
Minutes

Regular Board Meeting

Date: November 18, 2020
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Location: Via Microsoft Teams

Present:

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| Laurie Larsen | Chairperson |
| Terry Allen | Vice Chairperson |
| Bob Holmes | Trustee |
| Laurae McNally | Trustee |
| Gary Tymoschuk | Trustee |
| Shawn Wilson | Trustee |
| Garry Thind | Trustee |

Staff Present:

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| Dr. Jordan Tinney | Superintendent |
| D. Greg Frank | Secretary-Treasurer |
| Gurdeep Diogan | Executive Assistant |

1. Call to Order

Chairperson Laurie Larsen called the meeting to order.

The following additional staff were in attendance for the meeting:
Neder Dhillon, Assistant Superintendent, Jacob Sol, Assistant Superintendent, Dave Riley, Director, Capital Project Office; Melissa Cherrey, Administrative Assistant.

a. “O Canada” – recording by Simon Cunningham Elementary

The meeting started with a recording of "O Canada" sung by students at Simon Cunningham Elementary.

b. Territorial Acknowledgment

Chairperson Larsen acknowledged the shared, unceded, traditional territory.

c. Approval of Agenda of Regular Board Meeting

Moved By Trustee Shawn Wilson
Seconded By Vice Chairperson Terry Allen

THAT the agenda of the Regular Board Meeting be approved as amended: add item 5d. COVID-19 Update.

CARRIED

2. Delegation.

None.

3. Presentations

a. Continuity of Learning

Assistant Superintendent Jacob Sol provided an overview of the Food Security Programs, and how they have been impacted but adapted and continued throughout the pandemic. Trustees commended staff for their efforts in supporting students during this crucial time.

Assistant Superintendent Neder Dhillon presented on how staff have adapted the Career Education program to provide learning in a safe and responsible way during the pandemic. Trustees commented that for students transitioning to post-secondary continuity of these programs is imperative. Trustees also appreciated staff for continuing with new exploratory programming for students in collaboration with post-secondary partners, despite the pandemic.

4. Action Items

a. Election of Board Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson

Secretary-Treasurer Greg Frank assumed the role of Chairperson. Mr. Frank called for a motion to proceed to elect a new Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson.

Moved By Trustee Gary Tymoschuk
Seconded By Trustee Bob Holmes

THAT the Board of Education proceed to elect a new Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson in accordance with Policy 2915: Trustee Elections – Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson and its Regulation 2915.1.

CARRIED

Election of Board Chairperson

Mr. Frank called for the first time for nominations for the position of Board Chairperson for the 2021 year.

Trustee Terry Allen nominated Trustee Laurie Larsen. Trustee Larsen accepted the nomination.

Mr. Frank called a second and third time for nominations for the position of Board Chairperson for the 2021 year. Receiving no further nominations, he declared Trustee Larsen elected by acclamation as Chairperson of the Board of Education of School District No. 36 (Surrey) for the 2021 year.

Election of Board Vice Chairperson

Mr. Frank called for the first time for nominations for the position of Board Vice Chairperson for the 2021 year.

Trustee Larsen nominated Trustee Terry Allen. Trustee Terry Allen accepted the nomination.

Mr. Frank called a second and third time for nominations for the position of Vice Chairperson. Receiving no further nominations, he declared Trustee Terry Allen elected by acclamation as Vice Chairperson of the Board of Education of School District No. 36 (Surrey) for the 2021 year.

Trustee Laurie Larsen assumed the role of Chairperson.

b. Approval of the October 14, 2020 Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Moved By Trustee Shawn Wilson
Seconded By Trustee Bob Holmes

THAT the October 14, 2020 Regular Board Meeting Minutes be approved as presented.

CARRIED

c. Sketch Plans: K.B. Woodward Elementary (Site 040) Addition, Bassem Tawfik, Architect AIBC, KMBR

Mr. Bassem Tawfik, Architect, KMBR presented the sketch plans for the addition at K.B. Woodward Elementary School.

Moved By Trustee Bob Holmes
Seconded By Vice Chairperson Terry Allen

THAT the sketch plans for an addition at K. B. Woodward Elementary (Site 040), 13130 106 Avenue, be received as presented.

CARRIED

d. Eligible School Sites Proposal - 2021/22 Capital Plan

Moved By Vice Chairperson Terry Allen
Seconded By Trustee Gary Tymoschuk

THAT based on consultation with City of Surrey and the City of White Rock on the Eligible School Sites Proposal (ESSP), the Board of Education of School District No. 36 (Surrey) estimates that there will be 54,270 (68,198 including secondary suites) development units constructed in the school district over the next 10 years (Schedule 'A' – Table 2); and

THAT these 68,198 new development units will be home to an estimated 14,283 school age children (Schedule 'A' – Table 3); and

THAT the School Board expects 7 new school sites and 1 site expansion, over the ten-year period, will be required as the result of this growth in the school district and the site acquisitions will be located as presented in Schedule 'B'; and

THAT according to Ministry of Education site standards presented in Schedule 'B' these sites will require in total 21.9 hectares (approx. 54.12 acres). These sites should be purchased within ten years and serviced land cost is estimated at \$187,455,000; and

THAT the Eligible School Sites Proposal be forwarded to Local Governments for acceptance; and THAT pending Local Government acceptance, the Eligible School Sites Proposal, be included in the 2021/22 Five Year Capital Plan submission to the Ministry of Education.

CARRIED

Moved By Trustee Gary Tymoschuk
Seconded By Trustee Bob Holmes

THAT the Chairperson write to the new Ministers of Education and Finance to request that the legislation and regulation that govern the School Site Acquisition Charge be reviewed in order to increase the maximum amount, and further to allow for future annual adjustments to be made in line with the cost-of-living index.

CARRIED

e. Board Governance Framework and Annual Work Plan 2020-2021

Moved By Trustee Gary Tymoschuk
Seconded By Trustee Shawn Wilson

THAT the Board of Education adopt the 2020-2021 Governance Framework and Annual Work Plan as presented.

CARRIED

f. Establishment of Parent Advisory Council at Douglas Elementary School

Moved By Trustee Bob Holmes
Seconded By Trustee Shawn Wilson

THAT the Board formally recognize the establishment of a Parents' Advisory Council at Douglas Elementary School.

CARRIED

g. Establishment of Parent Advisory Council at Edgewood Elementary School

Moved By Vice Chairperson Terry Allen
Seconded By Trustee Gary Tymoschuk

THAT the Board formally recognize the establishment of a Parents' Advisory Council at Edgewood Elementary School.

CARRIED

5. Information & Proposals

a. Board Report

Chairperson Laurie Larsen reported on Trustee activities since the last Board meeting.

b. Policy Committee Report

Trustee Tymoschuk, Chair of the Board's Policy Committee, presented the Policy Report.

Moved By Trustee Gary Tymoschuk
Seconded By Trustee Shawn Wilson

THAT the Board of Education receive Policy 2320, 8320, and 8450 as presented for information.

CARRIED

c. Progress Report Active Capital Projects

Trustees received a progress report regarding active capital projects being planned or under construction in the district.

Moved By Trustee Bob Holmes
Seconded By Trustee Gary Tymoschuk

THAT the Board of Education receive the Progress Report on Active Capital Projects as presented.

CARRIED

d. COVID-19 Update

Superintendent Tinney provided an update on the recent closure of Cambridge Elementary School by the Public Health Office due to a COVID-19 outbreak. Superintendent Tinney appreciated the work of school and district staff relating to this incident and responded to pandemic related questions from trustees. The Board thanked the leadership and all staff in dealing with the many challenges

and additional work being undertaken to deal with the pandemic whilst ensuring the work of education and learning continues.

6. Future Business

a. Items for Future Discussion

No items.

b. Next Meeting

Trustees made note of next meeting outlined on the agenda.

7. Adjournment

Moved By Trustee Gary Tymoschuk

Seconded By Trustee Bob Holmes

THAT the Regular meeting of the Board be adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

CARRIED

Laurie Larsen, Chairperson

D. Greg Frank, Secretary-Treasurer