

**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 7:00 pm on Tuesday, November 13, 2012.

**Present**

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

**Agenda**

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

*THAT the agenda be approved as presented.*

Carried unanimously.

**Delegations**

BC 2012 Seniors Games

Darlene Gering, President of the Burnaby 2012 BC Seniors Games, and City Councillor Paul McDonell presented highlights of the games held in August and thanked the district for providing facilities and support for the games.

Seva Canada

Matthew Buie, Board Member of Seva Canada, presented program information on a Grade 8 learning module, International Eye Health. The program is designed to engage and educate students in the problems faced by people suffering from blindness and eye diseases in the developing world and to encourage youth global citizenship.

**Good News**

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

## **Minutes**

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

*THAT the minutes of the Public Session of October 23, 2012 be approved, as presented.*

Carried unanimously.

## **Board Chair Report**

Chair Larry Hayes quoted the district mission statement “to prepare and support an inclusive, caring community of learners for the challenges of a changing tomorrow”, which was developed to assist us in being the best that we can be for students and staff.

Chair Hayes commented on the many partnerships that exist within our school community working together to combat bullying. Everyone has a role to play to combat a very complex issue and work towards finding a solution.

The Burnaby School District continues to work towards ensuring our schools are safe and caring places.

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**

### Youth Summit

Manager of Youth Services Sue Dorey provided an overview of the Second Annual Youth Summit held in October. The one-day conference focused on developing students’ social emotional learning skills.

Students Marina Zlomislic, Brea Morgan, and Keb Dennis shared their experiences of the conference. A total of 135 students from 8 secondary and 3 district Alternate Programs attended the conference.

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

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

Carried unanimously.

## **Correspondence**

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

*THAT the letter from Ms. Joann Cain, Chair, Teachers' Pension Board of Trustees, regarding Teachers' Pension Plan 2011 Actuarial Valuation report, be received.*

Carried unanimously.

## **Committee Reports**

### Education Committee

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

*THAT the Education Committee Report be received, as presented.*

Carried unanimously.

### Youth and Community Services Committee

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

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

Carried unanimously.

## **New Business**

### BCPSEA AGM

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

*THAT the BCPSEA AGM: Call for Proposed Resolutions and Nominations to the Board of Directors be received, as presented.*

Carried unanimously.

### Seva Canada

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

*THAT the Seva Canada presentation be referred to the Education Committee.*

Carried unanimously.

## **Question Period**

The Chair responded to questions from the floor.

## **Adjournment**

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

*THAT the meeting be adjourned at 8:18 pm.*

Carried unanimously.

Original signed by:

Larry R. Hayes  
Chair

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