

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, June 23, 2020.

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

A. Call to Order

Chair Christie Sacré called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and acknowledged the traditional territorial lands of the Squamish Nation and Tsleil-Waututh Nation. Chair Sacré thanked the staff, parents and students for their continued efforts and support during the challenges of COVID-19.

A.2. Approval of Agenda

Moved by K. Mann

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

Seconded by D. Bruce

Carried

A.3. Public Comment Period

Carolyn Pena, resident of North Vancouver and North Vancouver Teachers' Association representative, thanked the Board of Education for holding the Public Board Meeting in person. Ms. Pena spoke in support of service positions, noting that any cuts to staffing in the budget will impact these necessary services to students.

Lisa Murphy and Carolyn Taylor, residents of North Vancouver, spoke regarding the reduction of speech-language pathology services and psychologist services in school and how it would impact the students in the North Vancouver School District.

A.4. Approval of Minutes

Moved by D. Bruce

that the minutes of the public meeting of May 26, 2020, be approved as circulated.

Seconded by M. Higgins

Carried

B.1. Five-Year Capital Plan 2021/2022 (for Approval)

Each year, boards of education are required to submit a five-year Capital Plan providing details on high priority projects needed for their school districts. The deadline for the North Vancouver Board of Education adopting the Five-Year Capital Plan is June 30, 2020.

Jim Mackenzie, Director of Facilities and Planning, began his presentation by updating the Board of Education on the Long Range Facilities Plan (LRFP). Due to COVID-19, the LRFP is still being developed and the School District has not been able to bring it before the Capital Planning Committee; however, a current working draft LRFP was used to update enrolment projections which are required to support the Five-Year Capital Plan submission.

There are two major categories in the Capital Plan: Major Capital Funding Programs which are a five-year duration and Minor Capital Funding Programs, which are annual programs.

B.1. Five-Year Capital Plan 2021/2022 (for Approval) (continued)

An overview of the following was provided: the seismic mitigation program, new school program, school addition program and school replacement project, expansion and replacement projects for multiple schools, and school enhancement programs. The carbon neutral capital program, bus replacement program, and the playground equipment program were also discussed.

Responding to Trustees' questions, Mr. Mackenzie clarified there has been no confirmation for the new school site in the City of North Vancouver. Conversation with the City of North Vancouver continues to occur. Clarification was also provided on accessible playgrounds.

Moved by M. Higgins

that the Board approve the Draft 2021/2022 Five-Year Capital Plan as presented in Schedule B.1. of June 23, 2020.

Seconded by K. Mann

Carried

B.2. Corporate Banking Services

Board Chair Sacré introduced the following routine bylaw and resolutions as a consequence of a new Secretary Treasurer assigned signing authority.

(A) Bank of Montreal – Banking Bylaw 1-2020

Moved by D. Bruce

that Banking Bylaw Number 1-2020 be read a first time;

Seconded by M. Higgins

Carried

Moved by K. Mann

that Banking Bylaw Number 1-2020 be read a second time;

Seconded by G. Tsiakos

Carried

The Board unanimously agreed to proceed to a third reading of the bylaw.

Moved by C. Gerlach

that Banking Bylaw Number 1-2020 be read a third time, passed, and adopted.

Seconded by M. Tasi Baker

Carried

(B) Toronto-Dominion – Resolution re: Bankers and Signing Officers

Moved by C. Sacré

that the Toronto-Dominion Bank Resolution re: Bankers and Signing Officers as per Schedule B.2.(B). be approved.

Seconded by D. Bruce

Carried

(C) BlueShore Financial – Resolution re: Bankers and Signing Officers

Moved by M. Higgins

that the BlueShore Financial Bank Resolution re: Bankers and Signing Officers as per Schedule B.2.(C). be approved.

Seconded by G. Tsiakos

Carried

B.3. Standing Committee Update

Superintendent Mark Pearmain introduced this agenda item and shared that at earlier Public Board Meetings, the Board of Education updated *Policy 104: Board of Education – Meetings*; and, changes to *Policy 102: Board of Education – Committees and Representation* were necessary to align the policies.

B.3. Standing Committee Update (continued)

Moved by C. Gerlach

Carried

that the Board of Education approve the amended Proposed Revised Policy 102: Board of Education – Committees and Representation, as attached to this Administrative Memorandum of June 23, 2020.

Seconded by D. Bruce

B.4. School District No. 44 (North Vancouver) Annual Budget Bylaw for Fiscal Year 2020/21

As required under the School Act, the Board of Education must adopt its budget bylaw on or before June 30, 2020, for the 2020/21 fiscal year. Superintendent Pearmain introduced this agenda item by sharing the budget process with the Board of Education. Superintendent Pearmain provided highlights on how the School District is planning to address the impact of COVID-19.

Secretary Treasurer Georgia Allison, Executive Director of Human Resources Scott Stanley and Assistant Superintendents Chris Atkinson and Pius Ryan summarized revenue losses, staffing adjustments, operational changes, and the utilization of the accumulated operating surplus to balance the operating budget.

Director of Financial Services Kristen Watson presented the 2020/21 Preliminary Annual Budget in the amount of \$201,108,588, and provided an overview of the budget.

The Executive team provided clarification and responded to Trustees' questions.

Moved by D. Bruce

Carried

that School District No. 44 (North Vancouver) Annual Budget Bylaw for fiscal year 2020/21 be read a first time;

Seconded by G. Tsiakos

Moved by K. Mann

Carried

that School District No. 44 (North Vancouver) Annual Budget Bylaw for fiscal year 2020/21 be read a second time;

Seconded by C. Gerlach

The Board unanimously agreed to proceed to a third reading of the bylaw.

Moved by M. Tasi Baker

Carried

that School District No. 44 (North Vancouver) Annual Budget Bylaw for fiscal year 2020/21 be read a third time, passed and adopted.

Seconded by K. Mann

Motion to Extend

Moved by unanimous consent

to extend the meeting past 9:30 p.m.

A five minute break was observed.

C.1. Land Management Update

Superintendent Pearmain updated the Board of Education on the Argyle and Handsworth Secondary School Replacement Projects, as well as the Mountainside Secondary Seismic Upgrade. The Sutherland track grant application to the federal government for the rubberization of the surface was not successful, however, staff will continue to monitor opportunities for future grant applications. It was also noted that the Attorney General's Office of BC reached out with a request to use facilities over the summer.

C.2. Superintendent's Report

Providing an update to the Board of Education, Superintendent Mark Pearmain, shared how the School District was continuing to deal with COVID-19. Superintendent Pearmain thanked the employees across the School District for their remarkable work. A special thanks was provided to retiring Secretary Treasurer Georgia Allison and a welcome to the incumbent Secretary Treasurer Jacqui Stewart.

C.4. Report Out - BC School Trustees Association (BCSTA) and BC Public Schools Employers' Association (BCPSEA)

Trustee Tasi Baker had nothing to report for BCSTA. Trustee Gerlach had nothing to report for BCPSEA.

C.5. Trustees' Reports

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

1. Meetings attended by Trustees included:
 - Public Board Meeting
 - Trustee Seminar Meetings
 - Audit Committee Meeting
 - Policy Committee Meeting
 - Superintendent's Celebration of Student Excellence Luncheon – Virtual
 - Stakeholder Budget Meetings
 - Artists for Kids Committee Meeting
 - Physical Literacy for Communities Meeting
 - BC School Trustees Association Metro Meeting
2. Events attended by Trustees included:
 - Secondary School Graduation Events
 - North Vancouver Parent Advisory Committee Speaker Event
 - Public Art Panel – West Vancouver Community Arts Council Webinar
 - Cities in the time of COVID Webinar
 - Indigenous Youth Engagement and Climate Action Webinar
 - CNV4M3 Buckets of Hope

Notice of Motion

Trustee Gerlach advised that she had a notice of motion for addition to the September 22, 2020, Public Board Agenda. The notice of motion regarding an Anti-Racism Representative Working Group was received during the Trustees' Reports.

D. Future Meetings

| Date and Time | Event | Location |
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| Tuesday, September 15, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. | Standing Committee Meeting Education and Programs | Education Services Centre 2121 Lonsdale Ave, N Vancouver |
| Tuesday, September 22, 2020, at 6:30 p.m. | Public Board Meeting | Education Services Centre 2121 Lonsdale Ave, N Vancouver |
| Tuesday, October 6, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. | Standing Committee Meeting Finance and Facilities | Education Services Centre 2121 Lonsdale Ave, N Vancouver |
| Tuesday, October 20, 2020, at 6:30 p.m. | Public Board Meeting | Education Services Centre 2121 Lonsdale Ave, N Vancouver |

E. Public Question & Comment Period

There was no one wishing to speak.

F. Adjournment

The established agenda being completed, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 9:48 p.m. and thanked those who attended.

Certified Correct:

Original signed by J. Stewart

Jacqui Stewart
Secretary Treasurer

September 22, 2020

Date

Original signed by C. Sacré

Christie Sacré
Chair, Board of Education

September 22, 2020

Date