

School District No. 44 (North Vancouver)

Minutes of the Public Meeting of the Board of Education, School District No. 44 (North Vancouver) held in the Mountain View Room of the Education Services Centre at 2121 Lonsdale Avenue in North Vancouver, British Columbia, on Tuesday, October 21, 2025.

PRESENT: L. Munro, Chair
A. Wilson, Vice Chair
D. Anderson
C. Gerlach
K. Mann
G. Tsiakos
L. Tumaneng

A. Call to Order

Board Chair Linda Munro called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

A.1. Acknowledgments

Board Chair Munro acknowledged the traditional territorial lands of the Sk̓wx̓wú7mesh (Squamish) Nation and səliłwətaʔ (Tsleil-Waututh) Nation.

A.2. Approval of Agenda

Moved by K. Mann

that the agenda as recommended in the Administrative Memorandum, be adopted.

Seconded by G. Tsiakos

Carried

A.3. Approval of Minutes

Moved by A. Wilson

that the minutes of the public board meeting of September 23, 2025, be approved as circulated.

Seconded by L. Tumaneng

Carried

A.4. Public Question/Comments

There were no public questions or comments received by the Board.

A.5. Educational Presentation: Feeding Futures

Dr. Pius Ryan, Superintendent, welcomed Tine Parker, District Administrator, Healthy Futures, to provide an update on food access programs, physical literacy, outdoor learning and community initiatives. The presenter responded to Trustees' questions.

B.1. Proposed Revised Policy 201: Learning Resources for Classroom Use

Dr. Ryan, Superintendent, introduced Directors of Instruction Suzette Dohm and Chanin Smyth who presented Proposed Revised Policy 201: Learning Resources for Classroom Use. They responded to Trustees' questions.

Moved by C. Gerlach

that the Board of Education approve Policy 201: Learning Resources as attached to this Administrative Memorandum of October 21, 2025.

Seconded by A. Wilson

Carried

Trustee Anderson moved to take the motion regarding Policy 201: Learning Resources from the table. It was seconded by Trustee Mann.

Trustee Anderson proposed an amendment to the policy language. He recommended revising the first sentence of the Policy Statement to, “*The Board of Education is committed to fostering developmentally appropriate and inclusive, resource-rich learning environments for all students that reflect diversity and ensure equitable access to educational materials.*”

Board Chair Munro tabled a motion regarding Trustee Anderson’s friendly amendment to the Policy Statement. The motion was carried.

Moved by D. Anderson

that the Board of Education approve Policy 201: Learning Resources as attached to this Administrative Memorandum of October 21, 2025, as amended.

Seconded by K. Mann

Carried

C. Gerlach - Opposed

G. Tsiakos and A. Wilson - Abstained

C.1. Enrollment Update

Superintendent Ryan introduced Assistant Superintendent Adam Baumann, who provided the enrolment update for Fall 2025; he responded to Trustees’ questions.

C.2. Organization of Classes Update

Assistant Superintendent Bauman and District Principal Administrative Services Brigette Gerandol presented the organization of classes update for Fall 2025. The presenters responded to Trustees’ questions.

C.3 Policy 416: Anti-Ableism – Administrative Procedures

Board Chair Munro spoke to this item and clarified that included in the meeting package is the latest version of the Administrative Procedures. The revisions have been highlighted since the version was provided in the September Board package.

C.4. Indigenous Education Council – Written Update

A written update on the Indigenous Education Council was included in the Board Package and was taken as read; no questions were asked.

C.5. Tuesday, October 7, 2025 Standing Committee Meeting

A written update on the Standing Committee Meeting was included in the Board Package f; no questions were asked.

C.6. Committee Reports – Written Update

A written update on the District Screening Committee was included in the Board Package; no questions were asked.

C.7. Land Management – Written Update

A written update on current land management projects was included in the Board Package; no questions were asked.

C.8. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Ryan provided an update to Trustees regarding return to school and start-up activities since the last meeting in September.

C.9. Report Out – British Columbia School Trustees Association (BCSTA) and BC Public School Employers' Association (BCPSEA)

Trustee Anderson provided an update regarding the BC School Trustees Association and Trustee Mann provided an update on British Columbia Public School Employers' Association.

C.10. Trustees' Reports/Highlights

Trustees shared their recent highlights, for activities from September 24, 2025 to October 21, 2025, with an emphasis on their roles as school liaisons.

Meetings attended by Trustees included:

- Public Board Meeting
- Standing Committee Meeting
- Trustee Seminars
- Policy Review Committee
- French Advisory Committee Meeting
- District Student Leadership Engagement Dinner and meeting
- Kindergarten Information Session
- BCPSEA Trustee Sessions
- BCSTA Metro Branch Meeting, Audit & Finance Committee, Legislative Committee, ELL Consortium
- City of North Vancouver Integrated Transportation Committee
- North Shore Standing Committee on Substance Use Meeting
- North Vancouver Parent Advisory Council General Meeting, Disability Advisory Committee and Anti-Racism Committee

Events attended by Trustees included:

- City of North Vancouver Mayor's Gala
- National Day for Truth and Reconciliation Day ceremonies
- Parent Advisory Committee Meetings at Handsworth Secondary, Queen Mary Elementary, Sherwood Park Elementary, Windsor Secondary,
- Various school visits or events: Blueridge Elementary, Carson Secondary, Cove Cliff Elementary, Dorothy Lynas Elementary, Handsworth Secondary, , Queen Mary Elementary, Sherwood Park Elementary, Sutherland Secondary, Upper Lynn Elementary

D. Future Meetings

The next Standing Committee and Public Board Meetings were included in the Board Package.

E. Public Question/Comment Period

Board Chair Munro called for questions and/or comments from the public noting that in accordance with Board policy, questions relating to personnel, negotiations or litigation must not be dealt with in a public session.

No questions or comments were brought forward.

F. Adjournment

The established agenda being completed, Board Chair Munro adjourned the meeting at 8:10 pm and thanked those who attended.

Certified Correct:

Original Signed by J. Stewart

Jacqui Stewart
Secretary Treasurer

November 18, 2025

Date

Original Signed by L. Munro

Linda Munro
Chair, Board of Education

November 18, 2025

Date