

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
SCHOOL DISTRICT 41 - BURNABY**

A Public Session meeting of the Board of Education of School District 41 – Burnaby was held via video conference at 5:00 pm on Tuesday, June 23, 2020.

Present

Trustees Gary Wong (Chair), Bill Brassington, Peter Cech, Christine Cunningham, Larry Hayes, Jen Mezei and Ryan Stewart; 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 Peter Cech:

THAT the agenda be approved, as presented.

Carried unanimously.

Delegation

Haleluya Hailu, Burnaby North student, made a presentation on racism.

Inside Burnaby Schools

Larry Hayes outlined some recent events in Burnaby schools, as attached.

Minutes

It was moved by Larry Hayes and seconded by Ryan Stewart:

THAT the minutes of the Public Session meeting of May 26, 2020 be approved, as presented.

Carried unanimously.

Board Chair Report

Gary Wong thanked students, staff, families and partner groups for everything they had done during highly unusual circumstances to ensure a successful year for students. The district had informed the provincial government of the financial impact the pandemic had had on our schools and students.

Mr. Wong reported that the Superintendent of Schools would be hiring a district administrator to assist the district in confronting the difficult conversations taking place around racism, including the RCMP School Liaison Program, with a view to formulating and implementing a system action plan.

It was moved by Bill Brassington and seconded by Jen Mezei:

THAT the Board of Education receive and approve the Board Chair Report, as presented.

Carried unanimously.

It was moved by Jen Mezei and seconded by Bill Brassington:

THAT the Burnaby School District use a consultative process to develop a district anti-racism action plan that respects and honours the voices and lived experiences of those affected by systemic racism, implicit bias and/or discrimination;

FURTHER, THAT the district:

- *Include broader conversation with Black, Indigenous and racialized communities to inform the district anti-racism action plan and update anti-racism policies;*
- *Establish an ad hoc working group to support the development of an engagement process that provides meaningful, safe and culturally sensitive opportunities for students, staff and families to engage in consultation and dialogue;*
- *Include representation on the ad hoc working group from the district's partner groups as well as Black, Indigenous and racialized communities;*
- *AND report to the board on progress and timelines by October 30.*

Carried unanimously.

Superintendent`s Report

Gina Niccoli-Moen, Superintendent of Schools, gave her year-end update. The district had been implementing the Ministry of Education's Stage 3 approach to K-12 education since June 1. School attendance had varied from school to school and for days of the week. Summer Session would begin July 2 with strict adherence to health and safety protocols.

School start-up in September would probably involve a mix of in-class and virtual learning. The district was in the process of getting input from parents, students and staff on their experiences to date to assist in planning and shaping our schools for September.

It was moved by Ryan Stewart and seconded by Peter Cech:

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

Carried unanimously.

Audit Sub-Committee Report

It was moved by Jen Mezei and seconded by Larry Hayes:

THAT the Audit Sub-Committee Report be received, as presented.

Carried unanimously.

Business Services Report

Annual Budget Bylaw for the Fiscal Year 2020/2021

Russell Horswill, Secretary-Treasurer, made a presentation on the annual budget for the fiscal year 2020/2021.

It was moved by Larry Hayes and seconded by Ryan Stewart:

THAT Annual Budget Bylaw for the fiscal year 2020/2021 receive three readings at this Board meeting held June 23, 2020.

Carried unanimously.

It was moved by Peter Cech and seconded by Christine Cunningham:

THAT Annual Budget Bylaw for the fiscal year 2020/2021 be read a first time.

Carried unanimously.

It was moved by Bill Brassington and seconded by Jen Mezei:

THAT Annual Budget Bylaw for the fiscal year 2020/2021 be approved a first time and read a second time.

Carried unanimously.

It was moved by Larry Hayes and seconded by Ryan Stewart:

THAT Annual Budget Bylaw for the fiscal year 2020/2021 be approved a second time and read a third time.

Carried unanimously.

It was moved by Peter Cech and seconded by Christine Cunningham:

THAT Annual Budget Bylaw for the fiscal year 2020/2021 be approved a third time.

Carried unanimously.

It was moved by Larry Hayes seconded by Christine Cunningham:

THAT Annual Budget Bylaw for the fiscal year 2020/2021 having been read a first, second and third time, be finally passed and adopted the 23rd day of June, 2020; 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.

Parkcrest Land Exchange Bylaw 2020

Mr. Horswill introduced the Parkcrest Land Exchange Bylaw 2020. The City of Burnaby and the School District had finalized a land consolidation and land exchange for the Parkcrest Elementary School property to facilitate approval of the capital project Preliminary Project Agreement (PPA) submission. The proposed agreement resulted in both the City of Burnaby and the School District owning the same amount of property. The consolidation and exchange would create a single

school and parks property. The Sub-Division process included off-site services requirements that would need to be finalized prior to the PPA being approved.

It was moved by Larry Hayes and seconded by Ryan Stewart:

THAT Parkcrest Land Exchange Bylaw 2020 receive three readings at this Board meeting held June 23, 2020.

Carried unanimously.

It was moved by Jen Mezei and seconded by Peter Cech:

THAT Parkcrest Land Exchange Bylaw 2020 be read a first time.

Carried unanimously.

It was moved by Bill Brassington and seconded by Ryan Stewart:

THAT Parkcrest Land Exchange Bylaw 2020 be approved a first time and read a second time.

Carried unanimously.

It was moved by Jen Mezei and seconded by Christine Cunningham:

THAT Parkcrest Land Exchange 2020 be approved a second time and read a third time.

Carried unanimously.

It was moved by Larry Hayes and seconded by Bill Brassington:

THAT Parkcrest Land Exchange Bylaw 2020 be approved a third time.

Carried unanimously.

It was moved by Peter Cech and seconded by Jen Mezei:

THAT Parkcrest Land Exchange Bylaw 2020 having been read a first, second and third time, be finally passed and adopted the 23rd day of June, 2020; 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.

Schou Education Centre BC Hydro Statutory Right of Way Bylaw, 2020

Mr. Horswill presented the Schou Education Centre BC Hydro Statutory Right of Way Bylaw, 2020. The bylaw had been requested by BC Hydro to allow them to install a new transformer on the site of the new Admin Office.

It was moved by Larry Hayes and seconded by Ryan Stewart:

THAT Schou Education Centre BC Hydro Statutory Right of Way Bylaw, 2020 receive three readings at this Board meeting held June 23, 2020.

Carried unanimously.

It was moved by Ryan Stewart and seconded by Jen Mezei:

THAT Schou Education Centre BC Hydro Statutory Right of Way Bylaw, 2020 be read a first time.

Carried unanimously.

It was moved by Bill Brassington and seconded by Peter Cech

THAT Schou Education Centre BC Hydro Statutory Right of Way Bylaw, 2020 be approved a first time and read a second time.

Carried unanimously.

It was moved by Larry Hayes and seconded by Jen Mezei:

THAT Schou Education Centre BC Hydro Statutory Right of Way Bylaw, 2020 be approved a second time and read a third time.

Carried unanimously.

It was moved by Ryan Stuart and seconded by Jen Mezei:

THAT Schou Education Centre BC Hydro Statutory Right of Way Bylaw, 2020 be approved a third time.

Carried unanimously.

It was moved by Larry Hayes and seconded by Christine Cunningham:

THAT Schou Education Centre BC Hydro Statutory Right of Way Bylaw, 2020 having been read a first, second and third time, be finally passed and adopted the 23rd day of June, 2020; 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.

2021/2022 Capital Plan

Mr. Horswill introduced the Annual 5-Year Capital Plan that the district was required to submit to the Ministry of Education.

It was moved by Peter Cech and seconded by Larry Hayes:

THAT the Board of Education approve the 2021/2022 Capital Plan submission in the amount of \$372,667,428, as presented.

Carried unanimously.

Burnaby North Secondary School City of Burnaby
Statutory Right of Way Bylaw, 2020-2

Mr. Horswill introduced the Burnaby North Secondary School City of Burnaby Statutory Right of Way Bylaw, 2020-2. The City had requested that the stormwater management plan proposed by the district be registered on title by way of a statutory right of way bylaw.

It was moved by Bill Brassington and seconded by Ryan Stewart:

THAT Burnaby North Secondary School City of Burnaby Statutory Right of Way Bylaw, 2020-02 receive three readings at this Board meeting held June 23, 2020.

Carried unanimously.

It was moved by Larry Hayes and seconded by Ryan Stewart:

THAT Burnaby North Secondary School City of Burnaby Statutory Right of Way Bylaw, 2020-02 be read a first time.

Carried unanimously.

It was moved by Bill Brassington and seconded by Christine Cunningham:

THAT Burnaby North Secondary School City of Burnaby Statutory Right of Way Bylaw, 2002-02 be approved a first time and read a second time.

Carried unanimously.

It was moved by Peter Cech and seconded by Ryan Stewart:

THAT Burnaby North Secondary School City of Burnaby Statutory Right of Way Bylaw, 2020-02 be approved a second time and read a third time.

Carried unanimously.

It was moved by Larry Hayes and seconded by Bill Brassington:

THAT Burnaby North Secondary School City of Burnaby Statutory Right of Way Bylaw, 2020-02 be approved a third time.

Carried unanimously.

It was moved by Christine Cunningham and seconded by Ryan Stewart:

THAT Burnaby North Secondary School City of Burnaby Statutory Right of Way Bylaw, 2020-02 having been read a first, second and third time, be finally passed and adopted the 23rd day of June, 2020; 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.

Unfinished Business

Policy Approval

Mr. Horswill introduced draft Policies 2.50.00 – Whistle-Blower Protection and 5.14.00 – Physical Restraint and Seclusion. Both had been circulated through a Notice of Motion and no feedback had been received.

It was moved by Bill Brassington and seconded by Peter Cech:

THAT the Board of Education receive this information and that Policy No. 2.50.00 and Administrative Procedure No. 2.50.AP, as presented, be approved for insertion into the Policy Manual.

Carried unanimously.

It was moved by Larry Hayes and seconded by Christine Cunningham:

THAT that the Board of Education receive this information and that Policy No. 5.14.00 and Regulations and Administrative Procedure

No. 5.14.01 and No. 5.14.AP, as presented, be approved for insertion into the Policy Manual.

Carried unanimously.

New Business

2020/2021 Student Fees

Roberto Bombelli, Assistant Superintendent, introduced the schedule of student fees for the 2020/2021 school year. The schedule had been established with input from parent advisory councils and meets the requirements of the School Act. School staff have the discretion to enable participation by students for whom the fees may be a financial hardship.

It was moved by Bill Brassington and seconded by Jen Mezei:

THAT the Board of Education approve the 2020/2021 fee schedule, as presented.

School/Trustee Liaison Program

It was moved by Peter Cech and seconded by Larry Hayes:

THAT the Board of Education approve the School/Trustee Liaison Program assignments for the 2020/2021 school year, as presented.

Carried unanimously.

Larry Hayes expressed his sadness on the passing of City Councillor Nick Volkow. He extended the board's condolences to the Volkow family.

Question Period

Board Chair Gary Wong read out three questions that had been submitted in advance and Trustees responded.

Markiel Simpson joined the meeting at the invitation of Trustees. Mr. Wong read again the question submitted by Mr. Simpson.

It was moved by Bill Brassington and seconded by Peter Cech:

THAT the Burnaby Board of Education advocate that the Ministry of Education:

1. *Investigate the root structural causes of anti-black racism in the education system;*
2. *Allocate new funding and resources to Black-led organizations as they advocate for change;*
3. *Take immediate action to develop and add Black History to the curriculum in BC with fulsome and meaningful consultation with Black-led organizations;*
4. *Develop and implement mandatory anti-racism education for staff and students alike; and*
5. *Create a data base to keep track of all incidents of racism in BC schools against students and educators;*

FURTHER, THAT the Burnaby Board of Education offer to work with the Ministry of Education on these issues;

AND FINALLY, THAT the Burnaby Board of Education bring these recommendations as an emergent motion to the BCSTA.

Carried unanimously.

Adjournment

It was moved by Larry Hayes and seconded by Bill Brassington:

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 7:11 pm.

Carried unanimously.

Original signed

Gary Wong
Chair

Russell Horswill, DBA
Secretary-Treasurer