINESS

1. Special Education Plan 2012/13

Superintendent Speir reviewed the data that will be included in the Special Education Plan for 2012-13.

Motion: 12-R106, D. Morrison/G.Fox

That the amendments to the Special Education Plan be approved. - **Carried**

6. Requests for Leave of Absence NIL

7. Trustees' Remarks/Questions

Trustee Morrison reported attending various events at schools including Churchill's "Walk for Hospice" and Northeastern Elementary's awareness day for exceptional students.

Trustee Fox expressed her gratitude to the Board for the FNAC and the implementation of the aboriginal framework. She once again thanked Superintendent Speir and Principal Ranney for their work in the schools. Trustee Fox invited all trustees to attend the Education Service Agreement Signing between First Nations and Rainbow District School Board will be at the United Chiefs and Councils office on June 25.

Trustee Hunda thanked staff for their work in the Welcome to Kindergarten initiative. She also accompanied students to Theatre Cambrian's production of Happy Days.

Trustee Kirwan said that this was his second request for the month to month, year to year expenditure report that the Director receives but declined to place the request in the form of a motion.

8. Chairperson's Remarks

The four students from Rainbow Schools who attended the Canada-Wide Science Fair in Prince Edward Island last week came back with awards. Helen Czapor of R. L. Beattie Public School won Silver; Lauren Wood of R.L. Beattie Public School, Megan Gran of Algonquin Road Public School, and John Laamanen of Algonquin Road Public School received Bronze awards. Congratulations!

Two students from Rainbow Schools captured top honours at the 2012 Concours de français. Clare Lindon of Lockerby Composite School and Katrina Tisdale of Lo-Ellen Park Secondary School won tuition to Laurentian University for one year.

“Sudbury: A great place to race”, by Grade 6 student Riley Ransom of MacLeod Public School, is one of two projects that will be showcased at the Provincial Heritage Fair in Toronto on June 10 & 11.

Chelmsford Public School, as the runner-up in the "Ugliest School Yard Contest", will receive total of \$20,000 toward regreening the schoolyard.

Mark your Calendars:

Carl A Nesbitt - May 26th from 10:30 am to 1:30 pm - yard Sale and pick up your rainbarrels (ORDER NOW).

Sudbury Secondary - Thursday, May 31st at 6 pm - helping youth and parents recognize the signs of mental health problems

Board Website - Summer School Registration

Southridge Mall - Thursday, June 7th, Grade 7 and 8 students showcase their innovative businesses.

Another month of outstanding commitment of Rainbow District School Board staff has resulted in many success stories throughout our Board. A heartfelt “thank you” is extended to each and every employee who has put student needs first.

With the gardening season upon us, I would like to share a Robert Louis Stevenson phrase: “Don’t judge each day by the harvest you reap but by the seeds that you plant.” Thank you.

9. **Director’s Remarks**

Director Blaseg updated the Board on recent transportation issues.

Director Blaseg reported with regret the death of Confederation student Alyssa Jobidon.

Director Blaseg advised that this was the second week of a pilot project with the Sudbury Health Unit and Good Life Fitness at Lansdowne and Princess Anne schools. This project encourages good nutrition and personal fitness.

10. **Other Items**

OPSBA Delegate. Trustee Killens asked trustees to forward to him any items they wish him to bring to the AGM in ThunderBay.

Student Trustee. Student Trustee Amaratunga announced that Michael Niven from Manitoulin Secondary will be the 2012/13 Student Trustee. She advised that she presented the “Bottled water free zones” to the Environmental Education committee, where it was unanimously endorsed and recommended to the Board for approval.

G. **INFORMATION AND PROPOSALS**

1. **Reports from Officials and Staff**

*Chair

2. **Non-Staff Communications**
Correspondence from Niagara Catholic DSB

H. **FUTURE MEETINGS**

*Chair

SEAC	- June 6, 12:00 pm Gord Ewin Centre
Policy and Finance	- June 12, 5:00 pm Boardroom
Student Senate Meeting	- June 18, 5:00 pm Boardroom
Board Agenda Setting	- June 19, 2:00 pm Director's Office
Board Meeting	- July 3, 5:00 pm Boardroom

I. **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion: 12-R107, D.Morrison/B.Clement

That we do now adjourn at 6:05 pm - **Carried**