

**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 Board Room at 7:10 pm on Tuesday, December 11, 2012.

Present

Trustees Larry Hayes (Chair), Baljinder Narang, Ron Burton, Meiling Chia, Harman Pandher, James Wang, Gary Wong; Superintendent of Schools Kevin Kaardal, Secretary-Treasurer Greg Frank, Deputy Superintendent Gina Niccoli-Moen, Assistant Superintendent Heather Hart and Executive Assistant Diana Sturhahn.

Student Performance

Eleven members of the newly formed Alpha Secondary School Chamber Choir performed two festive songs for the Board, led by Department Head, Paul Dudley.

Agenda

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

THAT the agenda be approved, as presented.

Carried unanimously.

Election of the Board Chair

Secretary-Treasurer Greg Frank assumed the Chair.

Mr. Frank called a first time for nominations for the position of Chair of the Burnaby Board of Education for 2013.

Larry Hayes nominated Baljinder Narang who accepted the nomination.

Mr. Frank called a second and a third time for nominations for Chair. There being none, Mr. Frank declared that Baljinder Narang had been elected Chair of the Burnaby Board of Education for 2013 by acclamation.

Baljinder Narang assumed the chair.

Election of the Vice-Chair

Ms. Narang called a first time for nominations for the position of Vice-Chair of the Burnaby Board of Education for 2013.

Gary Wong nominated Ron Burton who accepted the nomination.

Ms. Narang called a second and third time for nominations for the position of Vice-Chair. There being none, Ms. Narang declared that Ron Burton had been elected Vice-Chair of the Burnaby Board of Education for 2013 by acclamation.

Election of the BCSTA Provincial Councillor and Alternate

Ms. Narang called a first time for nominations for the position of BCSTA Provincial Councillor for 2013.

James Wang nominated Harman Pandher who accepted the nomination.

Ms. Narang called a second and a third time for nominations for the position of BCSTA Provincial Councillor. There being none, Ms. Narang declared that Harman Pandher had been elected BCSTA Provincial Councillor by acclamation.

Ms. Narang called a first time for nominations for the position of BCSTA Provincial Councillor Alternate for 2013.

Meiling Chia nominated Gary Wong who accepted the nomination.

Ms. Narang called a second and a third time for nominations for the position of BCSTA Provincial Councillor Alternate. There being none, Ms. Narang declared that Gary Wong had been elected BCSTA Provincial Councillor Alternate for 2013.

Election of the BCPSEA Representative and Alternate

Ms. Narang called a first time for nominations for the position of BCPSEA Representative for 2013.

Larry Hayes nominated Ron Burton who accepted the nomination.

Ms. Narang called a second and third time for nominations for the position of BCPSEA Representative. There being none, Ms. Narang declared that Ron Burton had been elected BCPSEA Representative for 2013 by acclamation.

Ms. Narang called a first time for nominations for the position of BCPSEA Representative Alternate for 2013.

Harman Pandher nominated Gary Wong who accepted the nomination.

Ms. Narang called a second and a third time for nominations for the position of BCPSEA Representative Alternate. There being none, Ms. Narang declared that Gary Wong had been elected BCPSEA Representative Alternate for 2013.

Good News

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

Minutes

It was moved by Larry Hayes and seconded by Ron Burton:

THAT the minutes of the Public Session of November 27, 2012 be approved, as presented.

Carried unanimously.

Superintendent's Report

Class Size and Composition

In accordance with Section 76 of the School Act, Superintendent Kevin Kaardal presented a report on changes to class size and composition as of November 30, 2012.

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

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

Carried unanimously.

Board Chair Report

Chair Baljinder Narang thanked outgoing Chair Larry Hayes for his dedication to the Burnaby School District and for his term of service as Chair. Ms. Narang welcomed Trustee Ron Burton as Vice-Chair, and acknowledged his 25 years of service as Trustee in the District.

Chair Narang introduced the District's new CEO and Superintendent of Schools, Mr. Kevin Kaardal, and Ms. Gina Niccoli-Moen, Deputy Superintendent. Ms. Narang thanked Assistant Superintendent Heather Hart for fulfilling the role of Acting Superintendent during the search for the new Superintendent. The Board acknowledged Executive Assistant Betty Choi, who will retire at the end of the year, after 8 years of service supporting the Superintendent.

Chair Narang shared some memorable highlights of the District for 2012, and wished students, parents, staff and the community of Burnaby all the best for the season and a Happy New Year for 2013.

It was moved by Larry Hayes and seconded by Ron Burton:

THAT the Chair Board Report be received, as presented.

Carried unanimously.

Committee Reports

Buildings and Grounds Committee

It was moved by James Wang and seconded by Larry Hayes:

THAT the Buildings and Grounds Committee Report be received and the recommendations contained therein be approved, as presented.

Carried unanimously.

Education Committee

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

THAT the Education Committee Report be received, as presented.

Carried unanimously.

Policy Committee

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

THAT the Policy Committee Report be received and the recommendation contained therein be approved, as presented.

Carried unanimously.

District Operations – Administrative Services

It was moved by Larry Hayes and seconded by Ron Burton:

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

Carried unanimously.

Adjournment

It was moved by Larry Hayes and seconded by Ron Burton:

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Carried unanimously.

Original signed by:

Baljinder Narang
Chair

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