

The Board of Education School District No. 36 (Surrey)

## Administrative Memorandum

**Regular Board Meeting** 

Date:	February 14, 2018
Topic:	School Naming
Submitted by:	Rick Ryan, Deputy Superintendent

## Background:

At the December 6, 2017 public board meeting, the Board approved the recommendation of the Adhoc Public Relations Committee to name three future school sites, including Site 184 (19405 – 76 Avenue) which was named "Burke Road Elementary School". The name reflected one of two city heritage names for 76 Avenue.

However, since the names were selected, the Committee has learned that Burke Road refers to a section of 76 Avenue that begins four kilometres west of the school site. The heritage name of Maddaugh Road applies to the section of 76 Avenue where the new school site is located.

The Committee also conducted research on the history of the Maddaugh name. Through contact with a family member, the Committee learned that the road is named after homesteader Isaac Maddaugh who built a section of what is now 76 Avenue in the early 1900's. He was an ex-Klondike gold miner who settled in this area of Surrey, becoming a poultry farmer. He died in 1921 of pneumonia. The Committee also learned that the correct pronunciation of Maddaugh is "MA-daw".

## It is recommended:

THAT Burke Road Elementary School (Site 184) be renamed Maddaugh Elementary School.