

**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 7:03 pm on Tuesday, January 26, 2021.

Present

Trustees Jen Mezei (Chair), Bill Brassington, Peter Cech, Christine Cunningham, Larry Hayes, Ryan Stewart and Gary Wong; Superintendent of Schools Gina Niccoli-Moen, Secretary-Treasurer Russell Horswill, Assistant Superintendents Roberto Bombelli, Jeannette Laursoo, Richard Per and Wanda Mitchell, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer Ishver Khunguray and Executive Assistant Charran Millsip.

Confirmation of Agenda

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

THAT the agenda be approved, as presented.

Carried unanimously.

Inside Burnaby Schools

Trustees outlined some recent events in Burnaby schools, as per the attached bulletin.

Approval of Minutes

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

THAT the minutes of the Public Session meeting of December 8, 2020 be approved, as presented.

Carried unanimously.

Board Chair Report

Jen Mezei, Board Chair, welcomed everyone to the first board meeting of the year. The Board continues its focus on strategic governance, and engagement with its partner groups and the broader community.

Our new bylaws provide a foundation for Board governance. The new Committee of the Whole will offer a forum for dialogue with our partner groups and generate new ideas for collaboration and growth.

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

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

Carried unanimously.

District Operations - Superintendent's Report

Quest for Rest

Gina Niccoli-Moen, Superintendent noted the importance of getting a good night's sleep, especially during this time of COVID. She introduced Nick Christofides, District Vice-Principal, Fonda Papatthaniou, Principal, Montecito Elementary, Amy Chin, Primary Teacher, Montecito Elementary, and students Kiara and Linden Louie and their mother Anicia who presented an overview of the Quest for Rest – ZZZ Sleep Power Project and the supporting children's book which is designed for children K-3 and their families to improve communication and education at home around the benefits of sleep.

The Board of Education received this information, as presented.

Framework for Enhancing Student Learning

Ms. Niccoli-Moen advised that the Framework for Enhancing Student Learning (FESL) is a long-term plan to improve student achievement, with particular focus on indigenous students, children and youth in care and students with disabilities or diverse abilities. She introduced Wanda Mitchell, Assistant Superintendent who provided an overview of FESL and the work underway in the district. The plan for 2021-22 will be posted on the website by the end of September 2021.

The Board of Education received this information, as presented.

Correspondence

No public correspondence has been received.

Committee Reports

Finance Committee

It was moved by Peter Cech and seconded by Gary Wong:

THAT the Finance Committee Report be received, as presented.

Carried unanimously.

District Operations – Administrative Services

Field Experiences

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

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

Carried unanimously.

New Business

2021 Trustee Committee Responsibilities

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

THAT the 2021 Trustee Committee Responsibilities information be received, as presented.

Carried unanimously.

School/Trustee Liaison Program

There were no changes to the Trustee Liaison assignments. The minor changes involve changes in management.

The School/Trustee Liaison Program information was received, as presented.

Board Procedural Bylaw 2021 – Notice of Motion

Ms. Mezei referred to the Board Procedural Bylaw 2021 which is attached for information and Board consideration. The bylaw reflects updates to the Board's policies and practices with the most substantive change to the committee structure.

Russell Horswill, Secretary-Treasurer advised he had circulated the notice for motion and no comments were received.

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

THAT Procedural Bylaw 2021 receive three readings at this Board meeting held January 26, 2021.

Carried unanimously.

It was moved by Peter Cech and seconded by Gary Wong:

THAT Procedural Bylaw 2021 be read a first time.

Carried unanimously.

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

THAT Procedural Bylaw 2021 be approved a first time and read a second time.

Carried unanimously.

It was moved by Christine Cunningham and seconded by Gary Wong:

THAT Procedural Bylaw 2021 be approved a second time and read a third time.

Carried unanimously.

It was moved by Bill Brassington and seconded by Gary Wong:

THAT Procedural Bylaw 2021 be approved a third time.

Carried unanimously.

It was moved by Ryan Stewart and seconded by Gary Wong:

THAT Procedural Bylaw 2021 having been read a first, second and third time, be finally passed and adopted the 26th day of January, 2021; 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.

Adjournment

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

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 7:53 pm.

Carried unanimously.

Original Signed

Jen Mezei
Chair

Original Signed

Russell Horswill, DBA
Secretary-Treasurer