

**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SCHOOL DISTRICT 41 - BURNABY**

A Public Session meeting of the Board of Education of School District 41 - Burnaby was held in the Boardroom at 7:00 pm on Monday, January 9, 2017.

**Present**

Trustees Ron Burton (Chair), Meiling Chia, Katrina Chen, Larry Hayes, Baljinder Narang, Harman Pandher and Gary Wong; Superintendent of Schools Gina Niccoli-Moen, Secretary-Treasurer Russell Horswill, Assistant Superintendents Roberto Bombelli, Heather Hart and Wanda Mitchell, Deputy Secretary-Treasurer Roy Uyeno and Executive Assistant Sandra Brunner.

**Agenda**

It was moved by Larry Hayes and seconded by Harman Pandher:

*THAT the agenda be approved, as presented.*

Carried unanimously.

**Good News**

Harman Pandher presented Good News items from various Burnaby schools, as attached.

**Minutes**

It was moved by Baljinder Narang and seconded by Katrina Chen:

*THAT the minutes of the Public Session meeting of December 12, 2016 be approved, as presented.*

Carried unanimously.

## **Superintendent`s Report**

### Career Education and Applied Design Skills and Technologies in the New Curriculum

Career Education and Applied Design Skills and Technologies (ADST) are integral aspects of the new K-12 curriculum and Burnaby School District is making sure students are able to acquire competencies in these areas to meet the challenges of an ever-changing world. Paul Arthur, Program Consultant, Career Education and Transition Programs, outlined Burnaby's Career Education and ADST programs. The district aims to make education more practical and purposeful and provide students with a competitive advantage as they discover their passions. Students are being provided with opportunities for project-based learning and will continue to participate in events like Float Your Boat, Work BC's Find Your Fit, the Tomorrow Today Innovation Challenge and Skills Canada competitions will continue.

Mr. Arthur introduced the following students who described some of the projects they were working on: Suah Hong (Grade 4, Taylor Park): research on witchcraft; Yi Ming Su (Grade 4, Taylor Park): research on mediaeval religion; Ayesha Saren (Grade 7, Stride Avenue): how construction workers review building blueprints to discover construction problems and Zekie Ramirez (Grade 7, Stride Avenue): building a house complete with furniture and wiring it using electrical circuits. Secondary students Haley Wispinski and Julea Wong (Moscrop) described a day spent at EA Sports and how they had learned, among other things, to change the coding of a video game.

It was moved by Baljinder Narang and seconded by Larry Hayes:

*THAT the Superintendent's Report be received, as presented.*

Carried unanimously.

## **Committee Reports**

### Youth and Community Services Committee

It was moved by Baljinder Narang and seconded by Gary Wong:

*THAT the Youth and Community Services Committee Report be received, as presented.*

Carried unanimously.

**District Operations – Administrative Services**

It was moved by Meiling Chia and seconded by Harman Pandher:

*THAT the Board receive and approve the Superintendent's District Operations – Administrative Services Report, as presented.*

Carried unanimously.

**Adjournment**

It was moved by Baljinder Narang and seconded by Larry Hayes:

*THAT the meeting be adjourned at 7:52 pm.*

Carried unanimously.

Original signed:

Ron Burton  
Chair

Russell Horswill, DBA  
Secretary-Treasurer