

**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 7:00 pm on Monday, May 8, 2017.

Present

Trustees Ron Burton (Chair), Meiling Chia, 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 and Executive Assistant Sandra Brunner.

Agenda

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

THAT the agenda be approved, as presented.

Carried unanimously.

Delegations

Special Olympics

Mr. Clint Morrison, Director of the Burnaby Association for Community Inclusion, made a presentation on the Special Olympics and his own efforts to raise funds for the Surrey Special Olympics.

BASES

Mr. Gary Johanson, Director of the Burnaby Association for the South East Side, and Mr. Balraj Dhillon, Byrne Creek Community School Coordinator, made a presentation on BASES. The non-profit organization operates a thrift store that generates funds to support six of the district's schools.

Danakin Seah, student from Byrne Creek, described his leadership of a music program funded by BASES that involved 60 students and 4 volunteers. Sufi Ahmed,

captain of Byrne Creek's senior boys' basketball team, described the support provided by BASES that enabled the team to participate in various tournaments, including a trip to Nanaimo.

Mr. Johanson presented to Trustees a mock cheque for \$73,000, representing the contribution that will have been made by BASES to the six schools by the end of the 2016/17 school year.

Good News

Larry Hayes presented Good News items from various Burnaby schools, as attached.

Minutes

It was moved by Harman Pandher and seconded by Baljinder Narang:

THAT the minutes of the Public Session meeting of April 24, 2017 be approved, as presented.

Carried unanimously.

Superintendent's Report

Blues and Bites 2017

Blues and Bites is an annual fundraiser to provide services, education and support to children and adults on the Autism Spectrum throughout British Columbia. Chef Stephen Wade and students from Burnaby's ACE-IT Cooks Training program participated in the preparation of food for the evening. Students Julie Huang and Jovan Illic described their experience for Trustees and shared some slides of their work preparing food for the fundraiser.

Burnaby's Got Talent

Reece Avila and Nicholas Williams, Vice-Presidents of the District Student Advisory Council, described this year's Burnaby's Got Talent competition, an annual event that showcases talented students from the district's eight secondary schools. Funds raised from this year's competition will go to the Helping Families in Need Society.

Jorry Luz, Lynn Rosa Meyer and June Lee showcased their performances for Trustees.

It was moved by Larry Hayes and seconded by Meiling Chia:

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 Larry Hayes:

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

Carried unanimously.

Education Committee

It was moved by Harman Pandher and seconded by Baljinder Narang:

THAT the Education Committee Report be received, and the recommendations contained therein be received, as presented.

Carried unanimously.

District Operations – Administrative Services

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

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 8:03 pm.

Carried unanimously.

Original signed

Ron Burton
Chair

Russell Horswill, DBA
Secretary-Treasurer