



September 15, 2010

DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES

Present:	Barb Young	District President
	Stephen Lynch	1 st Vice President
	Terry Stitch	2 nd Vice President
	James Grant	Treasurer / CPAC Officer
	Steve Spring	Provincial Councillor
	Jessie Coccimiglio	2nd Executive Officer / SCSS
	Al Duffy	Occasional Teachers' President
	Hugh Garrett	Federation Officer
	Suzette Clark	Provincial Secretariat Liaison
	Cal DeNure	BDHS
	Dave Page	CKSS / Health and Safety Officer
	Mike Waldram	JMSS
	Chris Schliehauf	LKCS
	Meredith Callaghan	NCIVS
	Derek Stenton	NCIVS (guest)
Elsa Natvik	RDHS	
Steve Stephenson	TDHS	
Andrea Vilardi	SCITS	
Dave Edwards	WDSS / Human Rights Officer	
Carolyn Trigatti	Recording Secretary	
Regrets:	Greg Sheeler	1st Executive Officer / NLSS
	Jayson Campeau	JMSS
	Paul Sokol	LCCVI
	Harvey Bischof	Provincial Executive Liaison
	Craig Bowie	Chair
	Amy Brand	Educational Services Officer
	Meighen McGregor	Status of Women Officer
Absent:	Dennis Lussier	AMSS

- 1.0 Welcome and Call to Order at 4:30 pm by Barb Young, Chair.
- 2.0 Reading of the Pledge by Hugh Garrett.
- 3.0 Al Duffy was appointed as the Anti Harassment Officer for the meeting. The Anti Harassment Policy was read.
- 4.0 The agenda was approved as printed.

5.0 The previous Minutes (June 2, 2010) were approved as printed.

6.0 Business Arising from Previous Minutes – none.

7.0 Correspondence:

7.1 Thank you card from the family of Duncan Longwell. Duncan passed away and the District sent flowers. Duncan was a Lambton Kent District School Board Trustee for many years and was the recipient of the OSSTF Lamp of Learning Award.

8.0 Business:

8.1 Mover: Barb Young
Seconder: Stephen Lynch

BIRT the 2010/11 meetings of District Council be considered formal with respect to Rule 2.16 in the Provincial Handbook.

Carried.

8.2 Branch Rebates/Levy/Executive

Branch Budgets are due to the District Office by October 1. Branch Levy motions are also due and the \$25 levy will be deducted from the November 15th pay.

There was some discussion concerning the amount of the Levy. Some Branches would like the Levy to be increased. Branches have submitted their motions, so it is too late to have an increase effective for this school year. This was tabled until the June Council meeting.

8.3 School Visits

Branch Presidents were asked to give possible dates for school visits. Branch Presidents were also asked to notify Barb or Hugh if their Branch has any specific concerns.

8.4 Curriculum Leader Allowance

To date, the 3% increase in the Curriculum Leader Allowance for this school year has not been paid. We are currently working with the Board to rectify this retroactive to September 1, 2010.

8.5 Staff Development Days

The Letter of Agreement stated that each secondary school will have access to up to ten supply days per year for 2008/09, 2009/10, 2010/11 and 2011/12 school years in order to facilitate staff development. Due to the Letter of Agreement being signed late into the first year of this Agreement, both parties agreed to allow for twenty days over for the first two years and then ten years each for the following years.

As of June 2010, 83 days were leftover from the 2008-10 school years. As per the Letter of Agreement, this money should be returned to the District. Instead, it has been decided that the days would be divided between the schools. This will mean that each school will have access to 16.5 Staff Development Days for the 2010-11 school year.

A new form has been developed to allow for easier tracking and assigning of these days. It was requested that Branch Presidents receive a copy of this form. Barb Young will suggest this to Mike Gilfoyle.

8.6 Timetables / Supervision

The timetables are still to come and the supervision schedules are being sent to the District Office. Hugh and Barb are reviewing and will meet with Administration next week.

8.7 Annual Learning Plan

Posters were provided for Branch Presidents. There is also a link on our website (www.osstfd10.ca) to another website that is a resource for teachers preparing their Annual Learning Plan.

8.8 Retirement Workshops

Posters were provided for Branch Presidents to post.

8.9 Municipal Elections

Council members were asked to encourage everyone to get out and vote on October 25th. James Grant is running for City/County Council. The District is also looking at initiatives to get people out to vote (meet and greet, buttons, etc.)

9.0 Reports:

9.1 Provincial

A written report was provided.

9.2 President

A written report was provided.

There was a concern regarding OSRs not following students from other Boards. Barb Young will follow up.

9.3 Treasurer

A written report was provided.

9.4 Federation Officer

A written report was provided.

There was a discussion regarding social networking sites and cell phones in classrooms. District 10 will get direction from Province and take that direction to Administration.

9.5 Health & Safety

A written report was provided.

9.6 Provincial Councillor

No report. The first Provincial Council meeting is next week.

9.7 Occasionals

No report.

9.8 Educational Services

No report.

9.9 CPAC (Meeting – September 22 at 4:00 pm at District Office)

A written report was provided. Council members were asked to encourage their members to involve their students with the Student Achievement Awards (in Honour of Marion Drysdale). This year's theme is *Become the Solution: Words into Action*.

Some members are interested in serving the Communications/Political Action Committee in one role or the other, but not in both. James agreed he would divide the meetings.

9.10 Human Rights

Dave Edwards will send an email to the Human Rights representatives through the District Office.

9.11 Status of Women

No report.

9.12 School Reports

9.12.1 WDSS – concern regarding Board mileage compensation being done by direct deposit and not being able to track it. The Board sends an email confirmation to the member's Board email.

9.12.2 WDSS – question regarding assigning a student a zero – what if the Board Policy contravenes the Ministry's Policy? *Growing Success* takes precedent.

9.12.3 NCIVS – concern regarding teacher's names being listed on IEPs under the "developed by" portion. A teacher can have his/her name removed from the document. Barb will look into cleaning this up.

9.12.4 SCSS – members are experiencing difficulties having orthotics approved by Great West Life. These members should contact the District Office.

9.12.5 SCITS – concerns regarding contacts being over. Secondary Staffing is reviewing this at the end of next week.

9.12.6 CKSS – members would like to see the surplus/redundancy process changed to alleviate stress.

10.0 Other – none.

11.0 The meeting adjourned at 6:00 pm.