

**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, April 26, 2022.

**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, Wanda Mitchell, and Richard Per, Deputy Secretary-Treasurer Ishver Khunguray, and Executive Assistant Deanna Azzara.

**Land Acknowledgement**

Jen Mezei, Chair, 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 Gary Wong and seconded by Ryan Stewart:

*THAT the minutes of the Public Session meeting of March 29, 2022, be approved, as presented.*

Carried unanimously.

## **Board Chair Report**

Jen Mezei, Chair, welcomed everyone to the meeting. April 28 is *National Day of Mourning for Workers Killed or Injured on the Job* and, on behalf of the Burnaby Board of Education, I invite you to join in honouring these individuals with a moment of silence.

There is no doubt that two years in a pandemic has had a significant impact on our current and upcoming budget. This year, again, trustees were faced with the difficult decision to consider budget adjustments in order to continue to be fiscally prudent in future years. I would like to thank our partner groups for providing direct input on the potential budget adjustments, and to the many students, staff, and community members who shared their concerns with us. We have strived to have the least possible impact on students, staff, and families and continue to approach decisions with an equity lens to support vulnerable students and students with disabilities and diverse abilities.

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

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

Carried unanimously.

## **District Operations – Superintendent’s Report**

### DSAC Student Forum Mental Health

This evening Hannah Qin, District Student Advisory Council President, will share information regarding the DSAC conference *Solutions Through Discussion: Pathways to Positive Mental Health and Well-Being*. This student organized and led event focused on topics such as School-Life Balance, Indigenous Wellness Teachings, Stress Management and Burnout, and Managing Screen Time. Secondary students were invited to attend this event to learn more about personal mental health and well-being from guest speakers.

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

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

Carried unanimously.

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

### Field Experiences – Monthly Report

Roberto Bombelli, Assistant Superintendent, presented the field experiences report for the period up to April 26, 2022.

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

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

Carried unanimously.

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

### Annual Budget Bylaw for the Fiscal Year 2022/2023

Russell Horswill, Secretary-Treasurer, provided a detailed presentation of the Annual Budget Bylaw for the Fiscal Year 2022/2023 for board consideration and approval.

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

*THAT Annual Budget Bylaw for the Fiscal Year 2022/2023 receive three readings at this Board meeting and final adoption in accordance with the Board's Procedural Bylaw.*

Carried unanimously.

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

*THAT Annual Budget Bylaw for the Fiscal Year 2022/2023 be read a first time.*

Carried unanimously.

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

*THAT Annual Budget Bylaw for the Fiscal Year 2022/2023 be approved a first time and read a second time.*

Carried unanimously.

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

*THAT Annual Budget Bylaw for the Fiscal Year 2022/2023 be approved a second time and read a third time.*

Carried unanimously.

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

*THAT Annual Budget Bylaw for the Fiscal Year 2022/2023 be approved a third time.*

Carried unanimously.

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

*THAT Annual Budget Bylaw for the Fiscal Year 2022/2023 having been read a first, second, and third time, be finally passed and adopted the 26<sup>th</sup> day of April 2022; 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.

Capitol Plan Bylaw No. 2022/23-CPSD41-01

MR. Horswill provided a detailed presentation of the Capital Plan Bylaw No. 2022/23-CPSD41-01 for board consideration and approval.

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

*THAT School District No. 41 (Burnaby) Capital Bylaw No. 2022/23-CPSD41-01 receive three readings at this Board meeting and final adoption in accordance with the Board's Procedural Bylaw.*

Carried unanimously.

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

*THAT School District No. 41 (Burnaby) Capital Bylaw No. 2022/23-CPSD41-01 be read a first time.*

Carried unanimously.

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

*THAT School District No. 41 (Burnaby) Capital Bylaw No. 2022/23-CPD41-01 be approved a first time and read a second time.*

Carried unanimously.

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

*THAT School District No. 41 (Burnaby) Capital Bylaw No. 2022/23-CPD41-01 be approved a second time and read a third time.*

Carried unanimously.

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

*THAT School District No. 41 (Burnaby) Capital Bylaw No. 2022/23-CPD41-01 be approved a third time.*

Carried unanimously.

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

*THAT School District No. 41 (Burnaby) Capital Bylaw No. 2022/23-CPD41-01 having been read a first, second, and third time, be finally passed and adopted the 26<sup>th</sup> day of April 2022; 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.

## **Correspondence**

Dr. Elisabeth Ormandy – Canadian Society for Humane Science Letter – March 2022.

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

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

Carried unanimously.

## **Adjournment**

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

*THAT the meeting be adjourned at 8:00 pm.*

Carried Unanimously.

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Jen Mezei  
Chair

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Russell Horswill, DBA  
Secretary-Treasurer