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# Minutes

## Regular Board Meeting

Date: December 9, 2020  
Time: 7:00 p.m.  
Location: Regular Meeting - Microsoft Teams

Present:

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

Staff Present:

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:  
Patti Dundas, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer; Lynda Reeve, Assistant Superintendent,  
Gloria Sarmiento, Director of Instruction, Dave Riley, Director, Capital Project Office;  
Liane Ricou, Associate Director, Business Development; and Melissa Cherrey,  
Administrative Assistant.

- a. "O Canada" – recording by Surrey Children's Choir  
Trustees, administration and the audience sang "O Canada" accompanied with a recording by Surrey Children's Choir.
- 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 Trustee Gary Tymoschuk

*THAT the agenda of the Regular Board Meeting be approved as presented.*

**CARRIED**

## 2. Delegation

None.

## 3. Presentation

### a. Mentorship Program

Lynda Reeve, Assistant Superintendent and Gloria Sarmento, Director of Instruction presented on the Mentorship Program, and how it continues to evolve to remain effective and impactful for participants. Trustees thanked the senior leadership team, and the STA, for all of the work that is being done to help mentor new teachers.

## 4. Action Items

### a. Approval of the November 18, 2020 Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Moved By Trustee Shawn Wilson  
Seconded By Vice Chairperson Terry Allen

*THAT the November 18, 2020 Regular Board Meeting Minutes be approved as presented.*

**CARRIED**

### b. Policy Committee Report

Trustee Tymoschuk, Chair of the Policy Committee, presented the policy committee report.

Moved By Trustee Gary Tymoschuk  
Seconded By Trustee Shawn Wilson

*THAT the Board of Education approve the following revised policies as presented:*

1. Policy 2320: Board Committee and Trustee Representation
2. Policy 8320: Programs of Choice and Focus Programs changed to "Community-Initiated Programs"
3. Policy 8450: French Immersion.

**CARRIED**

c. BC Summer Games Bid 2026

Secretary-Treasurer Greg Frank introduced Liane Ricou, Associate Director, Business Development who provided an overview of the 2026 BC Summer Games Bid Administrative Memo presented to the Board. Ms. Ricou responded to questions from trustees.

Moved By Vice Chairperson Terry Allen  
Seconded By Trustee Gary Tymoschuk

*THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 36 (Surrey), endorse the City of Surrey's bid to host the 2026 BC Summer Games and agree to allow the use of school facilities to accommodate participants, coaches and team volunteers; and*

*THAT any costs incurred by the Surrey School District in support of the 2026 BC Summer Games be reimbursed by the City of Surrey, and*

*THAT this endorsement be dated December 9, 2020.*

**CARRIED**

d. 2021-2022 Board Meeting Schedule

Moved By Garry Thind  
Seconded By Trustee Bob Holmes

*THAT the Board of Education approve the 2021-2022 Board Meetings Schedule as presented.*

**CARRIED**

## 5. Information & Proposals

a. Board Report

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

b. One Time COVID Funding Grants

Vice Chair Allen provided a verbal report on the one-time COVID Funding Grants and the allocation of funds.

c. Progress Report Active Capital Projects

Trustees received a progress report regarding active capital projects being planned or under construction in the district. Dave Riley, Director, Capital Project Office, highlighted the completion and occupancy of Douglas Elementary School in November 2020 and the imminent completion and occupancy of Edgewood Elementary School in the New Year.

Vice Chair Allen thanked the Capital Project Office for their continued progress on capital projects. He also took the opportunity to recognize former Minister of

Education Rob Fleming for his support during his tenure, and looked forward to receiving continued support and collaboration on capital projects from the newly appointed Minister of Education Jennifer Whiteside.

Moved By Trustee Bob Holmes  
Seconded By Vice Chairperson Terry Allen

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

**CARRIED**

## **6. Future Business**

a. Items for Future Discussion

No items.

b. Next Meeting

Trustees made note of the next meeting outlined on the agenda.

## **7. Adjournment**

Moved By Trustee Shawn Wilson  
Seconded By Vice Chairperson Terry Allen

*THAT the Regular meeting of the Board be adjourned at 7:43 p.m.*

**CARRIED**

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Laurie Larsen, Chairperson

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D. Greg Frank, Secretary-Treasurer