# REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT 82 (COAST MOUNTAINS)

# WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18, 2025 – 5:00 P.M. BOARD OF EDUCATION OFFICE HYBRID MEETING (IN PERSON OR VIRTUAL)

PRESENT WERE: Chair - M. Warcup

- E. Harrison

- W. Jones

Vice Chair - K. Jonkman

- A. Maitland - M. Maxim

(virtual) - M. Maxim (virtual) - J. Sundell

Superintendent of Schools - T. MacMillan
Secretary Treasurer - G. Fuller
Recording Secretary - C. Gagnon

#### **DISTRICT STAFF PRESENT:**

Director of Instruction, Learning Services - P. Barron
Director of Human Resources - K. Bath
Director of Facility Services - R. Schibli
District Principal, Curriculum Support - T. McDonald

Board Chair Warcup acknowledged with respect the school district's business being conducted on the unceded traditional territories of the Gitxsan, Haisla, Nisga'a and Ts'msyen Peoples noting Trustees Mike Maxim and Julia Sundell attended virtually from Terrace and Prince George respectively. We are honoured to work with their children and privileged to live on these lands.

Board Chair Warcup welcomed guests who joined the meeting both in person and virtually. The meeting was also livestreamed via CMSD82's YouTube Channel. Introductions followed by Trustees and District staff in attendance at the meeting.

Board Chair Warcup acknowledged and recognized the following events held during the month of June:

- June is Indigenous History Month, a time to celebrate the diverse cultures, achievements and resilience of First Nations, Metis and Inuit peoples. Let's continue to listen and learn from their stories and histories as we collectively embrace Reconciliation.
- National Indigenous Peoples Day is recognized annually on June 21, a time to celebrate the diverse cultures, histories, experiences, voices and accomplishments of First Nations, Metis and Inuit peoples. In Coast Mountains School District, many events are planned at the school level through the week leading up to June 21, supported and facilitated by members of the Indigenous Education Department, Elders, Knowledge Holders and other Indigenous partners.

Coast Mountains' school communities will be celebrating on National Indigenous Peoples Day, many with the support of Elders, Knowledge Holders, Matriarchs and others from local Nations and partner groups. Thank you to all those involved in making this a joyful week and day of learning and cultural appreciation for the students, families and staff of Coast Mountains School District.

June is Pride Month and Coast Mountains School District is bringing awareness to the LGBTQ2S+ community. During Pride Month we celebrate the diversity within gender identity, gender expression and sexual orientation as we strive to create safe, inclusive and welcoming space for all learners! In CMSD, we will continue to work as an organization to develop and implement our inclusion, equity, diversity and anti-racism plans.

Board Chair Warcup shared as the school year winds down with our last day of school on June 24, the Board looks forward to congratulating our 2025 Graduating Classes including the School Celebrations, Employee Service Awards and Retirements to be held throughout the school district. We wish our staff and students a well-deserved enjoyable and safe Summer Holidays!

Prior to the start of the meeting, a Student Voice presentation was provided for Trustees' information. Board Chair Warcup was pleased to welcome and introduce Director Phillip Barron to present the Student Voice presentation.

The following reminder was shared by Board Chair Warcup for meeting guests regarding the Question Period:

- At the end of each Regular (Public) Board Meeting, there is a 10-minute question period for the public. Questions must pertain to the agenda and can be presented in person at the Regular Board Meeting or emailed no later than 4:00 p.m. on the day of the Regular Board Meeting to the attention of Carole Gagnon, Executive Assistant.
- Questions or comments about personal issues, individuals or property acquisitions are not appropriate for public meetings. A written response to questions to the Board will be provided as soon as practicable. Questions asked at the Regular Board Meeting are recorded for follow up by the Board in the event an answer is not provided during the Question Period.

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Board Chair Warcup called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m.

#### 2. DECLARATION OF QUORUM

A quorum was declared.

#### 3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion #8841

**THAT** the agenda be adopted as circulated.

#### Carried

In Favour 6 / Abstained 1 (Trustee Maxim)

# 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETING

# 4.1 Regular Meeting, May 28, 2025

Motion #8842

THAT the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board held May 28, 2025 be approved.

#### Carried

In Favour 6 / Abstained 1 (Trustee Maxim)

#### 5. RECEIPT OF RECORDS OF IN CAMERA MEETING

# 5.1 Summary of In Camera Meeting, May 28, 2025

Motion #8843

**THAT** the Summary of the In Camera Meeting of the Board held May 28, 2025 be approved.

#### Carried

In Favour 6 / Abstained 1 (Trustee Maxim)

#### 6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There was no business arising from the minutes.

#### 7. CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence received.

# 8. SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS' MONTHLY REPORT – JUNE 2025

Motion #8844

**THAT** the Superintendent of Schools' Monthly Report to the Regular Board Meeting of June 18, 2025 be received as presented.

Carried

All in Favour

# 8.1 Strategic Plan Year-End Report – 2024-2025

Motion #8845

**THAT** the Board receive for information the Year-End Update for the 2024-2025 Strategic Plan as presented by Superintendent MacMillan.

Carried All in Favour

# 9. INDIGENOUS EDUCATION REPORT – JUNE 2025

Motion #8846

**THAT** the Board receive for information the Indigenous Education Report for June 2025 prepared by Superintendent Tracey MacMillan.

Carried
All in Favour

# Notation:

Trustee Angie Maitland excused herself from the Regular Board Meeting due to a personal commitment. A quorum was still in place for the meeting.

#### 10. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

# 10.1 Business Committee Report (Trustee Ed Harrison)

# 10.1.1 Business Committee Meeting Minutes, June 11, 2025

Motion #8847

**THAT** the minutes of the Business Committee Meeting held on June 11, 2025 be received for information.

Carried All in Favour

# 10.1.2 2026-2027 Five-Year Plan Intake - Call for Projects

Motion #8848

**THAT** the Board approve the 2026-2027 Five-Year Capital Plan (Major and Minor Capital Projects) submission to the Ministry of Infrastructure.

Carried All in Favour

# 10.1.3 Draft Preliminary 2025-2026 Annual Budget Bylaw (with Version Number)

A Bylaw of THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT 82 (COAST MOUNTAINS) (called the "Board") to adopt the Annual Budget of the Board for the fiscal year 2025-2026 pursuant to section 113 of the *School Act*, R.S.B.C., 1996, c. 412 as amended from time to time (called the "*Act*").

- 1. The Board has complied with the provisions of the *Act*, Ministerial Orders, and Ministry of Education and Child Care Policies respecting the Annual Budget adopted by this bylaw.
- 2. This bylaw may be cited as School District 82 (Coast Mountains) Annual Budget Bylaw for fiscal year 2025-2026.
- 3. The attached Statement 2 showing the estimated revenue and expense for the 2025-2026 fiscal year and the total budget bylaw amount of \$81,393,267 for the 2025-2026 fiscal year was prepared in accordance with the *Act*.
- 4. Statement 2, 4 and Schedules 2 to 4 are adopted as the Annual Budget of the Board for the fiscal year 2025-2026.

Motion #8849

**THAT** the Board approve the utilization of capital replacement dollars through Local Capital Reserves of up to \$250,000 for the purchase of vehicles and equipment for the Facilities and Maintenance Departments for the 2025-2026 fiscal year.

Carried All in Favour

Motion #8850

**THAT** the 2025-2026 Annual Budget Bylaw (Version: 6121-5375-3393) be read a first time the 18th day of June, 2025.

Carried
All in Favour

Motion #8851

**THAT** the 2025-2026 Annual Budget Bylaw (Version: 6121-5375-3393) be read a second time the 18th day of June, 2025.

Carried All in Favour

Unanimous consent was received and confirmed by Board Chair Warcup prior to proceeding to third reading.

Motion #8852

**THAT** the 2025-2026 Annual Budget Bylaw (Version: 6121-5375-3393) be read a third time, passed and adopted the 18th day of June, 2025.

Carried All in Favour

Board Chair Warcup extended the Board's appreciation to the 2025-2026 Budget Working Committee for their time and efforts towards the development of the 2025-2026 Annual Budget.

# 10.2 Education Committee Report (Trustee Karen Jonkman)

# 10.2.1 Education Committee Meeting Minutes, June 11, 2025

Motion #8853

**THAT** the minutes of the Education Committee Meeting held June 11, 2025 be received for information.

#### Carried

In Favour 5 / Abstained 1 (Trustee Maxim)

# 10.2.2 Aboriginal 2023-2024 How Are We Doing? Report Highlights

Superintendent MacMillan provided an overview of the power point presentation titled *How Are We Doing? (HAWD)*, which was included in the agenda package for Trustees' information. The presentation highlighted key data results in the areas of Literacy, Numeracy, and Graduation for both Indigenous and non-Indigenous students.

As the meeting extended beyond the scheduled time, Trustees were encouraged to review the power point over the summer and bring any questions forward to Superintendent MacMillan for follow-up. A dedicated session to further discuss the HAWD report may be scheduled at the Trustees' discretion in early fall.

Superintendent MacMillan noted this power point will presented and reviewed by the District Education Team with all Principals and Vice Principals at their August Summer Forum, with the intention of sharing the information with schools.

Motion #8854

**THAT** the Board receive for information the report highlights of the 2023-2024 Aboriginal Report How Are We Doing? as presented by Superintendent MacMillan.

Carried All in Favour

#### 11. NEW BUSINESS

# 11.1 2025-2026 Annual Facilities Grant Expenditure Plan

Motion #8855

**THAT** the Board receive for information the 2025-2026 Annual Facilities Grant (AFG) Ministry Expenditure Grant and the Project Summary List for Coast Mountains School District.

Carried All in Favour

# 11.2 2024 Carbon Neutral Action Report

Motion #8856

**THAT** the Board receive for information the 2024 Carbon Neutral Action Report as presented.

Carried All in Favour

#### 11.3 Draft 2025-2026 Internal Administrative Calendar

Motion #8857

**THAT** the Board accept the 2025-2026 Internal Administrative Calendar with the following changes denoted:

- 1) The November Education Committee will be scheduled on Wednesday, November 19 due to a BC School Superintendents Association (BCSSA) meeting conflict for the District Education Team during the week of November 10.
- 2) Committee Meetings and Boards Meetings will not be scheduled during the month of December as this is a busy time for schools, the Board of Education Office, and the District Education Team and Trustees receive multiple invitations to attend school concert events. Currently there are no Committee and Board Meetings scheduled in the month of March.

Carried All in Favour

#### 12. TRUSTEE REPORTS

## 12.1 Board Chair Report – June 2025

Motion #8858

**THAT** the Board receive for information the Board Chair Report for June 2025.

Carried

In Favour 5 / Abstained 1 (Trustee Maxim)

## 12.2 Trustee Reports

There were no reports presented by Trustees.

#### 13. QUESTION PERIOD

Joslyn Bagg, Co-President with the Coast Mountain Teachers' Federation spoke to the following concerns:

- 1. We have noticed that you are doing a lot of electronic communication with parents which is great, however, we need to keep in mind that not all parents have access to WiFi, and we still do need to use the paper trail as we are losing a great audience of parents that are not getting that information.
- 2. It is very nice that the District had a Local Education Agreement (LEA) forum with administrators, however, it was very disappointing that teachers could not be involved. We have seats on the District Committee with regards to Indigenous Education, and we have been waiting a very long time to have a conversation and we are still not getting that. It is very important that we also hear what Indigeous leaders would like to see in our classrooms because, no offence, we are the ones providing that information to students and if we don't know what is being asked of us, if we don't understand what is being asked of us because we are not there, we cannot provide that service and that information. Again, I would like to encourage you to have those meetings but also includes us.

Board Chair Warcup responded these are not direct questions for the Board and she asked that Ms. Bagg refer these concerns to Administration for handling. Ms. Bagg responded she brought these issues forward for Trustees to also be aware and be a part of the communication.

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The next hybrid Regular Board of Education Meeting will be held on Wednesday, Septemb	er 24
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# 14. ADJOURNMENT

The next hybrid Regular Board of Education Meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 24, 2025 at the Board of Education Office in Terrace.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

**Board of Education Chair** 

Secretary Treasurer