

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

A Public Session meeting of the Burnaby Board of Education was held in the Board Room at 7:07 pm on Tuesday, May 22, 2012.

**Present**

Trustees Larry Hayes (Chair), Ron Burton, Meiling Chia, Baljinder Narang, Harman Pandher and Gary Wong; Superintendent of Schools Claudio Morelli, Acting Secretary-Treasurer Gina Niccoli-Moen, Assistant Superintendents Heather Hart and Kevin Kaardal and Executive Assistant Sandra Brunner.

**Agenda**

It was moved by Gary Wong and seconded by Meiling Chia:

*THAT the agenda be approved, as presented.*

Carried unanimously.

**Good News**

Baljinder Narang presented Good News items from various Burnaby schools, as attached.

**Approval of Minutes**

It was moved by Ron Burton and seconded by Meiling Chia:

*THAT the minutes of the Public Session of May 8, 2012 be approved, as presented.*

Carried unanimously.

**Board Chair Report**

Chair Larry Hayes commented on the recent decision by the Cowichan Valley Board of Education to submit a deficit budget to the Ministry of Education and to risk being replaced by a ministry-appointed administrator. While he applauded the Cowichan Board's stand, Mr. Hayes noted that Burnaby has decided to work within the system as it believes a democratically-elected board working with

students, parents, partner groups and the community is the most effective way to keep the district as healthy as possible.

It was moved by Ron Burton and seconded by Harman Pandher:

*That the Board receive and approve the Board Chair Report, as presented.*

Carried unanimously.

## **Superintendent's Report**

### BC School for the Deaf – Gallaudet University Experience

BCSD Vice-Principal Christine Ehrlich-Brady, grade 11 student Brandi Curley and grade 12 student Amarjit Mangat shared with Trustees the highlights of their recent visit to Gallaudet University in Washington, DC, the world's only university specifically for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing.

### District Student Advisory Committee Film Festival

Burnaby Central Secondary Principal Garth Errico outlined DSAC's annual fundraiser event. This year DSAC organized a film festival and raised over \$1,400 for the Pacific Assistance Dogs Society. DSAC President Ryan Hiraikida presented the winning film the *Burnaby Central Lip-Dub* and described the creation of the project.

### 2012/2013 Student Fees

In accordance with the *School Act*, Superintendent of Schools Claudio Morelli presented for board approval the schedule of school fees for the 2012/2013 school year. There were no changes from last year's fees.

It was moved by Ron Burton and seconded by Harman Pander:

*THAT the Board approve the attached 2012/2013 fee schedule, as presented.*

Carried unanimously.

It was moved by Ron Burton and seconded by Harman Pandher:

*THAT the Superintendent's Report be received, and the recommendations contained therein be approved, as presented.*

Carried unanimously.

Baljinder Narang left the meeting at 7:51 p.m.

## **Correspondence**

It was moved by Ron Burton and seconded by Meiling Chia:

*THAT the letter from Minister of Education George Abbott in response to the Board's letter regarding Bill 22, the Education Improvement Act, be received.*

Carried unanimously.

It was moved by Ron Burton and seconded by Gary Wong:

*THAT the letter from Minister of Education George Abbot regarding support for the seismic upgrading of Alpha Secondary School, be received.*

Carried unanimously.

Baljinder Narang returned to the meeting at 7:53 p.m.

It was moved by Meiling Chia and seconded by Baljinder Narang:

*THAT the letter from Kinder Morgan's Manager of Land & Right-of-Way Bob Love regarding future plans for the Trans Mountain Pipeline, be received.*

Carried unanimously.

## **Committee Reports**

### Education Committee Report

It was moved by Ron Burton and seconded by Baljinder Narang:

*THAT the Education Committee Report be received, with the recommendation on item 2 amended to read "That effective July 1, 2012, the Board approve for Continuing Education and Burnaby On-Line, the Adult Graduate fee of \$500 per course, which will include a textbook deposit of \$50".*

Carried unanimously.

Youth and Community Services Committee Report

It was moved by Gary Wong and seconded by Harman Pandher:

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

Carried unanimously.

**District Operations – Administrative Services**

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

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

Carried unanimously.

**Question Period**

The Chair responded to questions from the floor.

**Adjournment**

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

*THAT the meeting be adjourned at 8:10 pm.*

Carried unanimously.

Original signed by:

Larry R. Hayes  
Chair

D. Greg Frank, C.A.  
Secretary-Treasurer