

**RAINBOW DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD**  
**MINUTES OF THE**  
**REGULAR BOARD MEETING**  
held in the boardroom  
on Wednesday, May 27, 2015 at 5:35 p.m.

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Present: Trustees: D. Dewar (chair), B. Clement, J. Hunda, L. Killens, J. Kosmerly,  
G. Santala, Student Trustee Brunton  
Absent: T. Campbell, G. Fox, D. Morrison  
Officials: N. Blaseg – Director  
D. Cayen-Arnold – Superintendent of Business  
B. Bourget, L. Dye, J. Noble - Superintendents of Education  
K. Wachnuk - Senior Administrator, Special Education  
N. Charette, H. Thirkill  
Others: D. Bazinet, R. MacLeod, N. Mousseau, Bev Webb and  
members of the public

**A. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion: 15-R77, J.Kosmerly/G.Santala

That the agenda for the Regular Board meeting of May 27, 2015 be approved.  
– **Carried**

**B. PRELIMINARY DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

Trustee Santala declared a conflict regarding item D2 on the agenda.

**C. PRESENTATIONS**

1. Concussions

Superintendent Bourget referred to the Concussion Board Report and provided information about the identification and on-going management of a student with a concussion.

2. Ryan's Law

Senior Administrator Kathy Wachnuk referred to the Board Report regarding Bill 20: Ryan's Law – Ensuring Asthma Friendly Schools 2015. A new asthma procedure will be created effective September 8, 2015.

3. Multi Year Strategic Plan (MYSP)

Director Blaseg provided an update of the 2014-2015 Multi Year Strategic Plan.

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

1. Motion: 15-W78, G.Santala/J.Hunda

That the human resources update be received. - **Carried**

2. Report from Labour Relations Committee

Motion: 15-W79, B.Clement/J.Hunda

That the Board approve the amended 2014-2015 School Year Structure for secondary schools as recommended by the Labour Relations Committee.

– **Carried**

**E. OLD BUSINESS**

**1. Previous Minutes**

Motion: 15-R80, J.Kosmerly/G.Santala

That the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on April 28, 2015 be approved.

– **Carried**

**2. Motion: 15-R81, J.Hunda/B.Clement**

That the minutes of the Special Board Meeting – Budget held on May 19, 2015 be approved. – **Carried**

**3. Tenders/Requests for Proposals**

**a) Motion: 15-R82, G.Santala/J.Kosmerly**

That the Board award the contract for Confederation Secondary School - Parking Lot Drainage Improvements to Interpaving Limited for \$224,766.32. – **Carried**

**b) Motion: 15-R83, J.Hunda/J.Kosmerly**

That the Board award the contract for Algonquin Public School - Partial Re-Roofing to Semple-Gooder Northern Ltd. for \$179,311. – **Carried**

**c) Motion: 15-R84, J.Kosmerly/ G.Santala**

That the Board award the contract for Lockerby Composite School - Partial Re-Roofing to Douro Roofing and Sheet Metal Contractors Ltd. for \$542,700.

– **Carried**

**d) Motion: 15-R85, J.Hunda/B.Clement**

That the Board award the contract for Sudbury Secondary School - Partial Re-Roofing to Flynn Canada Ltd. for \$390,950. – **Carried**

**e) Motion: 15-R86, J.Kosmerly/B.Clement**

That the Board award the contract for supply of Custodial Supplies to Weber Supply Company Inc. – **Carried**

**f) Motion: 15-R87, G.Santala/J.Kosmerly**

That the Board award the contract for supply of Internet Bandwidth Services to 768812 Ontario Inc. o/a Vianet. – **Carried**

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

Motion: 15-R88, B.Clement/J.Hunda

That the addition and renovations to Alexander Public School be approved.

– **Carried**

Superintendent Cayen-Arnold replied to Trustee Santala's question from the May 12, 2015 Strategic Planning Committee meeting regarding the projected enrolment for Alexander Public School. The current enrolment at Alexander Public School is 284. The new capacity after the renovation will be 320. Projected 5-year enrolment is 286.

**F. NEW BUSINESS**

**1. Requests for Leave of Absence**

Motion: 15-R89, J.Kosmerly/J.Hunda

That Trustee Campbell, Trustee Fox and Trustee Morrison be granted a leave of absence from the May 27, 2015 Board meeting. – **Carried**

**2. Canadian School Board Association (CSBA) Congress 2015**

Motion: 15-R90, J.Hunda/ J.Kosmerly

That the Board approve the attendance of Trustee Campbell, Trustee Clement and Trustee Hunda at the CSBA Congress 2015 in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, July 2 – 4, 2015. – **Carried**

**3. Director's Remarks**

Reminder to all that secondary graduations will begin the first week of June. Some have been moved to alternate sites, however they will all go forward. Principals, along with parents and administration will be doing their utmost to facilitate grads to ensure all students have their graduation experience. A reminder to trustees that many schools will have common graduation dates and times so it is recommended they review and confirm their availability. Heather will follow up and create a master schedule.

There are a number of pow-wows scheduled over the next few weeks notably Princess Anne Public School on Friday, June 5 and Lansdowne Public School on Thursday, June 11, 2015. I invite trustees to attend these events, as they truly are school/community events with multiple stakeholders playing significant roles and making these days rich with opportunities to develop tradition and enhance cultural awareness.

Monday, June 15<sup>th</sup> is the challenge meet. Again I invite all trustees to attend this track and field day that hosts a large number of students with special needs. It is without fail the most rewarding and inspiring track and field event on the calendar.

Finally I want to acknowledge all administration and executive council for their outstanding effort over the last few days. With the Ontario Labour Relations board (OLRB) decision announced at 5:45 pm last night, this crew worked extremely hard

to facilitate the return of our students. Their professionalism, commitment and work ethic is second to none. From arranging bussing, signage, rearranging educational assistant and custodial work locations, contacting principals, etc...everything required was attended too. By all accounts the fruits of their labour were realized and our students were back in the classroom.

Itinerary

- April 29 - Exec Council  
Police Chief's Youth Initiative – luncheon, Caruso Club  
C.C. McLean PS, School Council Presentation
- April 30 - MacLeod PS, School visit
- May 5 - Budget Deliberations, Exec Council  
Parent Involvement Committee - Presentation
- May 6 - Executive Council  
Jean Hanson PS - Black Light Theatre  
SEAC meeting  
Discipline Committee Meeting
- May 7 - Exec Council meeting
- May 11- Elementary Teacher Meeting re: Mindfulness proposal  
Agenda Setting
- May 12 - Labour Relations Committee meeting  
Strategic Planning Committee meeting
- May 13 - Ministry of Education, Budget meeting
- May 14 - OPSEU meeting
- May 19 - Board meeting, Budget
- May 20 - Executive Council  
Eligibility Pool interview
- May 21 - Graduation - Cecil Facer
- May 25 - Meeting, Principal  
Agenda Setting
- May 26 - Exec Council – Emergency meeting
- May 27 - Executive Council

4. **Trustees' Remarks/Questions** NIL

5. **Chairperson's Remarks**

Rainbow Board students continue to achieve excellence in a wide variety of endeavours. Education is alive and well and living in Rainbow schools.

At the Canada-Wide Science Fair held in Fredericton, New Brunswick in May, two students from Rainbow Schools captured bronze medals.

Alyssa Gran, a Grade 8 student from Algonquin Road Public School, looked for ways to mitigate the effects of cancer-causing radon gas penetration into residential and/or commercial properties.

Mia Pandolfo, a Grade 12 student from Lockerby Composite School, developed a smartphone application that allows pediatric patients to track and record chronic pain episodes.

Two Rainbow District School Board elementary schools competed at MusicFest Canada held in Toronto on May 15, 2015 and came home with top honours.

The Lively District Secondary School Grade 7 Band won Gold. The Lively District Secondary School Grade 8 Band won Silver. Both bands are under the leadership of teacher Cory Ross.

The Pinecrest Public School Concert Band directed by teacher Cathy Comartin. won Silver.

The N'Swakamok Native Alternative School will hold a reunion to celebrate its 25th anniversary on Saturday, June 13th, 2015 from 11 am to 3 pm. All former students, teachers and staff are invited to join the celebration.

Rainbow District School Board will host Jeremy Dias from June 1 to 3, 2015 as it continues to focus on equity and inclusive education. This is Jeremy Dias' fifth visit to Rainbow Schools in Sudbury, Espanola and Manitoulin.

The public is invited to support young entrepreneurs at the Rainbow District School Board Entrepreneur Fair in the R.L. Beattie Public School gym on June 4, 2015. Approximately 40 innovative businesses will be on display as students from Rainbow Schools sell their products and services from 10 am to 1:30 pm. Awards will be presented at 1:30 pm.

Tonight's quote is from entertainer Robert Orben "A graduation ceremony is an event where the commencement speaker tells thousands of students dressed in identical caps and gowns that 'individuality' is the key to success."

6. **Other Items**

**OPSBA Delegate – NIL**

**Student Trustee –** Student Trustee Brunton and Student Trustee for the 2015-2016 school year Ethan Urban recently attended the OSTA AGM conference in Toronto. Trustee Brunton provided information about discussions regarding OSTA and FESFO (Federation of the Franco-Ontarian Youth). Trustee Brunton informed that he felt that this would be a big part of OSTA meetings next year as there was much discussion about whether or not francophone student trustees would continue as part of OSTA.

**G. INFORMATION AND PROPOSALS**

1. **Reports from Officials and Staff**

Parent Involvement Committee minutes February 17, 2015 (official)

Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) minutes April 1, 2015 (official)

2. **Non-Staff Communications**

Letter from Liz Sandals, Minister of Education

**H. FUTURE MEETINGS**

Special Education Advisory Committee June 3, 2015 12:00 pm Ed Centre

Strategic Planning Committee June 9, 2015 5:00 pm Boardroom

AODA meeting Monday, June 15, 2015 1:00 pm Boardroom

Board Tuesday, June 30, 2015 5:00 pm Boardroom

**I. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion: 15-R91, J.Kosmerly/B.Clement

That we now adjourn at 6:55 p.m. – **Carried.**