



**The Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria)
August 25, 2014 Special Board Meeting - Goward House, 2495 Arbutus Road**

MINUTES

Present:

Trustees Peg Orcheron (Chair), Bev Horsman (Vice-Chair), Catherine Alpha, Tom Ferris, Elaine Leonard, Edith Loring-Kuhanga, Diane McNally, Deborah Nohr

Regrets: Trustee Michael McEvoy

Administration:

Sherri Bell, Superintendent of Schools, Debra Laser, Secretary-Treasurer, Vicki Hanley, Recording Secretary

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

Chair Orcheron recognized and acknowledged the Esquimalt and Songhees Nations, on whose traditional territories, we live, we learn, and we do our work.

A. COMMENCEMENT OF MEETING

A1. Approval of the Agenda

It was moved and seconded:

That the August 25, 2014 Agenda be approved with the following changes/additions:

C. Superintendent's Report

Motion Carried Unanimously

B. BYLAW 9005 - TRUSTEE ELECTIONS AND BY-ELECTIONS

Secretary-Treasurer Laser referred Trustees to Bylaw 9005 - Trustee Elections and By-Elections and provided highlights of the changes and updated terminology. The bylaw has been revised to include reference to the new Local Elections Campaign Financing Act, and to add "minimum number of nominators" and "nomination deposit" to the list of provisions in a local government bylaw which do not apply to trustee elections. Discussion ensued amongst the Trustees with questions of clarification being asked of Secretary-Treasurer Laser.

It was moved and seconded:

That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) agrees to give all three readings to Bylaw 9005, Trustee Elections and By-Elections at the meeting of August 25, 2014.

Motion Carried Unanimously

It was moved and seconded:

That Bylaw 9005, Trustee Elections and By-Elections be:

Read a first time this 25th day of August, 2014;

Read a second time this 25th day of August, 2014;

Read a third time, passed and adopted this 25th day of August, 2014.

Motion Carried Unanimously

C. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent Bell provided Trustees with an update with respect to the maintenance work that was completed within the schools over the summer and the potential for continued job action disrupting the beginning of the school year. Superintendent Bell advised Trustees that all schools are open during the last week of August and principals and vice-principals are there to assist parents with registration. Further, approximately 470 international students have arrived and will take part in orientation the week beginning August 25 facilitated by principals and vice-principals. Discussion ensued amongst Trustees with questions being asked of Superintendent Bell.

D. PUBLIC DISCLOSURE OF IN-CAMERA ITEMS - None

E. ADJOURNMENT

It was moved and seconded

That the meeting be adjourned.

Motion Carried

The meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

CERTIFIED CORRECT

Chair

Secretary-Treasurer