

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, May 16, 2017.

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

ABSENT: S. Skinner

A. Call to Order

Chair Sacré called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm and welcomed those in attendance. The traditional territorial lands of the Squamish Nation and Tsleil-Waututh Nation were acknowledged. The recent provincial election referenced, recognizing and thanking the incoming and outgoing MLAs for North Vancouver.

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 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.

Marnie Gibin, Karyn Magnussan, Marlis Yassin, Parvinder Hardwich, Tracey Lebedawich and Angela Santoro, all residents of North Vancouver, spoke to the proposed learning spaces at Highlands Elementary School. It was requested that the School District look at alternative options for kindergarten students coming in for the 2017/18 school year.

Mary Sparks, resident of North Vancouver, spoke to her requirements as a School District counsellor, asking that the School District maintain the current time she has to address the needs of students.

Nicole Cook, resident of North Vancouver, spoke on behalf of Top Drawer Daycare, noting the space issues for parents and providing a proposal for alternative options. Ms. Cook requested a delegation in front of the Board at the June 20, 2017 Public Board Meeting.

A.4. Approval of Minutes

A correction to the minutes of April 18, 2017 was requested in Section C.5. to change AKF to AFK.

Moved by F. Stratton

that the minutes of the public meeting of April 18, 2017 be approved as amended.

Seconded by B. Forward

A.5. Student Presentation – Argyle Secondary

Students from Argyle Secondary School presented their journey to Vimy Ridge and other historical sites related to World War I and World War II. Through photos and videos, the students shared the most memorable and remarkable moments.

Seeing the historical sites and war zones first hand had a meaningful impact the students and on how they continued to study throughout the year. The students shared that they hope that trips like this continue so other students have the opportunity to enrich their education and knowledge.

Trustees thanked the students from Argyle Secondary for their presentation.

A.6. Student Presentation – Carson Graham Secondary Global Initiatives

The Global Initiatives and Leadership course is a student leadership program with a focus on global service projects as well as local service initiatives. This past Spring Break, 31 students from the course travelled to the Dominican Republic to participate in a service trip. The group has partnered with Dominican communities since 2011 helping bring sustainable and meaningful change for families living in poverty.

Rob Olson, Carson Graham's Global Initiatives and Leadership Teacher, introduced the program and shared with the Board that not only does this trip impact the families in the Dominican Republic, it impacts the students who get to experience the culture and customs of a third world country.

The following members of the Global Initiatives and Leadership course were presented to the Board: Chloe Brebner (Grade 11), Parsa Khodabashki (Grade 11) and Liam Olsen (Grade 11). The students provided highlights, through photos and videos, of their recent trip to the Dominican Republic to complete humanitarian work through active participation in construction projects for impoverished families and experiencing the daily life of those living in poverty.

In response to Trustees' questions, the students relayed what they had taken away from this experience, sharing that this trip had taught them lessons that you can't learn in a classroom. This experience allowed the students to focus their goals for the future and be thankful for the opportunities that are provided to them in Canada and in North Vancouver.

A.7. North Vancouver Sport and Recreation Council Presentation

The North Vancouver Sport and Recreation Council is a non-profit society that provides a common voice for sport and recreation in North Vancouver. Mr. Bruce Tout, Vice Chair of the Council, presented the results of a survey that was sent out regarding the communities' needs and wants for sports facilities in North Vancouver.

Mr. Tout shared a needs assessment summary with the Board. The following North Vancouver needs were discussed: a new competition track and field facility, lights for outdoor courts, replacing two all-weather fields, a new curling rink and creating an indoor track facility.

The North Vancouver Sport and Recreation Council requested that the School District meet to consult on the facility needs in order to ensure that youth in North Vancouver have the ability to pursue active and healthy lives.

C.1. Annual Facilities Grant

Secretary Treasurer Georgia Allison reported that the Ministry of Education recently announced the allocation of the Annual Facilities Grant (AFG) for 2017/18. The North Vancouver School District will receive a total of \$2,945,252 which is the same net grant received in the prior year. The 2017/18 allocation is split between operating funds (\$626,273) and capital funds (\$2,318,979). A deduction of \$53,310 will be made from the operating portion of the funding allocation to pay for the North Vancouver School District's share of the Capital Asset Management System (CAMS).

Secretary Treasurer Allison invited to the table Jim Mackenzie, Director of Facilities and Planning, and Mike Chapman, Assistant Director of Facilities and Planning, to provide further information and respond to Trustees' questions.

C.2. Elementary School Fees 2017/18

Superintendent of Schools Mark Pearmain 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 Pearmain noted that the range of fees is based on cost recovery and Trustees are encouraged to contact their individual schools for clarification.

C.3. Land, Learning and Livability Community Engagement - Update

Mark Pearmain, Superintendent of Schools, introduced this agenda item and updated the Board on the Argyle Secondary School Replacement Project and the Handsworth Secondary School Project. Clarity was provided to the Trustees on the field options that are being discussed for the Argyle Secondary Replacement Project.

C.4. Tuesday, April 25, 2017 Standing Committee Meeting

Trustee Sacré reported on the meeting that focused on, and provided a comprehensive overview of, the restored language that will be in place for September 2017.

C.5. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Mark Pearmain shared highlights of his visits to elementary and secondary schools. Recognition was provided to the students from the North Vancouver School District who received awards at the City and District Civic Youth Awards, which were attended by members of the Executive Committee.

C.6. Report Out - BC School Trustees Association (BCSTA) and BC Public Schools Employers' Association (BCPSEA)

There was nothing to report out on BCSTA or BCPSEA.

C.7. 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
 - Trustee Seminar
 - Calendar Committee Meeting
 - Seclusion and Restraint Committee Meeting

C.7. Trustees' Reports (continued)

- Inclusion Meeting
 - PAC Meetings
 - ITC Meeting
 - Table Matters Meeting
 - AFK Management Committee Meeting
2. Events attended by Trustees included:
- Primary Days of Music
 - All Candidates Meeting
 - BCSTA AGM
 - NVPAC Physical Literacy Event
 - Friendship Bench at Sutherland Secondary
 - North Vancouver District Civic Youth Awards
 - City of North Vancouver Civic Youth Awards
 - Ridgeway Elementary Spring Fair
 - VSO Honours Concert

D. Future Meetings

Date and Time	Event	Location
Tuesday, June 13, 2017 at 7:00 pm	Standing Committee Public Meeting	Education Services Centre 2121 Lonsdale Ave, N Vancouver
Tuesday, June 20, 2017 at 7:00 pm	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.

There was no one wishing to speak.

F. Adjournment

The established agenda being completed, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 9:51 pm and thanked those who attended.

Certified Correct:

Original signed by G. Allison

Georgia Allison
Secretary Treasurer

June 21, 2017

Date

Original signed by C. Sacré

Christie Sacré
Chair, Board of Education

June 21, 2017

Date