

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

Trustees: Kristin Schnider (Chair), Jen Mezei, Bill Brassington, Gary Wong, Mikelle Sasakamoose, Peter Cech

Regrets: Larry Hayes

Staff: Superintendent Karim Hachlaf, Secretary-Treasurer Ishver Khunguray, Deputy Superintendent Roberto Bombelli, Assistant Superintendents Brandon Curr, Jeannette Laursoo, and Richard Per, Executive Assistants Deanna Azzara, Joanne Simpson

A Public Session meeting of the Board of Education of School District 41 – Burnaby was held at the District Administration Office, Brentwood Room and via video conference, at 7:00 pm on Tuesday, May 26, 2026.

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**1. Territory Acknowledgement**

Bill Brassington, Trustee, acknowledged the Indigenous territories on which the District is located.

**2. Confirmation of the Agenda**

The agenda was submitted for confirmation.

Moved by: Jen Mezei

Seconded by: Gary Wong

*THAT the agenda be approved, as presented.*

Carried Unanimously

**3. Delegations**

1. Will Gladman - International Representative, International Alliance of Theatre Stage Employees (IATSE), and Chad Matchette on behalf of the Save the Michael J. Fox Theatre Campaign

Will Gladman, International Representative, International Alliance of Theatre Stage Employees (IATSE), and Chad Matchette, Co-Owner Align Entertainment, provided a brief presentation on behalf of the Save the Michael J. Fox Theatre Campaign.

**4. Inside Burnaby Schools**

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

**5. Approval of Minutes**

1. Public Session - April 28, 2026

Moved by: Mikelle Sasakamoose

Seconded by: Bill Brassington

*THAT the minutes of the Public Session of April 28, 2026, be approved.*

Carried Unanimously

**6. Board Chair Report**

Kristin Schnider, Chair, welcomed everyone to the meeting and presented the Board Chair Report.

Moved by: Jen Mezei

Seconded by: Bill Brassington

*THAT the Board of Education receive this information.*

Carried Unanimously

**7. District Operations - Superintendent's Report**

1. Community and Continuing Education - Helping the Community Prepare for the Next Challenge

Burnaby Community and Continuing Education is one of the oldest adult education programs in the province, having served our community since 1928. Five locations across Burnaby (Riverway West, Burnaby North Adult Education Centre, Sapperton at Marian, Edmonds Community School, and Windsor Adult Education Centre) run graduation credit, vocational, and federally funded programs.

Karim Hachlaf, Superintendent, introduced Kevin Brandt, Director of Instruction, Cesare Martino, District Principal, Scott Spracklin, District Vice-Principal, and Monika Dhillon, Academic Advisor, who highlighted the many opportunities our programs provide and shared some success stories of our graduates.

Moved by: Mikelle Sasakamoose

Seconded by: Jen Mezei

*THAT the Board of Education receive this information.*

Carried Unanimously

**Motion to Extend Public Session**

At 8:14 pm, Vice-Chair Mezei motioned to extend the public session.

Moved by: Jen Mezei

Seconded by: Bill Brassington

Carried Unanimously

**8. Committee Reports**

1. Committee of the Whole - May 11, 2026

Moved by: Peter Cech  
Seconded by: Mikelle Sasakamoose

*THAT the Board of Education receive the minutes of the Committee of the Whole Public meeting of May 11, 2026.*

Carried Unanimously

**9. District Operations - Administrative Services Report**

1. School Fees 2026/2027

Brandon Curr, Assistant Superintendent, presented information on the 2026-2027 School Fees.

Moved by: Bill Brassington  
Seconded by: Gary Wong

*THAT the Board of Education approve the attached 2026-2027 fee schedule.*

Carried Unanimously

**10. District Operations - Business Services Report**

1. 2026-2027 Annual Budget and Bylaw

The 2026-2027 operating budget is presented for the Board's consideration and approval. The budget reflects adjustments and recommendations made by the Finance Committee.

Ishver Khunguray, Secretary-Treasurer, presented the Annual Budget Bylaw for the Fiscal Year 2026-2027.

Moved by: Mikelle Sasakamoose  
Seconded by: Jen Mezei

*THAT the Annual Budget Bylaw for the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 receive three readings at this Board meeting held May 26, 2026.*

Carried Unanimously

Moved by: Bill Brassington  
Seconded by: Gary Wong

*THAT the Annual Budget Bylaw for the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 be read a first time.*

Carried Unanimously

Moved by: Gary Wong  
Seconded by: Peter Cech

*THAT the Annual Budget Bylaw for the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 be approved a first time and read a second time.*

Carried Unanimously

Moved by: Bill Brassington  
Seconded by: Jen Mezei

*THAT the Annual Budget Bylaw for the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 be approved a second time and read a third time.*

Carried Unanimously

Moved by: Mikelle Sasakamoose  
Seconded by: Peter Cech

*THAT the Annual Budget Bylaw for the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 be approved a third time.*

Carried Unanimously

Moved by: Jen Mezei  
Seconded by: Gary Wong

*THAT the Annual Budget Bylaw for the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 having been read a first, second, and third time, be finally passed and adopted the 26<sup>th</sup> day of May 2026, and 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

2. 2026-2027 Annual Facility Grant Expenditure Plan

The Board is required to submit to the Ministry of Education and Child Care an Annual Five-Year Capital Plan that is supported by a Board Long-Range Facility Plan.

Secretary-Treasurer Khunguray presented the 2026-2027 Annual Facility Grant Expenditure Plan.

Moved by: Peter Cech  
Seconded by: Bill Brassington

*THAT the Board of Education receive the 2026-2027 Annual Facility Grant Expenditure Plan, as submitted.*

Carried Unanimously

3. Trustee Elections Bylaw 2026

The Board is required to have an Elections Bylaw in place. This bylaw establishes the rules, procedures, and administrative framework necessary to ensure that elections are conducted in a fair, transparent, and consistent manner.

Secretary-Treasurer Khunguray presented the Trustee Elections Bylaw 2026.

Moved by: Peter Cech

Seconded by: Mikelle Sasakamoose

*THAT the Trustee Elections Bylaw 2026 receive three readings at this Board meeting held May 26, 2026*

Carried Unanimously

Moved by: Mikelle Sasakamoose

Seconded by: Bill Brassington

*THAT the Trustee Elections Bylaw 2026 be read a first time.*

Carried Unanimously

Moved by: Gary Wong

Seconded by: Bill Brassington

*THAT the Trustee Elections Bylaw 2026 be approved a first time and read a second time.*

Carried Unanimously

Moved by: Peter Cech

Seconded by: Mikelle Sasakamoose

*THAT the Trustee Elections Bylaw 2026 be approved a second time and read a third time.*

Carried Unanimously

Moved by: Bill Brassington

Seconded by: Mikelle Sasakamoose

*THAT the Trustee Elections Bylaw 2026 be approved a third time.*

Carried Unanimously

Moved by: Bill Brassington

Seconded by: Peter Cech

*THAT the Trustee Elections Bylaw 2026 having been read a first, second and third time, be finally passed and adopted the 26<sup>th</sup> day of May 2026; 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

**11. Unfinished Business**

Nothing to report.

**12. New Business**

1. Policy Updates

Moved by: Peter Cech

Seconded by: Jen Mezei

*THAT the Board of Education approve the following policy for circulation as Notice of Motion: New Policy #26 Environmental Sustainability.*

Carried Unanimously

Vice-Chair Mezei motioned to add new topic, Michael J Fox Theatre, under new business.

Moved by: Jen Mezei

Seconded by: Peter Cech

Carried Unanimously

2. Michael J Fox Theatre

Moved by: Jen Mezei

Seconded by: Bill Brassington

*THAT the Board of Education receive the information from the delegation presentation and public question period and refer it to Private Session following this Public Session.*

Carried Unanimously

**13. Correspondence**

Ombudsperson Quarterly Report: January 1 - March 31, 2026

Moved by: Jen Mezei

Seconded by: Gary Wong

*THAT the Board of Education receive this information.*

Carried Unanimously

**14. Question Period (Timed Item)**

Chair Schnider opened the floor to members of the public for questions.

**15. Board Private Session Reports**

Moved by: Jen Mezei

Seconded by: Bill Brassington

*THAT the Board of Education receive this information.*

Carried Unanimously

**16. Adjournment**

Moved by: Bill Brassington

Seconded by: Jen Mezei

*THAT the meeting be adjourned at 9:08 pm.*

Carried Unanimously

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Kristin Schnider, Chair

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Ishver Khunguray, Secretary-Treasurer