

Environmental Upgrades and Carbon Neutral Initiatives

The Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) passed a motion on May 26, 2008 calling on the Provincial Government to fund environmental upgrades and include carbon neutral initiative funding in capital and seismic upgrade funding.

Mark Walsh, Vice Chair, said “It is time, before we get started on new projects, for the government to provide guidelines and funding for these projects sooner rather than later.”

The school district has a number of major capital projects coming over the next few years. During the planning stages, district officials would like to be able to incorporate major environmental upgrades at the ground level.

“This decision is intended to be an addition to our ongoing environmental work within the district. Our staff, parents and community expect forward thinking projects and for the government to begin this funding would be a significant step in meeting our carbon neutrality goals,” said Walsh.

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