

# Media Release Highlights of June 9, 2020 Board Meeting Meeting held Remotely via Zoom

#### School Re-Start

Conrad Street Elementary School Principal Kerri Levelton and Vice-Principal Tania Murray provided an overview of re-start of the school system, with elementary students able to attend school half-time. In response to the current pandemic, specific processes for entering the school, washing hands and moving around the school have been developed in consultation with the school joint occupational health and safety committee. Role modeling of social distancing is an ongoing priority.

Many families have elected to keep their children at home, and the principals showed a website being used by one of their teachers for remote learning.

"The Board was excited to hear how much students loved being back in their school – and how much the teachers loved being with their students," said Board Chair James Horne. "We look forward to the day when all of our students return to school full time."

## 2020-21 Annual Budget Bylaw

The Board of Education has adopted a revised version of the annual budget for 2020-21. This budget reflects the spending reductions approved by the Board in May, along with the funding, and salary and benefit costs, associated with the ratification of the provincial collective agreement with teachers.

The total budget bylaw amount, which reflects the operating fund, special purpose funds and the capital fund, is \$32,411,277.

## 2021-2022 Capital Plan

The Board of Education approved the 2021-2022 Capital Plan at the June 9, 2020 meeting. Replacement of Prince Rupert Middle School remains the districts highest priority for capital funds.

This plan lists the items the district is asking to be funded. The Ministry of Education's funding decision is expected to be announced in March 2021.

The full capital plan is as follows:



#### Seismic Projects

- 1. Prince Rupert Middle School
- 2. Conrad Street Elementary School

#### Replacement Project

1. District Support Services Building

#### Carbon Neutral Capital Program Project

1. Roosevelt DDC Upgrade

#### School Enhancement Projects

- 1. Washroom and Plumbing Upgrades
- 2. CHSS Unit Ventilator Replacement

#### Bus Replacement Program

1. Bus for Port Ed / Metlakatla Service

#### Playground Equipment Program Project

1. École Roosevelt Park Community School

## **Policy Committee Work**

1 policy was approved for distribution to the district's partner groups for their review and comment:

1140 Student Reporting Policy

1 policy was approved by the Board:

1120 French Immersion Policy

# **Upcoming Events**

June 8 to 10, 2020 CHSS Grad

Friday, June 19, 2020 Hartley Bay Grad (to be confirmed)

Wednesday, June 24, 2020 PCS Grad

Thursday, June 25, 2020 Last day of school classes

Friday, June 26, 2020 Administrative Day



Tuesday, September 15, 2020 Board Meeting

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