

**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 7:00 pm on Tuesday, September 25, 2018.

Present

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

Agenda

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

THAT the agenda be approved, as presented.

Carried unanimously.

Delegation

Dr. Elmer Froese, retired Burnaby Superintendent of Schools, made a presentation in recognition of trustees' public service. Dr. Froese spoke of his deep respect for public education and school board trustees. He paid tribute to a few trustees who illustrated the power and impact of trusteeship: Eileen Dailly, Gary Begin, Barry Jones and Ron (the "Senator") Burton who had served the board since his election in 1987. Dr. Froese also cited some examples of the Burnaby board's lasting accomplishments: taking responsibility for the Provincial School for the Deaf, approving numerous programs and procedures to redress the major gender inequity in leadership positions, refusing to sell school sites following school closures and developing community schools.

Gary Wong also shared Dr. Froese's respect for Ron Burton. He thanked Ron for his wisdom and leadership and said he would be sorely missed.

Good News

Harman Pandher 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 June 25, 2018 be approved, as presented.

Carried unanimously.

Superintendent's Report

2017-2018 Governor-General's Academic Medal Recipients

The Governor-General's academic medals, created in 1873, have become the most prestigious award that students in Canada can receive.

Principals and Vice-Principals from each of the district's eight secondary schools introduced their respective Academic Medal recipients for 2017/18, described some of their amazing accomplishments and presented medals to the following recipients: Paniz Najjarrezaparast (Alpha), Andy Hwang (Burnaby Central), Jessica Zhan (Burnaby Mountain), William Shen (Burnaby North) whose parents accepted the award on his behalf, Carol Zhang (Burnaby South) whose father accepted the award on her behalf, Amarpreet Powar (Byrne Creek), Rickesh Mysuria (Cariboo Hill) and Alice Wang (Moscrop).

Recognition

1. Literacy for Life Innovation Award

This award honours innovation in the creation and delivery of adult literacy and adult-integrated literacy programs delivered by a community organization in Canada. This fall the Language Instruction for Newcomers to Canada (LINC) adult learning program will be receiving an Honourable Mention Award and \$5,000 to enhance the LINC program.

Ms. Gina Niccoli-Moen, Superintendent of Schools, recognized Ms. Louise Thorburn, Manager, Burnaby Community and Continuing Education, who leads the LINC program. The program applied for additional funding during the 2017/18 school year to try a new teaching model that included classroom instruction with an online complement to accommodate parents juggling work place and child care schedules. The model also provided increased space for parents to access child-minding while attending LINC classes.

2. Premier`s Awards for Excellence in Education

These awards were created to recognize individuals who make outstanding contributions to their school communities and the lives of their students. Ms. Niccoli-Moen recognized Ms. Nancy Sinclair, grade 3/4 teacher at Lakeview Elementary, one of three finalists for the award. Ms. Sinclair was nominated by the Lakeview Parent Advisory Council with support from the principal for her tireless extra-curricular efforts.

3. Burnaby School Trustees

Ms. Niccoli-Moen also recognized the Trustees for their wisdom, passion and commitment to education, for which the Burnaby community was very grateful. She thanked the Trustees for their vision and leadership and the legacies they have left in the district`s schools.

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

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

Carried unanimously.

Roberto Bombelli joined the meeting at 7:55 pm.

Committee Report

Buildings and Grounds Committee

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

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

Carried unanimously.

Finance Committee

Mr. Russell Horswill, Secretary-Treasurer, presented the audited financial statements for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018.

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

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

Carried unanimously.

District Operations – Administrative Services

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

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

Carried unanimously.

Business Services Report

SFU Stormwater Management Covenant Bylaw, 2018

Russell Horswill, Secretary-Treasurer, presented the SFU Stormwater Management Covenant Bylaw, 2018/2019 that had been requested by the City of Burnaby to ensure the provision, utilization, maintenance and three-year monitoring of the City's Storm and Ground Water Management System on land occupied by University Highlands Elementary School.

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

THAT SFU Stormwater Management Covenant Bylaw, 2018 receive three readings at this Board meeting held September 25, 2018.

Carried unanimously.

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

THAT SFU Stormwater Management Covenant Bylaw, 2018 be read a first time.

Carried unanimously.

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

THAT SFU Stormwater Management Covenant Bylaw, 2018 be approved a first time and read a second time.

Carried unanimously.

It was moved by Baljinder Narang and seconded Meiling Chia:

THAT SFU Stormwater Management Covenant Bylaw, 2018 be approved a second time and read a third time.

Carried unanimously.

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

THAT SFU Stormwater Management Covenant Bylaw, 2018 be approved a third time.

Carried unanimously.

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

THAT SFU Stormwater Management Covenant Bylaw, 2018 having been read a first, second and third time, be finally passed and adopted the 25th day of September, 2018; that the Chair of the Board and the Secretary-Treasurer be authorized to sign the bylaw; and that the bylaw be sealed with the corporate seal of the Board.

Carried unanimously.

New Business

Larry Hayes recognized his Trustee colleagues who were not standing for reelection. He thanked them for their dedication to public education in Burnaby, for all the work they had done behind the scenes - in school board, district and City of Burnaby committee meetings and at community events. He also recognized and thanked Ron Burton for his 31 years of service.

Adjournment

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

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 8:16 pm.

Carried unanimously.

Original signed

Gary Wong
Chair

Russell Horswill, DBA
Secretary-Treasurer