

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 21, 2016.

PRESENT: C. Sacré, Chair
F. Stratton, Vice Chair
B. Forward
C. Gerlach
M. Higgins
S. Skinner
J. Stanley

A. Call to Order

Chair Sacré called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and welcomed those in attendance. The traditional territorial lands of the Squamish Nation and Tsleil Waututh Nation were acknowledged by the Chair, as well as the Signing of the third Aboriginal Education Enhancement Agreement. It was noted that this was the last meeting for Superintendent John Lewis after 37 years of service to the North Vancouver School District.

A.2. Approval of Agenda

Moved by F. Stratton

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

Seconded by J. Stanley

Carried

A.3. Public Comment Period

The ten minute comment period is intended to be restricted to items on the evening's Board Agenda. The Chair requested that those wishing to speak should sign on the Public Comment Sign-Up Sheet.

Cameron Carley, Grade 12 student at Windsor Secondary, spoke regarding the food items sold in School District cafeterias.

A.4. Approval of Minutes

Moved by F. Stratton

that the minutes of the public meeting of May 17, 2016 be approved as circulated.

Seconded by C. Gerlach

Carried

A.5. Community Presentation – Table Matters Network

Margaret Broughton, from Vancouver Coastal Health, and Jenn Meilleur, Table Matters Network Coordinator, provided the Board of Education with a brief update about the Table Matters Network and next steps that are needed to bring the Food Charter to life. Ms. Broughton and Ms. Meilleur presented a signed Food Charter to the Board.

A.6. Student Presentation – District Student Leadership Council Report

Members of the District Student Leadership Council (DSLCC): David Wilson (Argyle), Stella Yoo (Argyle), Christina Acton (Argyle), Cameron Carley (Windsor), Lauren Kellmann (Windsor) and Dina Sadeghi (Carson) introduced themselves to the Board.

A.6. Student Presentation – District Student Leadership Council Report (continued)

The students thanked the Board for an opportunity to recap some of the year's highlights as well as identifying DSLC goals for 2016/17. The District Student Leadership Council membership is comprised of likeminded students from across the District who are able to come together and voice an opinion on what is going on in the school environment around them. Members of the DSLC Executive, whenever possible, attend the various public meetings of the Board and sit on School District committees. As well as participation in BC Student Voice, the semi-annual student conference sponsored by the Ministry of Education, the DSLC annually hosts a student forum for NVSD students and this year's topic was #OurcurriculumOurVoice.

In closing, the DSLC representatives thanked the Board for the opportunity to allow students to have a voice and share their ideas and experiences. The Trustees encouraged members to take advantage of the Board's Public Comment Period to share information and ideas to a larger audience.

On behalf of the Board, the Chair thanked the students for their involvement and leadership and wished them all the best in the future.

B.1. 2015/16 Capital Plan

Secretary Treasurer Georgia Allison reported that the Ministry of Education recently changed the process for the approval of capital projects and the issuance of Certificates of Approval (COA). The School District's Five Year Capital Plan submissions and emergent issues are identified by the School District annually, or at the request of the Ministry of Education. Under the new process:

- the School District submits its Five Year Capital Plan that has been approved by resolution of the Board;
- the Ministry provides a letter of support for specific capital projects;
- the School District passes a single Bylaw for the Ministry identified projects.

It is noteworthy that the Ministry of Education's letter now replaces the previous "echo check" document that had previously identified the Ministry's agreement of the Five Year Capital Plan.

The Board of Education is now required to pass a bylaw that will allow the School District to sign Project Agreements and proceed with the respective projects.

Moved by C. Gerlach

that School District No. 44 (North Vancouver) Capital Project Bylaw No.1516CP44-01 be read a first time;

Seconded by S. Skinner

Carried

Moved by F. Stratton

that School District No. 44 (North Vancouver) Capital Project Bylaw No.1516CP44-01 be read a second time;

Seconded by B. Forward

Carried

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

Moved by S. Skinner

that School District No. 44 (North Vancouver) Capital Project Bylaw No.1516CP44-01 be read a third time, passed and adopted.

Seconded by J. Stanley

Carried

B.2. Proposed Revised Policy 208: Summer Programs

Superintendent John Lewis introduced this agenda item noting that with consideration to the motion by the Board at its Public Meeting on May 17, 2016 to defer *Proposed Revised Policy 208: Summer Programs*, the *Policy* has undergone a change in text. In the opening statement of *Proposed Revised Policy 208: Summer Programs*, the word “inclusive” was inserted in the description of the pathways to education.

Moved by C. Gerlach

that the Board of Education approve *Proposed Revised Policy 208: Summer Programs*, as attached to this Administrative Memorandum of June 21, 2016.

Seconded by S. Skinner

Carried

B.3. Official Naming of the Education Services Centre

In introducing this agenda item, Trustee Barry Forward shared that the recent First Nation's gifting of a name for the Education Services Centre provided an opportunity to discuss and formalize a naming policy.

Moved by F. Stratton

that the North Vancouver Board of Education's Policy Review Committee put the creation and finalization of a naming policy back on its agenda and put it at the top of the Committee's workflow plan; and,

that the committee bring recommendations for the new naming policy to the Board for approval by February 2017.

Seconded by B. Forward

Carried

B.4. Community Presentation

Trustee Jessica Stanley introduced this agenda item, stating that the narration suggests expanding the Public Comment Period at the beginning of the meeting and inviting comments that are beyond the agenda items.

Moved by F. Stratton

that the Board initiate a pilot project that changes the 10 minute public comment period at the beginning of the Board meeting agenda to 20 minutes, invites comments that are relevant to the Board's mandate and that are not necessarily related to items on that meeting's agenda, and allows for an additional 10 minutes for trustee questions of clarification, but not debate; and,

that an asterisk be added after the first mention of Public Comment Period on public Board meeting agendas and the following be added to the bottom of the agendas " * Additional Community Presentations or Delegations are welcomed with advanced notice - see Policy 104 and its Administrative Procedures" with a live link to the Administrative Procedures page of Policy 104; and,

that the Board change the name 'Delegation' within the administrative procedures of Policy 104 and find ways to better communicate this opportunity more broadly; and,

that during this pilot period, the Board initiate an adhoc working group of Trustees and staff to review all segments of agenda(s) for Board public meetings within policy 104 to identify other opportunities to enhance community input and communication; and,

that the administrative procedures be referred to the Policy Review Committee for development to enable input from our partner groups and back to the Board for final approval.

Seconded by J. Stanley

Carried

B.5. Administrative Savings

Trustee Barry Forward provided the narration for this agenda item, encouraging discussion on the Ministry of Education's redirecting of \$25M in administrative savings from school districts.

Responding to Trustees' questions, Secretary Treasurer Georgia Allison and Superintendent John Lewis clarified the timeline and processes that would apply restrictions to how and when funds could be allocated. It was determined that a larger conversation should take place in September 2016 when more information becomes available.

C.1. Elementary School Fees 2016/17

Superintendent of Schools John Lewis introduced this item and noted that, in accordance with [Policy 706: School Fees](#), the elementary fees included in the Board agenda package for Trustees' information have been reviewed by school administrators consulting with appropriate staff, students and Parent Advisory Council. Superintendent Lewis noted that the range of fees is based on cost recovery and Trustees are encouraged to contact their individual schools for clarification.

C.2. 2015/16 Year In Review

Deneka Michaud, Communications Manager, provided a reflection on some of the highlights and significant events that took place in the School District during the 2015/16 school year through a video presentation.

C.3. Three-Year Operating Plan

John Lewis, Superintendent of Schools, presented the [Three-Year Operating Plan 2015-2018; 2016 Progress Indicators](#) which highlighted the progress achieved during the 2015/2016 school year that supports the key goals and priorities within the Three-Year Operating Plan.

C.4. Public Board Meetings 2016/17 (Tentative Schedule)

Chair Sacré referred Trustees to the *Tentative Schedule - Public Board Meetings 2016/17* prepared in accordance with Board [Policy 104: Boards of Education – Meetings](#). The schedule including Standing Committee dates will be finalized in September 2016.

C.5. Land, Learning and Livability Community Engagement - Update

John Lewis, Superintendent of Schools, introduced this agenda item and provided a brief update on the full replacement of Argyle Secondary, as well as a status update of Handsworth Secondary, an approved Seismic Project.

C.6. Tuesday, June 14, 2016 Standing Committee Meeting

Trustee Barry Forward reported on the meeting that focused on School Planning Processes within the North Vancouver School District.

C.7. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Lewis noted that the following items are included in the Superintendent's Blog (<http://blog44.ca/superintendent>):

- Foods that Fit Workshop
- Primary Days of Music 2016
- Lynnmour School Naming – Xá7elcha
- Reconciliation Through Story
- Swangard Track Meet 2016

- National Aboriginal Day – June 21, 2016

C.8. Report Out - BC School Trustees Association (BCSTA) and BC Public Schools Employers' Association (BCPSEA)

Trustee Cyndi Gerlach reported that she has been appointed as the representative for the Aboriginal Committee for BCSTA. Trustee Megan Higgins noted the new process for the development of motions for BCSTA AGM and PC.

C.9. 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
- Standing Committee Meeting
- Trustee Seminar
- French Immersion Committee Meeting
- Inclusion Meeting
- Table Matters Meeting
- President's Council Meeting

2. Events attended by Trustees included:

- Swangard Track and Field Event
- Board of Education Retirement Dinner
- ESC Naming Ceremony
- Signing of the Aboriginal Education Enhancement Agreement
- North Shore Congress
- Graduation Ceremony's
- Superintendents Lunch
- Carson Graham Secondary Exit Interviews
- Carson Graham Jazz Night
- Roots of Empathy Year End Event
- Sherwood Park Elementary Breakfast
- Highlands Elementary Outdoor Learning Space
- Eastview Elementary National Aboriginal Day Ceremony
- Environmental Learning Committee Year End Event

D. Future Meetings

Future public meetings of the Board were previously addressed in Item C.4. Public Board Meetings 2016/17 (Tentative Schedule).

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.

There was no one wishing to speak.

F. Adjournment

The established agenda being completed, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 9:39 pm and thanked those who attended.

Certified Correct:

Original signed by G. Allison

Georgia Allison
Secretary Treasurer

September 20, 2016

Date

Original signed by C. Sacré

Christie Sacré
Chair, Board of Education

September 20, 2016

Date