## SUMMARY OF BOARD MOTIONS CARRIED November 12th, 2014, Board Meeting, Cranbrook

## **Motions Carried**

## Advocacy

M/S That the Board write a letter to the BC School Trustees' Association (BCSTA) with a copy to our stakeholder groups expressing concern over CommunityLINK funding and the inclusion of census data in the Vulnerable Student Supplement (VSS) formula factors, given the concerns Statistics Canada has with the National Household Survey (NHS) and longitudinal analysis data, and that we urge the BCSTA to consider requesting that a) the provincial government update the VSS formula to include more current, accurate data and b) that the federal government return to the more reliable, mandatory, long-form census.

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M/S that the Board write a joint letter with stakeholders to Prime Minister Harper urging his government to reconsider the changes of the National Household Survey from voluntary back to mandatory and that this letter be copied to Head of Statistics Canada, opposition party leaders, our local MP, the Premier and education ministers of BC and their opposition, our local MLA, presidents of the Canadian School Boards' Association (CSBA), the BC School Trustees' Association (BCSTA), Canadian School Boards' Association (CFF), BC Teachers' Federation (BCTF), National and BC Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE), BC Confederation of Parent Advisory Councils (BCCPAC)(for distribution to their members), local association chairs/presidents and to media

That the Board tentatively approve the field trip to Costa Rica for the grade 10 class at JESJSS in April, 2015.

That the Board write a thank you letter to the negotiators for all their hard work in bargaining the collective agreement with the BCTF.

## <u>General</u>

That the Board send a letter to MLA Bill Bennett in response to his office's email response to our request for a progress update on recommendations 24 – 40 from the *Report on the Budget 2014 Consultations* from the Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services, in order to clarify that we are seeking information and not, as the email suggests, attempting to make a late submission to the 2015 Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services.

That the Board approve the Capital Project Bylaw Project No. 126803 School Bus Replacement, maximum expenditure of \$146,293.26 (Three Readings)

As always, feel free to contact me if you have any questions :)

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