

**MINUTES
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 7:15 pm on Tuesday, September 8, 2015.

Present

Trustees Ron Burton (Chair), Katrina Chen, Meiling Chia, Larry Hayes, Baljinder Narang, Harman Pandher and Gary Wong; Superintendent of Schools Gina Niccoli-Moen, Secretary-Treasurer Greg Frank, Assistant Superintendents Roberto Bombelli, Heather Hart and Wanda Mitchell; 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.

Approval of Minutes

It was moved by Larry Hayes and seconded by Gary Wong:

THAT the minutes of the Public Session meeting of June 23, 2015 be approved, as presented.

Carried unanimously.

Board Chair Report

Ron Burton welcomed everyone back to what promises to be a great year for learning in Burnaby. He hoped everyone had had a great summer.

Superintendent's Report

Summer Learning

Ernie Kashima, principal of Armstrong Elementary School, outlined the 2015 summer learning opportunities. The district's summer program now ranks 19th in the province. Organization begins in October and includes consultations with the Facilities Department on the sites to be used; courses are designed in November and finalized in December. This year's program was run by 29 principals, 225 teachers and 19 EAs; 7,900 students participated at 22 school locations.

Nancy Sinclair, teacher at Lakeview Elementary, introduced Alisse Ma (grade 4), Isabelle Canete (grade 4) and Garren Ancheta (grade 3). The students shared with Trustees the summer courses they had taken and what they had most enjoyed.

Sustainability Toolbox

Wendi Palmer, teacher at Cariboo Hill Secondary School, gave an overview of the program - a partnership with the Greater Vancouver Regional District that funded a pre-existing Board Authorized credit course on sustainability. Twenty-four students from various school districts spent one week in August at Camp Alexander on Crescent Beach, and a number of campsites on the Fraser River. Students will complete their studies on five Saturdays in September-October through Burnaby On-Line.

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

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

Carried unanimously.

Correspondence

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

THAT the letter from Marilyn Chambers, Chair of St. Alban's Daycare, thanking the principal and staff of Edmonds Community for their hospitality and assistance on June 11 when the daycare had to evacuate

because of a fire threat, be received and that a letter of thanks be sent to the Edmonds school staff.

Carried unanimously.

It was moved by Baljinder Narang and seconded by Harman Pandher

THAT the joint letter from Dave Byng, Deputy Minister of Education, and Teresa Rezansoff, President of BCSTA, regarding a full-day information and discussion forum with ministry staff on October 21, be received.

Carried unanimously.

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

THAT the letter from Jay Chalke, Ombudsperson, regarding files closed from April 1 to June 30, 2015, be received.

Carried unanimously.

It was moved by Meiling Chia and seconded by Katrina Chen:

THAT the letter from Jay Chalke, Ombudsperson, forwarding a copy of the office's 2014-2015 annual report, be received.

Carried unanimously.

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

THAT the letter from Cindy Dettling, Safe Stop Coordinator, regarding her campaign to have fines/points increased for motorists who ignore the flashing red lights of a school bus, be received and referred to the Buildings and Grounds Committee.

Carried unanimously.

District Operations – Administrative Services

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

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

Carried unanimously.

New Business

Trustees were informed of the deadline for the submission of motions to the October 24 meeting of the BCSTA's Provincial Council.

Chair Ron Burton stated that four district staff members had passed away over the summer and would be missed.

District Operations – Business Services

Capital Project Bylaws No. 115857 and 126921

Mr. Frank presented the pro-forma Capital Project Bylaws for the structural seismic remediation and partial demolition/replacement of Alpha Secondary School and the structural seismic remediation and four classroom addition of Montecito Elementary School. To access this capital project funding the Board is required to adopt Capital Project Bylaw No. 115857 in the amount of \$23,535,521 (Alpha) and Capital Project Bylaw No. 126921 in the amount of \$2,958,799 (Montecito).

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

THAT Capital Project Bylaws No. 115857 and 126921 receive three readings at this Board meeting held September 8, 2015.

Carried unanimously.

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

THAT Capital Project Bylaws No. 115857 and 126921 be read a first time.

Carried unanimously.

It was moved by Katrina Chen and seconded by Gary Wong:

THAT Capital Project Bylaws No. 115857 and 126921 be approved a first time and read a second time.

Carried unanimously.

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

THAT Capital Project Bylaws No. 115857 and 126921 be approved a second time and read a third time.

Carried unanimously.

It was moved by Katrina Chen and seconded by Gary Wong:

THAT Capital Project Bylaws No. 115857 and 126921 be approved a third time.

Carried unanimously.

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

THAT Capital Project Bylaws No. 115857 and 126921 having been read a first, second and third time, be finally passed and adopted the 8th day of September, 2015; that the Chair of the Board and the Secretary-Treasurer be authorized to sign the bylaws; and that the bylaws be sealed with the corporate seal of the Board.

Carried unanimously.

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

THAT the Business Services Report be received, and the recommendations contained therein be approved, as presented.

Carried unanimously.

Adjournment

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

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 7:49 pm.

Carried unanimously.

Original signed:

Ron Burton
Chair

D. Greg Frank, CPA, CA
Secretary-Treasurer