



Coast Mountains Board of Education School District 82  
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 District Principal  
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**Next Regular Board Meeting:**  
**Wednesday, October 25, 2023**  
**5:00 p.m., Hybrid Meeting**  
**Board Office, Terrace**

Further information on meeting proceedings can be obtained by contacting the School Board Administration Office at (250) 638-4401 or access the district website at <https://cmsd.bc.ca>.

**“HIGHLIGHTS”**

**Board of Education Regular (Public) Meeting  
 Held Wednesday, September 27, 2023 - 5:00 p.m. – Hybrid Meeting**

The meeting was called to order acknowledging the school district’s business being conducted on the traditional territories of the Gitksan, Haisla, Nisga’a, Ts’mysen and Lheidli T’enneh Peoples noting that Trustees Duncan-Green and Sundell were attending the meeting from Kitimat and Prince George respectively. Board Chair Warcup thanked staff and guests for joining the meeting in person and virtually which was also livestreamed via CMSD82’s YouTube Channel.

Board Chair Warcup shared the start of the new school year was smooth, however, a busy start-up with staff and students returning to welcoming, safe and inclusive schools. September is a month of getting to know one another – students, staff and parents/guardians – in an effort to build meaningful relationships and establishing a sense of community within classrooms and schools.



Trustees and District staff recognized and showed their support for Truth & Reconciliation Week 2023 and September 30 National Day for Truth & Reconciliation and Orange Shirt Day. By wearing an orange shirt on this day, you commit to the enduring truth that EVERY CHILD MATTERS, every day and everywhere. A video was presented that was produced and first shared by the Orange Shirt Society two years ago in September 2021 sharing the story of Phyllis Webstad of her orange shirt.

Phyllis’ story has inspired Orange Shirt Day (now in its 10th year), a national movement to remember and honour First Nation, Metis and Inuit children who attended Canada’s Residential School System, including the thousands who never returned home.

Trustees addressed the following agenda items during the meeting:

- Approved the Amended Trustee School Liaison Rationale, Purpose & Parameters Agreement.
- Received the Board’s response letter to the Skeena Valley Seniors Society’s Expression of Interest regarding the former Kiti K’Shan School located in Terrace for senior housing.
- Received the Superintendent of School’s monthly report for September 2023.
- Received the Indigenous Education Report for September 2023.
- Received the minutes for the Business Committee Meeting held September 20, 2023.
- Approved the 2022-2023 Audited Financial Statements and received the 2022-2023 School Year Financial Statement Discussion & Analysis Report.
- Approved the request to the Minister of Education and Child Care to carry forward \$415,680 surplus in Indigenous Education targeted funds to the 2023-2024 fiscal year.
- Received policies for first reading: Revised Policy 5010 Trustee Code of Ethics, Revised Policy 5015 Communication & Consultation with the Public and New Policy 5035 Trustee Conflict of Interest.
- Received the minutes for the Education Committee Meeting held September 20, 2023.
- Approved the 2022-2023 Enhancing Student Learning Report for submission to the Ministry of Education and Child Care by September 30, 2023.
- Received for information the 2023-2024 Action Plan Commitments in support of the Board’s 2022-2027 Strategic Plan.
- Received for information the 2023-2024 Annual Board Work Plan and Trustee Onboarding Schedule.
- Received the Board Chair Report for September 2023.
- There were no Trustee Reports shared.
- A brief Question Period took place with an inquiry whether Reconciliation Training is offered by the school district for parents and staff as referenced in the meeting minutes.

Access the following link to view the [September 27 Regular \(Public\) Board Meeting Recording](#).