



SCHOOL DISTRICT NO 87

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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES December 9, 2025 at 3:30 pm PST Via Zoom

PRESENT:

TASHOOTS, Yvonne	Chairperson
STRANGE, Michael	Vice Chairperson
NOLE, Teneal	Trustee
MACRAE, Julie	Interim Superintendent
HOOKER, Brenda	Secretary Treasurer

ABSENT:

LOOTS, Fred	Trustee
HAWKINS, Jolene	Trustee

Land Acknowledgement:

We would like to acknowledge that the lands on which we work and learn are the unceded traditional territories of the Tāltān, Kaska and Taku River Tlingit First Nations.

1. **Called to order by Chairperson Tashoots at 3:35 pm.**
2. **Adoption of Agenda**

STRANGE/NOLE

R25.11 **THAT** the agenda be adopted. as amended.
CARRIED

3. **Adoption of Public Meeting Minutes**

a. September 27, 2025 Whitehorse, YT

NOLE/HAWKINS

R25.12 **THAT** the Public Meeting Minutes of September 27 2025 be accepted as presented.
CARRIED

4. Adoption of In-Camera/Special In Camera Meeting Summaries

- a. September 27, 2025 Whitehorse, YT

NOLE/STRANGE

R25.13 THAT the In-Camera Meeting Summary of September 27, 2025 be approved as presented.

CARRIED

- b. October 18, 2025 Terrace, BC

NOLE/STRANGE

R25.14 THAT the In-Camera Meeting Summary of October 18, 2025 be approved as presented.

CARRIED

- c. November 1, 2025 Zoom

STRANGE/NOLE

R25.15 THAT the In-Camera Meeting Summary of November 1, 2025 be approved as presented.

CARRIED

- d. November 7, 2025 Zoom

NOLE/STRANGE

R25.16 THAT the In-Camera Meeting Summary of November 7, 2025 be approved as presented.

CARRIED

- e. December 2, 2025 Zoom

STRANGE/NOLE

R25.17 THAT the In-Camera Meeting Summary of December 2, 2025 be approved as presented.

CARRIED

5. Interim Superintendent Report

- a. Interim Superintendent's Report to the Board of Education
Ms. MacRae provided the Board a verbal update regarding the activities in the District since she assumed the helm in November 2025. She discussed student assessments, updates of work at the school level, and upcoming activities prior to the Winter Break.

NOLE/STRANGE

R25.18 THAT the Superintendent's Report be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

b. 2025/2026 School Calendars

Ms. MacRae advised the Board that the senior team had identified an issue with the 2025/2026 School Calendars. It has been identified that the placement of the two-week spring break and disparity of professional development days will create an attendance issue. Secretary Treasurer Hooker reviewed the legislation and process regarding changing a published school calendar. Senior staff is recommending that the Board consider publishing the revised draft calendars to trigger the required consultation period.

STRANGE/NOLE

R25.19 THAT the Board of Education publish the proposed changes to the 2025/2026 School Calendars with the final decision to be made at a January Board meeting.

CARRIED

6. Finance

a) 2024/25 Statement of Financial Information (SOFI)

Secretary Treasurer Hooker provided an overview of the 2024/25 SOFI report and reviewed the highlights of the Financial Statement Discussion and Analysis Report for the year ended June 30, 2025.

The Statement of Financial Information is an annual report that is a legislative requirement publishing District salaries over \$125,000 and accounts payables over \$25,000.

STRANGE/NOLE

R25.20 THAT the 2024/25 Statement of Financial Information be approved as presented.

CARRIED

7. Buildings and Grounds

a) Nil

8. Other

a. Policy Committee presented the following three policies, either revised or new, for the Board's consideration at the December 9th public board meeting. The policies were approved at first reading and published. Staff updated the Board regarding public comments received during the public consultation period.

i. Policy 207 – Tobacco, Vaping & Cannabis – **REVISION**

NOLE/STRANGE

R25.21 THAT 2nd reading of the revision to Policy 207 be approved.
CARRIED

NOLE/STRANGE

R25.22 THAT 3rd reading of the revision to Policy 207 be approved.
CARRIED

ii. Policy 212 – Video Surveillance – **NEW**

STRANGE/NOLE

R25.23 THAT 2nd reading of the revision to Policy 212 be approved.
CARRIED

STRANGE/NOLE

R25.24 THAT 3rd reading of the revision to Policy 212 be approved.
CARRIED

iii. Policy 213 – Response to Unexpected Health Emergencies – **NEW**

STRANGE/NOLE

R25.25 THAT 2nd reading of the revision to Policy 213 be approved.
CARRIED

NOLE/STRANGE

R25.26 THAT 3rd reading of the revision to Policy 213 be approved.
CARRIED

- b. Staff provided the Board with a proposed schedule for strategic plan consultation with each of our five communities. The Board approved the proposed dates, times and strategy for engagement.
- c. Staff presented a briefing note regarding a grant application. The Iskut Band Council is requesting a letter of support from SD87 to accompany a grant application they are making which would establish a local teacher education program in partnership with the University of Victoria. The grants are being made available through the Ministry of Postsecondary Education and Future Skills.

STRANGE/NOLE

R25.27 THAT staff prepare a letter of support for the teacher education program application by the Iskut Band Council.
CARRIED

9. Trustee Reports

nil

10. Public Question Period


No questions were asked from the public.

11. Adjourn Meeting

NOLE/STRANGE

R25.28 THAT the meeting be adjourned at 4:46 pm.

CARRIED



Yvonne Tashoots, Chairperson



Brenda Hooker, Secretary Treasurer

