

Minutes

Regular Board Meeting

Date: January 19, 2017
Time: 7:05 p.m.
Location: School District No. 36 (Surrey)
District Education Centre
Main Boardroom - Room #2020

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| Present: | Shawn Wilson | Chairperson |
| | Laurie Larsen | Vice Chairperson |
| | Terry Allen | Trustee |
| | Bob Holmes | Trustee |
| | Laurae McNally | Trustee |
| | Garry Thind | Trustee |
| | Gary Tymoschuk | Trustee |
| Staff Present: | Dr. Jordan Tinney | Superintendent |
| | Greg Frank | Secretary-Treasurer |
| | Karen Botsford | Executive Assistant |

1. Call to Order

Chairperson Wilson called the meeting to order.

The following additional staff were in attendance for the meeting:

Zale Darnel, Helping Teacher; Neder Dhillon, Director of Instruction; Patti Dundas, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer; Andrew Holland, Assistant Superintendent; Sean Juteau, PE Helping Teacher; Erin McCabe, Teacher; Kerry Magnus, Associate Director Business Management Services; Jamie Overgaard, Teacher; Kathy Puharich, Director of Instruction; Doug Strachan, Manager Communication Services; Emily Watson, Manager, Demographics & Facilities Planning.

a. "O Canada" – recording by Frost Road Elementary Students

Trustees, administration and the audience sang "O Canada" accompanied by a recording by Frost Road Elementary Students.

b. Approval of Agenda of Regular Board Meeting

Moved by Trustee Laurae McNally
Seconded by Trustee Terry Allen

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

CARRIED

2. Delegations

a. District Parents Advisory Council/Surrey Schools Coalition (SSC) - Ms. Karen Tan

Karen Tan, President of Surrey DPAC, spoke on behalf of Surrey Schools Coalition to inform the Board of their advocacy work on capital funding for the Surrey School District. SSC is a coalition of Surrey District Parent Advisory Council, Surrey Board of Trade, Urban Development Institute, and the Greater Vancouver Builders Association. The Coalition is requesting that the government provide \$175 million in funding immediately for additional capital projects and that the Board of Education join the Coalition in their advocacy.

Chairperson Shawn Wilson thanked Ms. Tan for the advocacy work the coalition is doing and indicated that the Board will respond to their request.

b. Green Timbers Elementary School Parents - Ms. Navneet Kahlon

Ms. Navneet Kahlon, Green Timbers Elementary PAC's Vice-President, spoke on behalf of parents who would like to have Punjabi as a 2nd language option for grades 5 to 8 students. Ms. Kahlon provided suggestions for the process of surveying parents and for supporting Punjabi Language programs.

Chairperson Shawn Wilson thanked the delegation for their presentation and indicated that the Board will respond to their request.

3. Action Items

a. Adoption of Minutes of Regular Board Meeting Held 2016-12-14

Moved by Trustee Gary Tymoschuk
Seconded by Trustee Laurae McNally

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Board meeting held 2016-12-14 be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

b. 2017-2018 Board Authorized Courses

Dr. Jordan Tinney, Superintendent introduced Kathy Puharich, Director of Instruction who spoke about the development of the Board Authorized Courses being put forth for approval and introduced the Helping Teachers and Teachers who had worked on the two programs.

Chairperson Shawn Wilson thanked the staff for their dedication and hard work developing courses relevant to the students they support. He also stated that these courses provide life skills that are transferable.

Moved by Trustee Terry Allen
Seconded by Trustee Gary Tymoschuk

THAT the Board of Education approve the Board Authorized Courses, Athletic Coaching 12 and Pastry Arts and Baking 12 for the 2017/2018 school year.

CARRIED

c. Proposed 2 Year School Calendar for 2017-2018 and 2018-2019 School Years

Dr. Jordan Tinney, Superintendent, introduced the recommended two year school calendar and thanked Rick Ryan, Deputy Superintendent for his work on developing the school calendars. Dr. Tinney explained that each Board is required to develop and approve their school calendars in accordance with the School Act and submit their school calendars to the Ministry.

Moved by Trustee Gary Tymoschuk
Seconded by Trustee Garry Thind

THAT the Board approve the local calendar for the 2017-2018 and 2018-2019 school years as follows:

| Year 2017 - 2018 | Year 2018 - 2019 |
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| 6 district non-instructional days: September 25, 2017 October 20, 2017 November 10, 2017 February 16, 2018 May 4, 2018 May 28, 2018 1 Ministry Curriculum day: November 3, 2017 1 Administrative day: June 29, 2018 | 6 district non-instructional days: September 24, 2018 October 19, 2018 November 9, 2018 February 15, 2019 May 3, 2019 May 27, 2019 1 Administrative day: June 28, 2019 |
| 4 district school closure days: March 26 – March 29, 2018 (following a one -week spring break from March 19 – March 23, 2018) | 5 district school closure days: March 25 – March 29, 2019 (following a one -week spring break from March 18 – March 22, 2019) |

and

THAT the Board approve the proposed 2017-2018 and 2018-2019 calendar submissions to the Ministry of Education.

CARRIED

d. Annual Review of Kilometrage Reimbursement Rate

Moved by Trustee Garry Thind
Seconded by Trustee Laurae McNally

THAT the Board of Education maintain the Kilometrage Reimbursement Rate of \$0.54 per km, effective 2017-02-01.

CARRIED

4. Information & Proposals

a. Response to December 14, 2016 Delegations - verbal

Chairperson Shawn Wilson reported that the Board of Education responded to both delegations: Sue Heuman, Grievance Officer STA and Laura Barker, 1st Vice President STA. Both delegations received correspondence from the Board.

b. Trustee Reports

Chairperson Shawn Wilson reported on Trustee activities since the last Board meeting. A copy of the report is on the website.

c. Board Committees / Trustee Representation 2017 - to be distributed

The Board received the Board Committees / Trustee Representation 2017 for information.

d. Update on Supreme Court Decision and Interim Measures - to be distributed

Dr. Jordan Tinney, Superintendent provided a report on the implications of the Supreme Court Decision. Currently the Ministry has provided funding for interim relief and the District is working with the Surrey Teachers Association in the allocation of this funding. The District has posted positions for non-enrolling teachers and will require dozens of teachers. Long term the BCTF and the Ministry have agreed to reopen the bargaining and will be revisiting the agreement.

Dr. Tinney emphasized how complicated the process is when considering implementing outdated contract language into today's current system.

e. Progress Report Active Capital Projects

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

5. Future Business

a. Items for Future Discussion

No items.

b. Future Meetings

Trustees made note of future meetings outlined on the agenda.

6. Question Period

Trustees received questions from the audience following the conclusion of the meeting.

7. Adjournment

Moved by Trustee Terry Allen
Seconded by Trustee Gary Tymoschuk

THAT the Regular meeting of the Board be adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

CARRIED

Shawn Wilson
Chairperson

D. Greg Frank
Secretary-Treasurer
