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

PRINCETON BOARD OFFICE WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2013, 6:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Chairman G. Comeau

Trustees R. Gage

T. Kroeker D. Laird D. Rainer G. Swan L. Ward

Superintendent R. Peacock

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EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Introduction of Student Representatives

The Superintendent provided an overview of the student representatives concept. He noted that two student Trustees will participate in meetings at the south end and two student T

Nation Support Workers and excluded staff. He advised that the estimated increase in costs

\$575,690, the new allocation is AFG operating \$120,475 and AFG capital \$455,215 for a total of \$575,690.

13/146 It was moved and seconded:

THAT Capital Project Bylaw No. 126647-02 specifying a maximum expenditure of \$455,215 for the Annual Facilities Grant Allocation, be read a first and second time.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

There was consensus that a third reading be held.

13/147 It was moved and seconded:

THAT Capital Project Bylaw No. 126647-02 specifying a maximum expenditure of \$455,215 for the Annual Facilities Grant Allocation, be read a third time, finally passed and adopted.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Nicola-Canford Elementary School Modular Update

The Superintendent noted three items of concern regarding the construction of the Nicola-Canford Modular School:

1. An old diesel tank was found buried. He noted it was tested and no diesel

MSS Gymnasium Floor

Trustee Kroeker reported that the use of the gymnasium at Merritt Secondary School has been denied for a number of activities, in particular, student dances.

The Superintendent stated the district recently had the gym floor refinished and the goal is to protect the floor. Allowing outdoor shoes in the gym will quickly diminish the surface.

There was extensive debate on this item.

ACTION ITEM:

It was agreed that the Superintendent research floor protection or other alternatives and bring

Trustee Gage for Diamond Vale and Merritt Central Elementary Schools, Trustee Swan for Merritt Secondary Schools, Trustee Kroeker for Collettville Elementary and Merritt Bench Elementary Schools, Trustee Rainer for John Allison Elementary School and Trustee Comeau for Princeton Secondary School.

FNEC

Trustee Gage noted there will be a budget meeting for the AAC that will be held on October 22, 2013.

Other Reports

Trustee Gage reported on a late motion to the BCSTA Provincial Council. He advised the motion is regarding the three-year term of elected School Trustees. The motion is to increase the current three-year term to a four-year term. He noted that at the annual UBCM convention, it was recommended that a four-year term be supported.

He stated he will be attending the Provincial Council Meeting shortly and wanted discussion on the motion so as to represent the Board's consensus at the meeting.

13/151 It was moved and seconded:

THAT the Board support the late motion of a four-year term for School Trustees.

MOTION CARRIED

Royal Canadian Legion, George Pearkes - Branch No. 56, requesting