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

**PRINCETON BOARD OFFICE  
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2016, 6:00 P.M.**

PRESENT:	Chairman	G. Comeau
	Trustees	G. Ellingsen B. Jepsen D. Rainer G. Swan L. Ward
	Student Trustees	M. Brodie
	Superintendent	S. McMillan
	Assistant Superintendent	C. Perkins
	Secretary Treasurer	K. Black
	Assistant Secretary Treasurer	L. Lutter

AGENDA

It was requested that Nicola Lake School be added to the Audit and Finance Committee.

16/151 It was moved and seconded:

THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

**MOTION CARRIED**

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16/152 It was moved and seconded:

THAT the minutes of the Regular meeting held November 16, 2016, be adopted as

remained

**EDUCATION COMMITTEE**

Presentation: Vermilion Forks Elementary School

Elementary School. The students provided an overview of their lesson projects that they have been working on. The Chairman thanked teachers Faye McKinney and Sharon Nelson for their educational support.

Presentation: Princeton Secondary School

Student Trustee Bradie introduced two students from Princeton Secondary School who shared a number of projects they have been working on. These included studying the disease rubella and looking at the history of the French revolution. The students also spoke of their upcoming passion projects, and were looking at wedding planning and the

Enhancement Agreement Update

The Superintendent noted that although an Enhancement Agreement is no longer required, it is work that is important to the district. He provided an update of the meetings that have taken place across various communities.

Enhancing Learning Plan Presentation

The Superintendent brought forward the recommendation to have schools share their Enhancing Learning Plans in a café format near the end of February or beginning of March. He stated that this would be an opportunity for schools to moving forward. More information and details will be provided.

2017/2018 Draft School Calendar

The Superintendent reviewed the Draft 2017/2018 School Calendar and noted that there are 184 days in session with 7 non-instructional days. He also noted that a two-week Spring Break is being proposed.

It was agreed that the Draft Calendar would go out to stakeholders for feedback and brought back to the January meeting with any changes for final approval.

Field Trips

The list of Superintendent approved field trips was circulated for information.

Superintendent's Report

The Superintendent provided an update on the following activities in the district:

- Support staff

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- o Bus drivers
- o Snow removal

- Indoor options for students

General rule is 15 does not mean students must be inside but space

is available.

- Holiday events
  - o Concerts
  - o Breakfasts
  - o Socials
  - o Celebrations
  - o Giving
- Athletics

Professional Learning

- Inquiry

**AUDIT AND FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**Economic Stability Dividend (ESD)**

The Superintendent advised that the province's GDP grew by 3.3% with a forecast of

provincial public sector employees. He noted this increase will take place over

**Rural Education Enhancement Fund (REEF)**

The Chairman advised the REEF fund program has been changed and reviewed the

REEF and noted that a four question survey is available for filing in. The Chairman asked that Senior staff review the survey as well.

**Nicola Lake School**

The Secretary Treasurer advised that two offers have been received for the Nicola

Lake school.

It was decided that Senior staff begin the process of getting ministerial approval to sell the property.

**POLICY COMMITTEE**

**Draft Policy No. 205.2 – Trustee Professional Development**

16/153 It was moved and seconded:

HAT Policy No. 205.2 Trustee Professional Development be read a first, second, and third time, finally passed and adopted.

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**TRUSTEE REPORTS**

The following Trustees reported on recent PAC meetings:

Secondary School, Trustee Rainer for Princeton Secondary School, Trustee Ellingsen for Nicola-Canford Elementary School, Trustee Ward for Vermilion Forks Elementary and Trustee Cameron for John A. Wilson

he Student Trustee reported on recent events at Princeton Secondary School

Trustee Ward spoke in a working group around the BC STA Thompson Okanagan Branch meeting

January 18, 2017	Merritt
February 8, 2017	Princeton
March 8, 2017	Merritt
April 12, 2017	Princeton
May 10, 2017	Merritt
June 7, 2017	Princeton

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