

**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 District Conference Centre at 7:03 pm on Monday, December 12, 2016.

Present

Trustees Ron Burton (Chair), Meiling Chia, Katrina Chen, Larry Hayes, Baljinder Narang and Gary Wong; Superintendent of Schools Gina Niccoli-Moen, Secretary-Treasurer Russell Horswill, Assistant Superintendents Roberto Bombelli, Heather Hart and Wanda Mitchell, Deputy Secretary-Treasurer Roy Uyeno and Executive Assistant Sandra Brunner.

Agenda

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

THAT the agenda be approved, as amended to move the Superintendent's Report after Confirmation of the Agenda.

Carried unanimously.

Superintendent's Report

Gilmore Community School Presents "The Lights of Jingle Bell Hill"

Reg La Plante, Program Consultant – Visual and Performing Arts, thanked Trustees and district administration for taking the time to attend some of the many holiday performances taking place throughout the district. Mr. La Plante introduced 17 intermediate students from Gilmore Community School. Under the direction of Ryan Phelps, music teacher, the students performed two scenes and two songs from their winter musical "The Lights of Jingle Bell Hill".

Burnaby Mountain Secondary Chamber Choir

The Burnaby Mountain Secondary School Chamber Choir was formed in 2014 and comprises 28 grade 9-12 students. The choir recently received a Gold medal standing at the Vancouver Kiwanis Music Festival. Under the direction of Deanna Gestrin, music teacher, the students performed three songs for Trustees.

It was moved by Larry Hayes and seconded by Katrina Chen:

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

Carried unanimously.

Elections

Russell Horswill, Secretary-Treasurer, assumed the Chair.

Board Chair

Dr. Horswill called for nominations for the position of Chair of the Burnaby Board of Education for 2017.

Larry Hayes nominated Ron Burton. Mr. Burton accepted the nomination.

Dr. Horswill called a second time for nominations.

Meiling Chia nominated Gary Wong. Mr. Wong declined the nomination.

Dr. Horswill called a third time for nominations. There being none, Dr. Horswill declared Mr. Burton elected by acclamation Chair of the Burnaby Board of Education for 2017.

Mr. Burton assumed the chair.

Vice-Chair

Mr. Burton called for nominations for the position of Vice-Chair of the Burnaby Board of Education for 2017.

Gary Wong nominated Baljinder Narang. Ms Narang accepted the nomination.

Mr. Burton called a second time for nominations.

Meiling Chia nominated Harman Pandher. Mr Pandher was not present to accept or decline the nomination.

Mr. Burton called a third time for nominations. There being none, Mr. Burton declared Ms Narang elected by acclamation Vice-Chair of the Burnaby Board of Education for 2017.

BCSTA Provincial Councillor

Mr. Burton called for nominations for the position of BCSTA Provincial Councillor for 2017.

Katrina Chen nominated Baljinder Narang. Ms Narang accepted the nomination.

Mr. Burton called a second and a third time for nominations. There being none, Mr. Burton declared Ms Narang elected by acclamation BCSTA Provincial Councillor for 2017.

BCSTA Provincial Councillor Alternate

Mr. Burton called for nominations for the position of BCSTA Provincial Councillor Alternate for 2017.

Baljinder Narang nominated Gary Wong. Mr. Wong accepted the nomination.

Mr. Burton called a second and a third time for nominations. There being none, Mr. Burton declared Mr. Wong elected by acclamation BCSTA Provincial Councillor Alternate for 2017.

BCSTA/BCPSEA Bargaining Representative Councillor

Mr. Burton called for nominations for the position of BCSTA/BCPSEA Bargaining Representative Councillor for 2017.

Baljinder Narang nominated Ron Burton. Mr. Burton accepted the nomination.

Mr. Burton called a second and a third time for nominations. There being none, Mr. Burton declared himself elected by acclamation BCSTA/BCPSEA Bargaining Representative for 2017.

BCSTA/BCPSEA Bargaining Representative Councillor Alternate

Mr. Burton called for nominations for the position of BCSTA/BCPSEA Bargaining Representative Councillor Alternate for 2017.

Baljinder Narang nominated Gary Wong. Mr. Wong accepted the nomination.

Mr. Burton called a second and a third time for nominations. There being none, Mr. Burton declared Mr. Wong elected by acclamation BCSTA/BCPSEA Bargaining Representative Councillor Alternate for 2017.

Good News

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

Minutes

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

THAT the minutes of the Public Session meeting of November 28, 2016 be approved, as presented.

Carried unanimously.

Board Chair Report

Ron Burton wished everyone season's greetings; it is a time to spend with family and enjoy the festivities. Next year will be a busy one. Trustees will be concentrating on the recent Supreme Court decision on class size and composition which they support. However, he hoped both sides would recognize that education has changed over the past 14 years.

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.

District Operations – Administrative Services

It was moved by Larry Hayes 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

Trustees were informed of the deadline for the submission of motions to the February meeting of the BCSTA Provincial Council.

Adjournment

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

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Carried unanimously.

Original signed:

Ron Burton
Chair

Russell Horswill, DBA
Secretary-Treasurer