

MINUTES

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

**MERRITT BOARD OFFICE
WEDNESDAY, MAY 16, 2012, 6:00 P.M.**

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

AGENDA

It was requested that the iPad Pilot Project Update be added to the Education Committee.

12/074

SWAN-RAINER

THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

CARRIED

MINUTES

12/075

LAIRD-WARD

THAT the minutes of the Regular meeting held April 18, 2012, be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

BUILDING COMMITTEE

Tenders - Cargo Van

The Secretary Treasurer circulated the list of tenders received for the purchase of a new cargo van for the south end of the district.

12/078

RAINER-LAIRD

THAT the low tender of \$22,000 plus HST from Murray GM Merritt for the supply of a 1500 cargo van be accepted.

CARRIED

BUDGET COMMITTEE

Budget Bylaw

The Secretary Treasurer noted that the majority of the adjustments made within the budget have been driven by enrolment decline and the closure of Coquihalla Middle School. He also noted this is the first year using Public Sector Accounting Body (PSAB) rules which differ from the Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) previously followed. The main difference with the new budget format is that it now includes the expenses that are made on the funds in particular the Special Purpose fund and the Capital Fund. For this budget year, the comparatives are not comparative in that the 2011/2012 figures have not been restated.

Trustee Gage commented on the operating deficit for 2011/2012 compared to the operating deficit for 2012/2013. He noted the difference of \$228,761 less budgeted surplus out of operating for 2012/2013 compared to 2011/2012.

12/079

GAGE-SWAN

THAT the Annual Budget Bylaw of the Board of Education of School District No. 58 (Nicola-Similkameen) in the amount of \$29,542,747 for the 2012/2013 fiscal year be read a first, second, third time, finally passed and adopted.

CARRIED

TRUSTEE REPORTS

PAC Reports

The following Trustees reported on recent PAC meetings:

Trustee Swan for Merritt Secondary School, Trustee Kroeker for Coquihalla Middle School, Trustee Gage for Diamond Vale and Merritt Central Elementary Schools, and Trustee Ward for Vermilion Forks Elementary School.

Other Reports

Trustee Rainer discussed the potential closure of the Princeton hospital and asked the Board to provide a letter of support.

12/080

LAIRD-WARD

THAT the Board of Education provide a letter of support requesting the Princeton Hospital remain open.

CARRIED

Chairman Comeau announced that Trustee Swan was re-elected as a Director for the BCSTA.

Trustee Gage exp4.02 57u9ET EMC /P MCID 11/Lang (en-CA) BDC BT1 0 0 1 EMC /P MCID