MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 58 (NICOLA-SIMILKAMEEN)

PRINCETON BOARD OFFICE WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2012, 6:00 P.M.

PRESENT:	Chairman	G. Comeau
	Trustees	R. Gage D. Laird D. Rainer G. Swan L. Ward
	Superintendent	R. Peacock
	Secretary Treasurer	K. Black
	Assistant Superintendent	S. McNiven

AGENDA

12/024 **SWAN-WARD**

THAT the agenda be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

MINUTES

12/025 **LAIRD-GAGE**

THAT the minutes of the Regular meeting held January 11, 2012 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

The Chairman recognized Ken Heuser for his 25 years of service as a Trustee to School District No. 17 (Princeton) and after amalgamation, to School District No. 58 (Nicola-Similkameen). The Chairman thanked Trustee Heuser for not only the service he offered as a Trustee but also the additional volunteer service that he provided the community. It was also noted the Trustee Heuser has obtained a Life Membership with BCSTA for his years of service.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Presentation - Vermilion Forks Elementary School

Principal of Vermillion Forks and John Allison Elementary Schools, Barry Clarke introduced Student Support Service teacher Candice Ostertag. Ms. Ostertag provided an overview of the Clicker and Kerswell software programs purchased through a grant from Special Education Technology (SET) BC. Ms. Ostertag also noted that seven Toshiba laptops and three flip cameras had been purchased as well. She presented the SET BC webpage with her own blog Ancient Civilization Innovation.

Principal Barry Clarke then introduced Princeton Helping Teacher Rod Miller. Mr. Miller provided an overview of the use of iPads in schools and reviewed a number of the benefits they provide to students.

Mr. Miller also reviewed his role as the Math Helping teacher, outlining the benefits and rewards this position provides Princeton area students. He gave an overview of the initiatives that he is pursuing in particular, the IXL Online Math Learning Tool.

Report Cards

The Superintendent circulated a letter that will be going home to all parents regarding why students may be receiving incomplete final semester one report cards or none at all. He advised that the staff at both Princeton and Merritt Secondary Schools are able to issue report cards and updates in one envelope for distribution. He

12/028 **SWAN-GAGE**

THAT the Amended Annu

Princeton Secondary School Water Servicing Improvements

The Secretary Treasurer reviewed the quotes for the Princeton Secondary School Water Servicing Improvements and recommended that the district proceed with CHB Services in the amount of \$21,795.20. It was noted that reference checks were done in accordance with past practice.

12/030 **LAIRD-RAINER**