

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, April 23, 2019.

PRESENT: C. Sacré, Chair
G. Tsiakos, Vice Chair
C. Gerlach
M. Higgins
K. Mann
M. Tasi Baker

A. Call to Order

Chair Sacré called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. and welcomed those in attendance. The traditional territorial lands of the Squamish Nation and Tsleil-Waututh Nation were acknowledged. Chair Sacré acknowledged April 2nd as World Autism Day.

A.2. Approval of Agenda

Moved by G. Tsiakos

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

Seconded by M. Higgins

Carried

A.3. Moment of Silence - Day of Mourning for Persons Killed or Injured in the Workplace

Chair Sacré reminded those in attendance that April 28th is recognized as a Day of Mourning for Persons Killed or Injured in the Workplace. A moment of silence was observed.

A.4. Public Comment Period

The twenty minute comment period is intended to be relevant to the Board's mandate. The Chair requested that those wishing to speak should sign on the Public Comment Sign-Up Sheet.

There was no one wishing to speak.

A.5. Approval of Minutes

A correction to the minutes of March 12, 2019, was requested in Section C.1. to add: Trustees suggested that the School District create a working group to better inform parents and the community on the changes to the honour roll.

Moved by K. Mann

that the minutes of the public meeting of March 12, 2019, be approved as amended.

Seconded by M. Tasi Baker

Carried

A.6. Student Presentation – Dorothy Lynas Elementary School

Students Ava Knapp and Kiera Norman from Mrs. Lonneberg's Grade 7 class at Dorothy Lynas Elementary School shared with the Board of Education their project on "The Art of Storytelling". Ava and Keira explained about the project itself, the process they undertook to complete it and what they learned from it. The students presented a stop motion video that they created with the use of Lego as their final product.

A.6. Student Presentation – Dorothy Lynas Elementary School (continued)

On behalf of the Board, Chair Sacré and Superintendent Mark Pearmain thanked the students for their courage to present and for sharing their experience.

B.1. 2019/2020 Budget Consultation Update and Board Direction

In introducing the budget consultation update, Assistant Superintendent Chris Atkinson outlined the information and discussion sessions held at the February 5, 2019 and April 2, 2019 meetings of the Finance and Facilities Standing Committee provided for the School District partner groups; North Vancouver Parent Advisory Council (NVPAC), North Vancouver Teachers' Association (NVTAs), Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE Local 389), North Vancouver Administrators (NoVA), District Student Leadership Council (DSL), and the public.

At the April 2nd meeting and through the thoughtexchange platform, input was received regarding input on their budget priorities for the 2019/20 Preliminary Operating Grant. The input was collated and forwarded to the Executive Committee for recommendations. Executive Director of Human Resources Scott Stanley and Assistant Superintendents Chris Atkinson and Pius Ryan summarized the input as well as options the Executive Committee has proposed for the Board's consideration. Clarification was provided by the Executive Committee regarding recommended budget priorities and allocations.

Moved by M. Higgins

that the Board direct staff to proceed with the development of the 2019/20 Annual Budget incorporating the budget priorities recommended by the Executive Committee, as identified in Appendix A.

Seconded by M. Tasi Baker

Carried

B.2. Notice of Motion – Free Menstrual Products in Schools

At the March 12, 2019, Board of Education Meeting Trustee Gerlach provided a Notice of Motion Trustee regarding the installation of coin-free menstrual product dispensers in all girls' and universal restrooms in elementary and secondary schools. On April 5, 2019, the Minister of Education announced that all B.C. public schools are now required to provide free menstrual products for students in school bathrooms by the end of 2019. Given this directive, the need for discussion on this topic was considered unnecessary and Trustee Gerlach withdrew her recommended motion.

B.3. Change in Start Time for Public Board Meetings

Trustee Gerlach spoke to a proposed change in the start time for the Public Board Meetings. The suggestion was to start an hour earlier to ensure that staff, parents and trustees who have worked all day, can shorten their work day by an hour.

Moved by C. Gerlach

that the meeting time for the regularly scheduled Public Board meetings commence at 6:00 p.m., effective September 2019.

Seconded by K. Mann

An amendment to the motion was tabled to read:

Moved by M. Tasi Baker

that the meeting time for the regularly scheduled Public Board meetings commence at 6:30 p.m., effective September 2019.

Seconded by G. Tsiakos

Carried

B.3. Change in Start Time for Public Board Meetings (continued)

The main motion as amended was adopted, with the final wording being as follows:

Approved Motion with Amendment

that the meeting time for the regularly scheduled Public Board meetings commence at 6:30 p.m., effective September 2019.

Carried

C.1. Land Management Update

Superintendent Mark Pearmain updated the Board of Education on the Argyle and Handsworth Secondary School Replacement Projects, as well as the Mountainside Secondary Seismic Upgrade. It was also noted that Queen Mary Elementary School will be placing a second portable on site this summer due to the continued increase in enrollment.

C.2. Tuesday, April 2, 2019 Standing Committee Meeting

Trustee Tasi Baker reported on the meeting that focused on building the budget for 2019/20. The North Vancouver School District's partner groups were thanked for presenting their budget priorities.

C.3. Out of Country Field Trips – Secondary

Provided for their information, Trustees received in their agenda packages an overview of out of country field trips that are being planned for secondary students as follows:

- Sutherland Secondary School – field trip to Burlington, WA USA (April 12-14, 2019)

C.4. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Mark Pearmain shared updates from his visits to secondary and elementary schools as well as a visit to the Cheakamus Centre. Superintendent Pearmain acknowledged that the Province will be launching a Provincial Measles Immunization Campaign for families to catch-up on incomplete or missing vaccine immunizations.

C.5. Report Out - BC School Trustees Association (BCSTA) and BC Public Schools Employers' Association (BCPSEA)

Trustee Tasi Baker noted that the BCSTA AGM was being held from April 25 – 27, 2019, and that there were two motions that the North Vancouver Board of Education put forward on special needs and mental health.

C.6. Trustees' Reports

Trustees submitted their reports on their activities on behalf of the Board as follows:

1. Meetings attended by Trustees included:
 - Standing Committee Meeting
 - North Shore Restorative Justice Society AGM Meeting
 - Board Planning Committee Meeting
 - City of North Vancouver Awards & Selection Committee
 - School Food Programs Meeting with MP Wilkinson
 - Artist For Kids Committee Meeting
 - Communications Committee Meeting
 - Carson Family of Schools Planning Meeting
 - City of North Vancouver Advisory Planning Commission
 - Meeting with the District of North Vancouver Mayor
 - Budget Subcommittee Meeting

C.6. Trustees' Reports (continued)

2. Events attended by Trustees included:

- Presidents Council
- Trustee Reception
- Cheakamus Trustee Spring Luncheon
- Seymour Heights Visit
- Braemar Elementary Science Fair
- City of North Vancouver Safe Mobility Strategy Partners Workshop
- Carson Graham Road Safety Day
- Seycove International Day of Pink Celebration
- Sherwood Park School Visit
- Sutherland Family of Schools Blanket Exercise
- Brooksbank School Visit
- Queensbury School Visit
- Norgate Planning/Talking Circle
- Transportation Event held by Jordan Sturdy
- SFU Indigenous Master's Students Thesis Presentations
- Adler University Master's in Art Therapy Year End Presentations
- Student Art Display at the Gordon Smith Gallery

D. Future Meetings

Date and Time	Event	Location
Tuesday, May 7, 2019, at 7:00 p.m.	Education and Programs Standing Committee Meeting	Education Services Centre 2121 Lonsdale Ave, N Vancouver
Tuesday, May 21, 2019, at 7:00 p.m.	Public Board Meeting	Education Services Centre 2121 Lonsdale Ave, N Vancouver
Tuesday, June 18, 2019, at 7:00 p.m.	Public Board Meeting	Education Services Centre 2121 Lonsdale Ave, N Vancouver

E. Public Question & Comment Period

The Chair 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.

Amanda Nichol, Co-Chair of North Vancouver Parent Advisory Council, spoke with respect to the change in the start time of the Public Board Meetings. Ms. Nichol also noted that the thoughtexchange was a creative way for parents to have input on the 2019/20 budget.

F. Adjournment

The established agenda being completed, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 8:57 p.m. and thanked those who attended.

Certified Correct:

Original signed by G. Allison

Georgia Allison
Secretary Treasurer

May 21, 2019

Date

Original signed by C. Sacré

Christie Sacré
Chair, Board of Education

May 21, 2019

Date