

**PUBLIC MINUTES OF THE IN-CAMERA MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 85 (VANCOUVER ISLAND NORTH)**

September 14, 2015

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order by, Leightan Wishart, Chairperson of the Board of Education, at the School Board Office, Port Hardy, B.C. at 4:00p.m. with the following in attendance:

Jeff Field, Trustee
Eric Hunter, Trustee
Werner Manke, Trustee
Carol Prescott, Trustee
Danita Schmidt, Trustee
Lyn Skrlac, Trustee

**APPROVAL OF
MINUTES
48/15**

Hunter/Schmidt:
That the minutes of the in-camera meeting of June 8, 2015 be adopted.

CARRIED

**APPROVAL OF PUBLIC
MINUTES
49/15**

Hunter/Schmidt:
That the public minutes of the in-camera meeting of June 8, 2015 be adopted.

CARRIED

**APPROVAL OF
SPECIAL MINUTES
50/15**

Skrlac/Schmidt:
That the minutes of the special in-camera meeting of July 2, 2015 be adopted.

CARRIED

**APPROVAL OF PUBLIC
SPECIAL MINUTES
51/15**

Skrlac/Schmidt:
That the public minutes of the special in-camera meeting of July 2, 2015 be adopted.

CARRIED

**ADDITIONS TO THE
AGENDA**

Trustee Honour

**ADOPTION OF THE
AGENDA
52/15**

Schmidt/Hunter:
That the in-camera agenda be adopted with the additions.

CARRIED

TRUSTEE HONOUR

Trustee Prescott announced that a fellow trustee had received the honour of being adopted into the Quatsino First Nation.

**EXCLUDED PRF #09/15
53/15**

Field/Schmidt:
That Excluded P.R.F. #09/15 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

SUNSET/CHESLAKEES/WOSS Superintendent Scott Benwell reported on a concern voiced by school PAC members as well as the partial closure of the WFP office in Woss. He informed the Board of a personnel issue.

FSA RESULTS Dr. Benwell reported significant improvement in District FSA results as well as high student participation rates.

EXEMPT COMPENSATION FREEZE Dr. Benwell reported on the wage freeze for exempt staff.

CUPE PRF #09/15 54/15 Schmidt/Hunter:
That CUPE P.R.F. #09/15 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

GRIEVANCE UPDATES Secretary Treasurer John Martin reported on two Step 3 CUPE grievances and a Step 1 grievance.

STAFFING -CUPE Mr. Martin reported that Education Assistants will receive an increase in hours, for this year only, of one hour per week due to the longer school day of the 2015-2016 school calendar. FNEC has been asked to approve the same increase in hours for First Nations Support Workers.

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT Mr. Martin shared information on the Transformative Education Leadership program being offered by UBC.

55/15 Schmidt/Field:
That the Board support the application of an employee for the Transformative Education Leadership program, and if successful, the existing professional development budgets can be accessed for this program on a cost-shared basis.

CARRIED

VINTA PRF #09/15 56/15 Field/Schmidt:
That VINTA P.R.F. #09/15 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

GRIEVANCE UPDATES There was no VINTA grievance report.

STAFFING UPDATE Assistant Superintendent Carol Robertson reported on staffing and explained that the process has extended into the school year due to teachers exercising their collective agreement rights to post and fill.

**NON-
NEIGHBOURHOOD
REQUEST**

Assistant Superintendent Carol Robertson recommended the approval of a non-neighbourhood request for a student to attend NISS.

57/15

Prescott/Schmidt:

That the non-neighbourhood enrollment request for a student to attend North Island Secondary School be approved.

CARRIED

58/15

Schmidt:

That the in-camera meeting of September 14, 2015 be adjourned (5:34 p.m.).

CARRIED

Chairperson of the Board

Secretary-Treasurer