

**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, January 23, 2024.

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

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**A. Call to Order**

Board Chair Linda Munro called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

**A.1. Acknowledgments**

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

**A.2. Approval of Agenda**

Moved by A. Wilson

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

Seconded by K. Mann

Carried

**A.3. Approval of Minutes**

Moved by A. Wilson

that the minutes of the public meeting of December 19, 2023, be approved as amended to correct minor grammar; the revision has already been posted.

Seconded by D. Anderson

Carried

**A.4. Public Question/Comment Period**

No public comments relating to the agenda were received.

**A.5. Educational Presentation: District Student Leadership Council**

Dr. Pius Ryan, Superintendent, welcomed students from the Executive of the District Student Leadership Council. The students provided an overview of how the Council provides student voice and student perspective throughout the school district.

The presenters responded to Trustees' questions.

**B.1. Proposed Revised Policy 103: Board of Education – Policy Development**

Board Chair Munro provided the context for the proposed revisions to Policy 103. It was acknowledged that the date reference to revisions will be changed to January 23, 2024.

Moved by L. Munro

that the Board of Education approve Proposed Revised Policy 103: Board of Education – Policy Development, as attached to this Administrative Memorandum of January 23, 2024.

Seconded by A. Wilson

Carried

**B.2. Notice of Motions: British Columbia School Trustees Association for Annual General Meeting**

Trustee Gerlach provided the context for two motions being brought forward for consideration by the Board of Education at the BCSTA AGM April 2024. The motions were discussed and Trustee Gerlach responded to questions.

Moved by A. Wilson

that the North Vancouver Board of Education approve the substantive motion to increase funds to Minor Capital Programs to remove accessibility barriers, as attached to this memorandum of January 23, 2024.

Seconded by G. Tsiakos

Carried

Moved by C. Gerlach

that the North Vancouver Board of Education approve the extraordinary motion to amend the wording of the Foundational Statement Values, Section 1.2, as attached to this memorandum of January 23, 2024.

Seconded by G. Tsiakos

Carried

**C.1. Accessibility Plan Update**

Superintendent Dr. Ryan introduced Accessibility Advisory Committee Co-Chairs Mike Chapman, Assistant Director of Facilities, and Janis Mann, District Principal of Inclusive Education, to present an overview of the school district's Accessibility Plan.

The presenters responded to Trustees' questions.

**C.2 North Vancouver Teachers' Association Professional Development Report**

Superintendent Dr. Ryan introduced Katrina Russell, President of the North Vancouver Teachers' Association (NVTA) and Angelee Bulsara, Association's Professional Development Chair, to report on professional development offered during the 2022/23 school year.

The presenters responded to Trustees' questions.

**C.3. Committee Reports – Written Update**

Written updates on the Education Week Planning Committee, the Mentorship Program Organizing Committee and the Sustainability Committee were included in the Board Agenda Package, no questions were asked.

**C.4. Land Management – Written Update**

A written update on land management was included in the Board Agenda Package, Secretary Treasurer Jacqui Stewart and Assistant Director of Facilities Michael Chapman responded to Trustee's questions.

**C.6. Superintendent’s Report**

Chair Munro introduced Superintendent Dr. Ryan, to provide an update on activities across the school district over the past month.

Superintendent Dr. Ryan responded to Trustee’s questions.

**C.7. Report Out – British Columbia School Trustees Association (BCSTA) and BC Public School Employers’ Association (BCPSEA)**

Trustee Anderson provided an update on upcoming meetings for the BCSTA Provincial Council.

Trustee Gerlach provided an update on the upcoming AGM for the BC Public School Employers’ Association.

**C.8. Trustees’ Reports/Highlights**

Trustees shared their recent highlights, for activities from December 20, 2023 to January 23, 2024 with emphasis on their roles as school liaisons.

- **Meetings attended by Trustees included:**  
 Public Board Meeting  
 Trustee Seminar  
 Meeting with Mayor Buchanan, City of North Vancouver  
 District Student Leadership Council Meeting  
 Education Week Planning Committee Meeting  
 Integrated Transportation Committee Meeting  
 North Vancouver Parent Advisory Council Meeting  
 North Vancouver Recreation & Culture Commission Meeting  
 Parent Advisory Council Meetings at Handsworth Secondary School and Highlands Elementary School  
 Policy Review Committee Meeting  
 Safe and Healthy Schools Committee Meeting  
 BCSTA Meetings: Metro Branch, English Language Learners Consortium, Trustee Orientation Session on Financial and Resource Management
- **Events attended by Trustees included:**  
 School visits to Capilano Elementary, Handsworth Family of Schools Band Concert at Handsworth Secondary School, Mountainside Secondary and Seymour Heights Elementary School.

**D. Future Meetings**

<b>Date and Time</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Location</b>
Tuesday, February 6, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.	Standing Committee Meeting	Education Services Centre 2121 Lonsdale Ave North Vancouver
Tuesday, February 27, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.	Public Board Meeting	Education Services Centre 2121 Lonsdale Ave North Vancouver
Tuesday, March 5, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.	Standing Committee Meeting	Education Services Centre 2121 Lonsdale Ave North 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.

One question was asked in relation to the Land Management Update.

**F. Adjournment**

The established agenda being completed, Board Chair Munro adjourned the meeting at 7:58 p.m. and thanked those who attended.

Certified Correct:

Original signed by J. Stewart  
Jacqui Stewart  
Secretary Treasurer

Original signed by L. Munro  
Linda Munro  
Chair, Board of Education

February 27, 2024  
Date

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