

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 Wednesday, June 20, 2018.

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

ABSENT: S. Skinner

A. Call to Order

Chair Sacré called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm and welcomed those in attendance. The traditional territorial lands of the Squamish Nation and Tsleil-Waututh Nation were acknowledged.

A.2. Approval of Agenda

Moved by F. Stratton

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

Seconded by B. Forward

Carried

Motion to Approve Trustee Participation by Teleconference

Moved by C. Sacré, Seconded by B. Forward, Carried

WHEREAS Section 67 of the *School Act* permits Trustees to participate in or attend a meeting of the Board by telephone or other means of communication if all Trustees and other persons participating in or attending the meeting are able to communicate with each other;

the Board hereby approves the participation by Trustee Stanley in the June 20, 2018 Public Meeting by telephone.

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.

There was no one wishing to speak.

B.1. Proposed Revised Policy 306: Suspected Child Abuse

Brad Baker, District Principal, Safe and Caring Schools, introduced this agenda item and noted that in 2016/17, Mark Pearmain, Superintendent of Schools, established the Policy 306 Sub-Committee. The Sub-Committee included representatives from the Canadian Union of Public Employees Local 389, North Vancouver Administrators, North Vancouver Teachers' Association, North Vancouver School District, Ministry of Children and Family Development (MCFD), the North Vancouver RCMP and parents.

Mr. Baker highlighted the proposed changes to Policy 306: Suspected Child Abuse and provided clarification on the process for reporting and the relationship with the Ministry of Children and Family Development.

B.1. Proposed Revised Policy 306: Suspected Child Abuse (continued)

Trustees shared their concerns with the administrative procedures for *Policy 306: Suspected Child Abuse* noting that the procedures do not fit the directions for calling MCFD.

Moved by J. Stanley

that the Board of Education approve *Proposed Revised Policy 306: Suspected Child Abuse*, as attached to this Administrative Memorandum of June 20, 2018; and add into the policy language, in point one, that identifies sexual abuse as the use of a child for sexual gratification which includes sexual touching as well as non-touching abuse.

Seconded by M. Higgins

Carried

B.2. Proposed New Policy 710: Operating Surplus

Director of Financial Services Kristen Watson presented proposed new Policy 710: Operating Surplus to the Board. This policy will act as a means to strengthen school district financial reporting, and increase the financial literacy of Trustees.

Earlier this year, the North Vancouver School District Audit Committee established a sub-committee to draft an Accumulated Operating Surplus Policy. The sub-committee included all members of the Audit Committee, as well as the Superintendent, Secretary Treasurer, and Director of Finance. The draft policy accomplished three goals. Firstly, the policy affirms the Board's commitment to good governance and financial accountability. Secondly, the policy helps to inform the reader as to what Accumulated Operating Surplus is, and how it is created. Lastly, the policy commits the Board to undertake a thorough review of the Accumulated Operating Surplus balance and clearly identify specific appropriations each year.

Moved by C. Gerlach

that the Board of Education approve *Proposed New Policy 710: Accumulated Operating Surplus*, as attached to this Administrative Memorandum of June 20, 2018.

Seconded by F. Stratton

Carried

B.3. Canadian Revenue Agency – Resolution re: Officers

Director of Financial Services Kristen Watson noted that as a result of Finance Department staffing changes, a resolution regarding delegation of authority to authorize representatives for the purposes of obtaining and communicating with the CRA regarding Business Account information is required.

Moved by B. Forward

that the CRA Resolution: Authorized Representatives be approved.

Seconded by F. Stratton

Carried

B.4. Argyle Secondary School Covenant Bylaw

Secretary Treasurer Georgia Allison introduced this agenda item sharing that the District of North Vancouver (DNV) requires a Section 219 Covenant to be registered on the Lands Title for Argyle Secondary School. During the DNV's Building Permit review process, the DNV flagged that the Argyle Secondary School Lands are situated in an area which is subject to, or is likely to be subject to certain natural hazards, including flooding and erosion.

This covenant places a notice on title to ensure that the land will not be subdivided, built upon or used for habitation except in strict accordance with all of the recommendations, conditions, suggestions and specifications set out in the School District's Professional Engineer's Hydrotechnical Report. Further, the Section 219 Covenant serves to have the School District as the Owner indemnify the DNV in relation to all current work and future projects undertaken on the Land.

B.4. Argyle Secondary School Covenant Bylaw (continued)

Moved by B. Forward

that School District No. 44 (North Vancouver) Argyle Secondary School Covenant Bylaw be read a first time;

Seconded by F. Stratton

Carried

Moved by F. Stratton

that School District No. 44 (North Vancouver) Argyle Secondary School Covenant Bylaw 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 C. Gerlach

that School District No. 44 (North Vancouver) Argyle Secondary School Covenant Bylaw be read a third time, passed and adopted.

Seconded by M. Higgins

Carried

B.5. Student Trustee

Trustee Forward provided rationale for this agenda item noting that the opinions of students in the North Vancouver School District is an important and critical component of the decision-making process for the Board of Education. The creation of the role of Student Trustee would provide a regular and direct opportunity for student voice to be heard at the Board table.

Moved by B. Forward

that the Board of Education support the development of a Student Trustee with the District Student Leadership Council to be implemented in the 2018/19 school year.

Seconded by C. Gerlach

Carried

C.1. Public Board Meetings 2018/19 (Tentative Schedule)

Chair Sacré referred Trustees to the *Tentative Schedule - Public Board Meetings 2018/19* prepared in accordance with Board [Policy 104: Boards of Education – Meetings](#). The schedule including Standing Committee dates will be finalized in September 2018.

C.2. Land Management Update

Superintendent Mark Pearmain updated the Board on the Argyle Secondary and Handsworth Secondary School Replacement Projects. DGS Construction has been chosen as the contractor for the Argyle Secondary School Project. The school safety plan has been updated due to the construction constraints on the site, including the school exiting signage, fire exiting plan and mustering location. KMBR Architects Planners Inc. continues to work through the high level design process on the Handsworth project. The Project Definition Report (PDR) is completed for Mountainside Secondary School.

C.3. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Mark Pearmain shared highlights from his visits to Seycove and Windsor Secondary Schools and Sherwood Park Elementary School. Superintendent Pearmain acknowledged music teachers in the School District for a successful Primary Days of Music and acknowledged the organizing leadership team of the Swangard Elementary Track and Field Meet.

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

Chair Sacré updated Trustees on the BCSTA Metro Meeting. BCPSEA representative Trustee Gerlach noted that the K-12 sector is reaching an agreement with CUPE.

C.5. 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
 - Audit Committee Meeting
 - Advisory Planning Commission Meeting
 - Restraint and Seclusion Committee Meeting
 - Blueridge PAC Meeting
 - North Shore Safety Council Meeting
 - Meeting with Teacher and Counsellors
 - Meeting with Sutherland Secondary students regarding Physics
 - Presidents Council Meeting
 - Integrated Transportation Committee Meeting
 - Advisory Planning Committee Meeting

2. Events attended by Trustees included:
 - Welcome Pole Blessing Ceremony
 - Board Retirement Dinner
 - Green Tea Event
 - Superintendent's Luncheon
 - Roots of Empathy
 - Swangard Track and Field Meet
 - Squamish Nation Graduation
 - Secondary Graduation Ceremonies
 - Carson Graham Initiatives Presentations
 - Sutherland Secondary presentation to City staff
 - Eastview Elementary "Secret Path" Presentation
 - French Immersion Breakfast at Windsor Secondary
 - Mountainside Secondary Announcement
 - NVPAC AGM
 - Windsor Secondary Principal Shadow
 - Thank you Social for SOGI

Notice of Motion

Trustee Stratton advised that she had a notice of motion for addition to the September 2018 Public Board Meeting. The notice of motion was received during the Trustees' Reports.

MOTION

Whereby the Board of Education can discuss the approval of a specific Ministry approved BAA called H.O.P.E for Boys Leadership 11, as currently offered in Abbotsford B.C., in the North Vancouver School District for introduction into the 2019/20 school year.

D. Future Meetings

Date and Time	Event	Location
Wednesday, June 27, 2018 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.

Karen Nordquist, resident of North Vancouver, spoke regarding the presentation of the budget, noting the amount of information was hard to process. Ms. Nordquist urged the Board to allow equitable access to education by increasing the amount of learning support teachers.

F. Adjournment

The established agenda being completed, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 9:29 pm and thanked those who attended.

Certified Correct:

Original signed by G. Allison

Georgia Allison
Secretary Treasurer

October 4, 2018

Date

Original signed by C. Sacré

Christie Sacré
Chair, Board of Education

October 4, 2018

Date