

**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 7:01 pm on Tuesday, December 14, 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, Wanda Mitchell, and Richard Per, Deputy Secretary-Treasurer Ishver Khunguray, and Executive Assistant Deanna Azzara.

**Land Acknowledgement**

Peter Cech, Trustee, acknowledged the Indigenous territories on which the district is located.

**Confirmation of Agenda**

The agenda was submitted for confirmation.

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 several recent events in Burnaby schools, as per the Inside Burnaby Schools bulletin.

**Approval of Minutes**

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

*THAT the minutes of the Public Session meeting of November 23, 2021 be approved, as presented.*

Carried unanimously.

## **Board Chair Report**

Jen Mezei, Chair, welcomed everyone to the meeting. It has been a pleasure for us to join virtual events, concerts, and art installations that celebrate our school communities and I would like to thank everyone who have made these performance opportunities possible. It has also been a difficult month for many in our province. Many of our school communities have been finding ways to help and support those that have been affected locally and further afield, reflecting the importance of connection and empathy and sense of community within our schools.

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

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

Carried unanimously.

## **District Operations – Superintendent Report**

### Holiday Cheer

Gina Niccoli-Moen, Superintendent of Schools, introduced Al Post, Principal at Cameron Elementary, who then introduced Cameron students' in two musical performances, under the direction of their teacher, Mark Yang.

Ms. Niccoli-Moen introduced Casey Armstrong, Head Teacher at Capitol Hill Elementary and Theresa Lui, Music teacher at Capitol Hill Elementary, who then introduced the Capitol Hill handbell ensemble, who performed for the group.

A big thank you to Janice Nakatsu, Director of Instruction, for all the work you have done to support all these holiday student performances and events.

### Program of Choice Education Review

Ms. Niccoli-Moen introduced external consultant Nancy Brennan, who presented the Program of Choice Education review with key findings and recommendations. The review was initiated as part of the Burnaby Board of Education's Strategic Plan in order to build upon key strengths of current programs as well as identify and address possible gaps or oversights in existing programs and services. Thank you to all students, families, and staff that participated in the review.

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

*THAT the Board of Education receive this information, as presented.*

Carried unanimously.

## **District Operations – Administrative Services Report**

### Field Experiences – Monthly Report

Jeannette Laursoo, Assistant Superintendent, presented the field experiences report for the period up to December 14, 2021.

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

*THAT the Board of Education receive and approve the District Operations – Administrative Services Report, as presented.*

Carried unanimously.

## **District Operations – Business Services Report**

### Kincaid Street Land Disposition Bylaw

Russell Horswill, Secretary-Treasurer, presented on the Kincaid Street Land Disposition Bylaw. The disposition of land or improvements by a Board of Education is regulated by the School Act and the Minister of Education has provided the necessary approvals to dispose of the Kincaid Street property.

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

*THAT School District No. 41 (Burnaby) 5325 Kincaid Street Property Disposal Bylaw 2021 receive three readings at this Board meeting held December 14, 2021.*

Carried unanimously.

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

*THAT School District No. 41 (Burnaby) 5325 Kincaid Street Property Disposal Bylaw 2021 be read a first time.*

Carried unanimously.

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

*THAT School District No. 41 (Burnaby) 5325 Kincaid Street Property Disposal Bylaw 2021 be approved a first time and read a second time.*

Carried unanimously.

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

*THAT School District No. 41 (Burnaby) 5325 Kincaid Street Property Disposal Bylaw 2021 be approved a second time and read a third time.*

Carried unanimously.

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

*THAT School District No. 41 (Burnaby) 5325 Kincaid Street Property Disposal Bylaw 2021 be approved a third time.*

Carried unanimously.

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

*THAT School District No. 41 (Burnaby) 5325 Kincaid Street Property Disposal Bylaw 2021 having been read a first, second, and third time, be finally passed and adopted on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of December, 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.

At this time, due to technical issues, Chair Mezei asked Vice-Chair Brassington to continue.

#### Parkcrest Elementary School Property Statutory Right-of-Way

Mr. Horswill presented information about the Parkcrest Elementary School Property Statutory Right-of-Way. Staff have reviewed the request for a Statutory Right-of-Way and confirmed that granting such will not interfere with the Board's use of the property for educational purposes.

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

*THAT Parkcrest Elementary School BC Hydro Statutory Right-of-Way Bylaw 2021 receive three readings at this Board meeting held December 14, 2021.*

Carried unanimously.

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

*THAT Parkcrest Elementary School BC Hydro Statutory Right-of-Way Bylaw 2021 be read a first time.*

Carried unanimously.

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

*THAT Parkcrest Elementary School BC Hydro Statutory Right-of-Way 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 Parkcrest Elementary School BC Hydro Statutory Right-of-Way Bylaw 2021 be approved a second time and read a third time.*

Carried unanimously.

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

*THAT Parkcrest Elementary School BC Hydro Statutory Right-of-Way Bylaw 2021 be approved a third time.*

Carried unanimously.

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

*THAT Parkcrest Elementary School BC Hydro Statutory Right-of-Way Bylaw 2021 having been read a first, second, and third time, be finally passed and adopted on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of December, 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.

## **New Business**

### City Committee Appointments

The board Chair presented the list of Trustee Committee Responsibilities for 2022 for approval.

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

*THAT the Board of Education received this information, as presented.*

Carried unanimously.

## **Correspondence**

### Jay Chalke, Ombudsperson – Quarterly Reports: July 1 – September 30, 2021

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

*THAT the Board of Education received this information, as presented.*

Carried unanimously.

## **Question Period**

Ms. Mezei read out one question that was submitted in advance and Trustees responded.

## **Adjournment**

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

*THAT the meeting be adjourned at 8:30 pm.*

Carried Unanimously.

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Jen Mezei  
Chair

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Russell Horswill, DBA  
Secretary-Treasurer