

**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 Administration Office at 7:05 pm on Monday, March 12, 2018.

**Present**

Trustees Baljinder Narang (Chair), Meiling Chia, Larry Hayes, Harman Pandher and Gary Wong; Superintendent of Schools Gina Niccoli-Moen, Secretary-Treasurer Russell Horswill, Assistant Superintendents Roberto Bombelli, Heather Hart, Wanda Mitchell and Richard Per 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**

Gary Wong presented Good News items from various Burnaby schools, as attached.

**Minutes**

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

*THAT the minutes of the Public Session meeting of February 26, 2018 be approved, as presented.*

Carried unanimously.

**Board Chair Report**

Baljinder Narang, Vice-Chair, welcomed the Burnaby South Rebels and their five coaches. The team won the 2018 BC 4A Boys Basketball Championship Final on March 10, winning the third senior provincial title in Burnaby South history, but the first since 1979.

## **Superintendent`s Report**

### Community and Continuing Education Vocational Programs

The district runs many high quality, affordable vocational training programs for adults that provide hands-on instruction as well as job-ready skills training. The courses are flexible and are designed so that students may upgrade their skills while working at other jobs or staying home with their children. The report highlighted two of those programs – the Horticulture program (formerly the Residential Landscape Technician program) and the Early Childhood Education (ECE) program.

Catherine Dale, Instructor of the Horticulture program, described some of the activities carried out during the program. Horticulture is now a Red Seal trade and many professional landscapers are drawn to the program because of its focus on organic horticulture.

Linda Vanderheide, Program Coordinator, Community and Continuing Education, presented details of the ECE program. Graduates Rosangela Giacobetti and Elaine Cheung shared their experiences as students in the program.

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

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

Carried unanimously.

## **Committee Reports**

### Education Committee

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

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

Carried unanimously.

Youth and Community Services Committee

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

*THAT the Youth and Community Services 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.

**Adjournment**

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

*THAT the meeting be adjourned at 8:13 pm.*

Carried unanimously.

Original signed

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Gary Wong  
Chair

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Russell Horswill, DBA  
Secretary-Treasurer