# The Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria)

## **Regular Board Meeting**

Monday, March 13, 2017- 7:30 p.m.

**Tolmie Boardroom 556 Boleskine Road** 

(Please note that an In-Camera Board meeting will precede the Regular Board meeting)



## The Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) Regular Board Meeting, Monday, March 13, 2017 @ 7:30 p.m. Tolmie Boardroom, 556 Boleskine Road

#### **AGENDA**

#### A. COMMENCEMENT OF MEETING

The Greater Victoria School District wishes to recognize and acknowledge the Esquimalt and Songhees Nations, on whose traditional territories, we live, we learn, and we do our work.

A1. Approval of the Agenda

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- A2. Approval of the Minutes
  - a) Approval of the February 27, 2017 Regular Board Minutes

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- A3. Business arising from the Minutes
- A4. Student Achievement
  - a) Lynda Whittam, Principal, Northridge Elementary School
- A5. District Presentations
- **A6. Community Presentations** (5 minutes per presentation)
  - a) Fred Schmidt, President, CUPE Local 382 Facilities Reorganization
- B. CORRESPONDENC
- C. TRUSTEE REPORTS
  - C1. Chair's Report
  - C2. Trustees' Reports
    - a) Trustee McNally Choices Transitional Shelter

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- D. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS
  - D1. Combined Education Policy and Directions Committee and Operations Policy and Planning Committee Meeting

a) Minutes from the March 6, 2017 meeting – Information only

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b) Recommended Motions:

That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) approve the recommended motion from the March 6, 2017 Combined Education Policy and Directions Committee and Operations Policy and Planning Committee meeting.

i) That the Board of Education of School District No.61 (Greater Victoria) support the Day of Mourning, April 28,2017 and communicate its support to all employees.

#### E. DISTRICT LEADERSHIP TEAM REPORTS

#### E1. Superintendent's Report

a) Monthly Report (p 17)

That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) receive the Superintendent's report as presented.

b) One Learning Community Ad Hoc Committee

(p 18-19)

That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) approve the terms of reference for the One Learning Community Ad Hoc Committee.

c) Trustee Questions

(p 20)

#### E2. Secretary-Treasurer's Report

a) Monthly Report

(p 21)

That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) receive the Secretary-Treasurer's report as presented.

- F. QUESTION PERIOD (15 minutes total)
- G. PUBLIC DISCLOSURE OF IN-CAMERA ITEMS
- H. NEW BUSINESS/NOTICE OF MOTIONS
  - H1. New Business
  - **H2.** Notice of Motions
- I. ADJOURNMENT



## The Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) February 27, 2017 Regular Board Meeting - Tolmie Boardroom, 556 Boleskine Road

#### **MINUTES**

#### Present:

Edith Loring-Kuhanga, Chair, Diane McNally, Debra Nohr, Peg Orcherton, Rob Paynter, Ann Whiteaker, Jordan Watters. Elaine Leonard

#### Regrets:

Tom Ferris, Vice-Chair

#### Administration:

Piet Langstraat, Superintendent of Schools, Mark Walsh, Secretary-Treasurer, Shelley Green, Deputy Superintendent, Deb Whitten, Associate Superintendent, Greg Kitchen, Associate Superintendent, Katie Hamilton, Manager, Community Engagement and Communications, Julie Lutner, Senior Manager, Budgets and Financial Analysis and Tina Carleton, Recording Secretary

The meeting was called to order at 7:39 p.m.

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

#### A. COMMENCEMENT OF THE MEETING

#### A1. Approval of the Agenda

It was moved by Trustee Orcherton and seconded:

That the February 27, 2017 Agenda be approved with the following additions/changes:

Item A3. a) Trustee McNally – Withdrawal from the BCSTA be moved for discussion under New Business as item H1. a)

**Motion Carried** 

For: Loring-Kuhanga, McNally, Nohr, Orcherton, Paynter, Whiteaker, Watters. Against: Leonard

#### A2. Approval of the Minutes

a) It was moved by Trustee Leonard and seconded:

That the January 23, 2017 Regular Board Minutes be approved.

**Motion Carried Unanimously** 

#### A3. Business arising from the Minutes – None

#### A4. Student Achievement

a) Joanna Snow, Principal and Melanie Postle, Vice-Principal, of McKenzie Elementary reviewed the areas of focus for their school including improving student engagement in the writing process in an inclusive learning environment and their Early Literacy Pilot Project.

Chair Loring-Kuhanga thanked Ms. Snow and Ms. Postle for their presentation.

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#### **A5. District Presentations** – None

#### A6. Community Presentations

- a) Colette Baty, President, Vancouver Island School of Art presented on the school and indiciated a desire for the school to continue at the site of 2549 Quadra St.
- b) Wendy Welch, Executive Director, Vancouver Island School of Art made her presentation about the role that their school plays in the community.

Chair Loring-Kuhanga thanked Ms. Baty and Ms. Welch for their presentations.

#### B. CORRESPONDENCE

#### **B1.** Letter from Assistant Deputy Minister Farkas

A letter from Assistant Deputy Minister Farkas was received for information.

#### B2. Letter from School District No. 62 (Sooke)

A letter from School District No. 62 (Sooke) was received for information.

#### **B3.** Letter regarding Christie Point

A letter was received regarding the Christie Point re-development plan.

#### C. TRUSTEE REPORTS

#### C1. Chair's Report

- a) Chair Loring-Kuhanga reviewed her various activities over the past month and paid her respects to the late John Bird, former president of the Victoria Confederation of Parent Advisory Councils.
- b) Trustee Professional Development

Chair Loring-Kuhanga outlined the request to increase trustee professional development funding for the next school year so that Trustees could have access to attend the Canadian School Boards Association Congress. Trustees provided their comments and it was suggested that the motion be tabled to a future meeting.

#### Chair Loring-Kuhanga moved and it was seconded:

That the motion "That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) increase the trustee professional development allocation for the 2017-2018 school year to ensure that Trustees have access to attend the Canadian School Boards Association Congress" be tabled.

Motion Referred to the Policy Sub-Committee

#### It was moved by Trustee Whiteaker and seconded

That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) refer the motion "That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) increase the trustee professional development allocation for the 2017-2018 school year to ensure that Trustees have access to attend the Canadian School Boards Association Congress" to the Policy Sub-Committee.

**Motion Carried** 

For: Loring-Kuhanga, McNally, Nohr, Orcherton, Paynter, Whiteaker, Watters. Against: Leonard, Orcherton

#### C2. Trustees' Reports

- Trustee Watters discussed the work of the Victoria Family Court and Youth Justice Committee.
- b) Trustee Whiteaker reviewed her activities over the past month and presented the BCSTA Provincial Council report.
- c) Trustee McNally reviewed the highlights of the Choices Transitional Home community meeting and provided a handout.

#### D. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

#### D1. Education Policy and Directions Committee

a) The February 6, 2017 meeting was cancelled.

#### D2. Operations Policy and Planning Committee

- a) The February 14, 2017 meeting minutes were received for information.
- b) Trustee Watters moved and it was seconded:

That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) approve the recommended motions with the exception of items i) ii) and iii) from the February 14, 2017 Operations Policy and Planning Committee meeting.

Motion Carried Unanimously

#### Trustee Leonard moved and it was seconded:

 That the Board of Education of School District No.61 (Greater Victoria) agree to give all three readings of the 2016/2017 Amended Annual Budget Bylaw at the meeting of February 27, 2017.

**Motion Carried Unanimously** 

#### Trustee Orcherton moved and it was seconded:

ii) That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) Amended Annual Budget Bylaw for fiscal year 2016/2017 in the amount of \$223.083.534 be:

Read a first time the 27th day of February, 2017;

Read a second time the 27th day of February, 2017;

Read a third time, passed and adopted the 27th day of February, 2017;

And that the Chairperson and the Secretary-Treasurer be authorized to sign, seal and execute this Bylaw on behalf of the Board.

**Motion Carried Unanimously** 

#### Trustee McNally moved and it was seconded:

iii) That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) refer Policy 1240 - *School Volunteers* back to the Policy Sub-Committee for further review.

**Motion Defeated** 

For: Trustee McNally

Against: Trustees Leonard, Loring-Kuhanga, Nohr, Orcherton,

Paynter, Whiteaker and Watters

#### Trustee Leonard moved and it was seconded:

That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) accept Policy 1240 - *School Volunteers* as reviewed with no changes.

**Motion Carried** 

For: Trustees Leonard, Loring-Kuhanga, Nohr, Orcherton, Paynter,

Whiteaker and Watters Against: Trustee McNally

iv) That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) direct the Superintendent to revise the regulation associated with Policy 1240 - *School Volunteers* to bring clarity to the regulation with respect to volunteers in schools.

**Motion Carried Unanimously** 

v) That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) direct the Superintendent to provide the Board an updated organization chart when changes are made.

**Motion Carried Unanimously** 

#### E. DISTRICT LEADERSHIP TEAM REPORTS

#### E1. Superintendent's Report

a) Superintendent Langstraat presented his monthly report.

It was moved by Trustee Whiteaker and seconded:

That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) receive the Superintendent's report as presented.

**Motion Carried Unanimously** 

#### b) Syrian Refugees

Superintendent Langstraat provided an overview of the coordination between the Greater Victoria School District and other school districts, Vancouver Island Health, Inter-Cultural Association of Greater Victoria, Victoria Immigrant and Refugee Centre Society, and other outside agencies who provide specific counseling services in preparation for welcoming newcomer Syrian students and families. Those schools supporting a larger number of Syrian students new to the school have been given additional English Language Learning teaching time. Trustees asked questions and provided comments.

c) School Calendars 2017-18 and 2018-19

Associate Superintendent Kitchen reviewed the process undertaken to develop the calendars and the input received. Trustees asked questions of clarification.

It was moved by Trustee Watters and seconded:

That the following dates be approved:

2017/2018 School Year Calendar\*

School Opening – September 5, 2017
First non-instructional day – September 18, 2017
Thanksgiving – October 9, 2017

Second non-instructional day – October 20, 2017 (Province

wide)

Remembrance Day – 6 November 13, 2017 Third non-instructional day – November 24, 2017

Schools close for Winter vacation – December 22, 2017 Schools re-open after Winter vacation -January 8, 2018 Family Day -February 12, 2018 Fourth non-instructional day -February 23, 2018 Schools close for Spring vacation – March 16, 2018 Good Friday – March 30, 2018 Easter Monday -April 2, 2018 Schools re-open after Spring vacation -April 4, 2018 Fifth non-instructional day – April 20, 2018 Sixth non-instructional day – May 18, 2018 May 21, 2018 Victoria Day – Administrative Day and School Closing -June 29, 2018

\*Seventh non-instructional day to be chosen by each school

#### 2018/2019 School Year Calendar\*

School Opening – September 4, 2018
First non-instructional day – September 17, 2018
Thanksgiving – October 8, 2018

Second non-instructional day – October 19, 2018 (Province

wide)

Remembrance Day – November 12, 2018 Third non-instructional day -November 23, 2018 Schools close for Winter vacation – December 21, 2018 Schools re-open after Winter vacation – January 7, 2019 February 11, 2019 Family Day – Fourth non-instructional day – February 22, 2019 Schools close for Spring vacation -March 15, 2019 April 1, 2019 Schools re-open after Spring vacation -April 19, 2019 Good Friday – Easter Monday – April 22, 2019 Fifth non-instructional day -May 17, 2019 Victoria Day -May 20, 2019 Administrative Day and School Closing -June 28, 2019

\*Sixth non-instructional day to be chosen by each school

**Motion Carried Unanimously** 

#### d) Interim Funding update

Superintendent Langstraat explained that the school district received \$1.7 million to begin to address the outcome of the Supreme Court of Canada ruling and presented a spreadsheet showing the allocation by school and teaching category. Trustees asked questions of clarification.

#### e) Field trips to the United States

Superintendent Langstraat reviewed the planned student travel to the United States between March and June and responded to questions from Trustees. Trustees supported the direction of the Superintendent as contained in his memo.

#### f) Student Enrolment Priorities Public Consultation

Katie Hamilton, Manager, Community Engagement and Communications updated the Board on the public consultation process to be undertaken in March to solicit input about priorities for student enrolment. Upon conclusion of the consultation period, a summary "What We Heard" document outlining the process, input collected and analysis will be developed for the Board's review. Trustees provided comments.

There were no questions asked by Trustees of Superintendent Langstraat.

#### E2. Secretary-Treasurer's Report

a) Secretary-Treasurer Walsh presented his monthly report.

It was moved by Trustee Leonard and seconded:

That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) receive the Secretary-Treasurer's report as presented.

**Motion Carried Unanimously** 

b) 2549 Quadra Street - Quadra Warehouse

Secretary-Treasurer Walsh outlined the current terms of the lease and the condition assessment of the property and stated that all school district sites are being reviewed for potential district use. Trustees asked questions of clarification.

#### F. QUESTION PERIOD

Collette Baty, President, Vancouver Island School of Art asked for an explanation of how the District came to the determination of fair market value of the property located at 2549 Quadra St.

Secretary Treasurer Walsh indicated that the estimate contained in his memo was an estimate based on comparables provided by internal staff and did not receive a formal appraisal.

#### G. PUBLIC DISCLOSURE OF IN-CAMERA ITEMS – None

#### H. NEW BUSINESS/NOTICE OF MOTIONS

#### H1. New Business

a) Trustee McNally – Withdrawal from the BCSTA

Trustee McNally presented her motion and her rationale. Discussion ensued amongst the Trustees.

It was moved by Trustee McNally and seconded:

That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) instruct the Chair to prepare the necessary documents to effect withdrawal of this Board from the BCSTA as soon as possible.

**Motion Defeated** 

For: Trustees Loring-Kuhanga, Nohr and McNally

Against: Trustees Orcherton, Leonard, Paynter, Watters and Whiteaker.

It was moved by Trustee Whiteaker and seconded:

That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) extend the board meeting time past 11:00 p.m.

**Motion Carried** 

Against: Trustee Orcherton

b) Trustee Whiteaker – Substantive Motions to BCSTA AGM

It was moved by Trustee Whiteaker and seconded:

That the Board of Education of School District No.61 (Greater Victoria) provide the following motion to the BCSTA AGM: "That the BCSTA Board of Directors request the legislative Committee to review the BCSTA current bylaws to ensure they continue to best serve the membership and current organizational structure."

**Motion Carried Unanimously** 

It was moved by Trustee Whiteaker and seconded:

ii) That the motion "That the Board of Education of School District No.61 (Greater Victoria) provide the following motion to the BCSTA AGM: "That the BCSTA urge government to bring Early Childhood Development and the appropriate full funding under the responsibility of the Ministry of Education" be withdrawn.

**Motion Withdrawn** 

#### H2. Notice of Motions - None

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TIZ: Notice of Motions Home	
ADJOURNMENT	
It was moved by Trustee Whiteaker and seconded: That the meeting be adjourned.	Motion Carried Unanimous
The meeting adjourned at 11:07 p.m.	
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Chair	Secretary-Treasurer



#### Choices Transitional Home Neighborhood Group Meeting Choices Phone 778-265-9610

#### **MEETING MINUTES**

Date:

Tuesday February. 28th 2017

Time:

7:00 pm

Place:

Choices Facility 94 Talcott road.

#### Introductions:

BC Housing:	Heidi Hartman
Choices Manager:	Clayton Ealey
Our Place Society-Recorder:	Tara Nelson
Allied Universal Security	Laura Black

GV School District 61:	Diane McNally	
Mayor of View Royal	David Screech	
RCMP:	Kathy Rochiltz	
Fire Department:	Paul Hurst	

Resident Neighbors:	
Geoff Burian	Cary Gustafson
Sandi and David Stevens	Jaime Morais
Keith and Lori Robson	Pat Fafard
John Rogers	Edmond Duggan
Andy House	

#### Welcome:

David Screech welcomed everyone to the gathering.

#### **Choices Transitional Home Update:**

- Present count on site is 48 residences.
- Calls to the police from choices in the month of February
  - 911 calls zero
  - Non emergency two a mental health assessment
    - residents refused to leave after being issued a 24hr band.
- -Direct calls to Choices from the community zero.

- -Choices experienced its second overdose fatality. We are reviewing the situation to make sure we improve any processes so that we can continue to reduce the chances of fatalities.
- -Some of the residents recently enjoyed an outing to watch the Victoria Grizzlies hockey game.
- -One gentleman just received his one year medallion for sobriety.
- -As of today all residents will have a room

#### **Allied Universal Security Update:**

- -Police ambulance and the coroner attended fatality call.
- -Patrols have increased specifically along the bushes around the Galloping goose Trail but no issues have been noted.
- The fish counting station behind the Site continues to be monitored; everything is intact with no issues.
- -a couple of needles where found around the outer lying forested areas in the last month which where disposed of by security staff
- -It has been noted by residents that security has been using cell phones texting/ talking on their routes
- -Residents want to personally thank security for cleaning up community

#### Roundtable

BC Housing: Heidi Hartman

-Rezoning options have not been discussed at this point yet

#### Fire Department: Paul Hurst

- -Creek side building now open and all choices residents have been moved indoors
- -The fire department is attending staff meetings regularly and choices employees are visiting the fire department
- -Paul is working closely with Deb and Don on improving fire safety of the building
- -Fire inspector does regular inspections of every room every two weeks at Choices
- -No by law issues connected with Choices have come up in the last two months

#### RCMP: Kathy Rochiltz

- -In continuing communication with Our Place Society
- -Residents would like more stats come from RCMP
- -Residents request that RCMP, Ambulance, and Fire Services shut off their lights when driving along Talcott road at night.

#### **Resident Neighbors Comments:**

- -Questions arose in regards to the last meeting hosted by City Spaces as there was some confusion as to how things where left. The meeting was intended to update the community on BC Housings request for a temporary use permit rather than applying for rezoning at this time.
- -Residents would like to see meeting minutes come out of that meeting and shared with the community at large. To be followed up by Heidi.
- -Residents would also like to have more notice for the next City Spaces meetings and have the meetings more widely advertised outside of our regular Choices Neighborhood Group.

#### **Next Steps:**

-Heidi to follow up with City Spaces on getting notice for future meetings and minutes from the last meeting.

#### **Next Meeting:**

Date:

March. 28<sup>th</sup> 2017

Time:

7:00 pm

Location:

**Choices Facility 94 Talcott Road** 



#### Combined Education Policy and Directions Committee and Operations Policy and Planning Committee Meeting March 6, 2017 – GVSD Board Office, Boardroom

#### **REGULAR MINUTES**

**Present:** Ann Whiteaker, Chair, Jordan Watters, Chair, Diane McNally, Rob Paynter, Elaine Leonard, Edith Loring-Kuhanga, Deborah Nohr, Tom Ferris

**Regrets:** Peg Orcherton

#### Administration:

Piet Langstraat, Superintendent of Schools, Mark Walsh, Secretary-Treasurer, Greg Kitchen, Associate Superintendent, Deb Whitten, Associate Superintendent, Katie Hamilton, Manager, Community Engagement and Communications, David Loveridge, Director, Facilities Services

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

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

#### 1. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

It was moved by Trustee Ferris:

That the March 6, 2017 regular agenda be approved with the addition of a Presentation under 5B by David Futter, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, GVTA.

**Motion Carried Unanimously** 

- 2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES None
- 3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES None
- 4. EDUCATION POLICY AND DIRECTIONS COMMITTEE Trustee Whiteaker, Chair
  - A. PRESENTATIONS TO THE COMMITTEE None
  - **B. NEW BUSINESS** 
    - 1. Introduction of Student Representative Rory O'Donnell, SJ Willis Education Centre

Superintendent Langstraat introduced Rory O'Donnell, Student Representative from SJ Willis Education Centre.

#### 2. Annual Report – Aboriginal Education

Nella Nelson, Coordinator Aboriginal Education and Louise Sheffer, Director, Learning Team provided an overview of the annual report of the Aboriginal Nations Education

department. They highlighted the partnerships and initiatives the Department has been a part of over the last year and noted a number of cultural and curricular highlights.

Trustees expressed appreciation for the presentation and both trustees and members of the public asked questions of clarification.

#### 3. Inclusive Learning Conversation

Associate Superintendent Whitten provided Trustees with background information on the District's ongoing inclusive learning conversation.

Discussion ensued and Trustees and members of the public asked questions of clarification.

#### 4. District Programs

Associate Superintendent Whitten provided an overview of the District's plan to restructure the District Low Incidence programs and the District Behaviour Support programs.

Discussion ensued and Trustees and members of the public asked questions of clarification.

#### C. NOTICE OF MOTION - None

#### D. ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Trustee Ferris:

That the meeting adjourn.

**Motion Carried Unanimously** 

#### 5. OPERATIONS POLICY AND PLANNING COMMITTEE - Trustees Watters. Chair

#### A. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

It was moved by Trustee Paynter:

That the February 14, 2017 Operations Policy and Planning Meeting regular minutes be approved.

**Motion Carried Unanimously** 

#### **B. PRESENTATIONS**

#### 1. Colette Baty, President, Vancouver Island School of Art

Ms. Baty presented information on the Vancouver Island School of Art and highlighted the organization's connection to the building which are they are leasing.

#### 2. David Futter, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, GVTA – Day of Mourning

Mr. Futter spoke about the Day of Mourning for workers killed or injured in workplace incidents and asked the District to support the day as it had in the previous year.

Trustees expressed support for the Day of Mourning.

It was moved by Trustee McNally:

That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) support the Day of Mourning, April 28,2017 and communicate its support to all employees.

**Motion Carried Unanimously** 

- C. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT None
- D. PERSONNEL ITEMS None
- E. FINANCE AND LEAGAL AFFAIRS None
- F. FACILITIES PLANNING

#### 1. District Facilities Plan Update

Secretary-Treasurer Walsh highlighted the progress of the District Facilities Plan Committee indicating that work was anticipated to be completed within the anticipated timeline of the Terms of Reference. Trustees asked questions of clarification.

#### 2. Deferred Maintenance Projects

Secretary-Treasurer Walsh and Director of Facilities Loveridge reviewed the deferred maintenance spending projects supported by the Board's increased allocation to Facilities for the 2016-2017 school year and highlighted future maintenance needs.

Trustees expressed appreciation for the information contained in the presentation and asked questions of clarification.

#### 3. School Space Utilization Review

Secretary-Treasurer Walsh and Director of Facilities Loveridge provided an overview of the School Space Utilization Review report. They indicated that the District needed approximately 51 new teaching spaces based on class size language. They also indicated, however, that our schools were able to accommodate most of this increase within currently available space.

They highlighted the anticipated capital costs associated with a return to pre 2002 contract language, and also noted that the total estimated value for secondary schools was not yet available.

They also explained that the current review by Facilities of custodial services was timely given the expansion of space.

Secretary-Treasurer Walsh indicated that administration would not at this point be recommending the reopening of Richmond school. He noted that until the work of the student registration committee was complete, appropriate capital planning would be missing an important input. He also indicated that the limited portable expansion at Willows Elementary and Oaklands Elementary is expected to be sufficient to support the cohorts currently enrolled in the schools. Finally, he indicated that the District did not want to have to seismically upgrade a school while it was active and that Richmond is an important facility for the seismic program.

Discussion ensued and Trustees asked questions of clarification.

#### 4. Shop Funding

Director of Facilities Loveridge presented the shop report and highlighted areas of immediate need for shop health and safety. Associate Superintendent Kitchen reported that he was currently consulting with shop teachers regarding the appropriate programming and equipment needs to support shops.

Secretary-Treasurer Walsh indicated that the District has applied for funds from a number of sources to support shops and expected news in the near future on the status of those requests.

Discussion ensued and Trustees, stakeholder and members of the public asked questions of clarification.

- F. PUBLIC DISCLOSURE OF IN-CAMERA ITEMS None
- G. NEW BUSINESS None
- H. NOTICE OF MOTION None
- I. GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS None
- J. ADJOURNMENT

It was moved Trustee Leonard:

That the meeting adjourn.

**Motion Carried Unanimously** 

The meeting adjourned at 10:20 p.m.



#### OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

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Piet Langstraat, Superintendent
Phone (250) 475-4162
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TO: The Board of Education

FROM: Piet Langstraat, Superintendent of Schools

RE: Superintendent's Report

DATE: March 13, 2017

There are a number of items that the Superintendent wishes to bring to the attention of the Board of Education.

#### **Events and Meetings**

The Superintendent has attended a number of events and met with a number of individuals since the last Board meeting. These have included:

- District Committees
  - o Equity
  - Public Engagement
  - Registration and Transfer
- Additional Meetings and Events
  - Stakeholder Groups Volunteers
  - o BCPSEA Representative Council
  - New Principal Mentorship

#### Field Trips

The Superintendent will provide the Board of Education with an update on field trips.



#### OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

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Piet Langstraat, Superintendent
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TO: The Board of Education

FROM: Piet Langstraat, Superintendent of Schools

RE: One Learning Community Ad Hoc Committee TOR

DATE: March 13, 2017

There are a number of discussions occurring in the District related to the District's belief in the concept of One Learning Community. These include, but are not limited to, such things as:

- Implementation of the Gender Identity and Gender Expression policy
- Inclusive education practises
- Code of Conduct
- Dress Code

It is the opinion of the Superintendent that the District would benefit from a committee where such issues could be discussed and recommendations could be brought to the Board of Education on these and other relevant topics.

Attached, for the consideration of the Board of Education, is a draft Terms of Reference for a One Learning Community committee.

#### Recommended Motion:

That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) approve the terms of reference for the One Learning Community Ad Hoc Committee.

#### **One Learning Community Ad Hoc Committee**

#### Purpose:

The District *One Learning Community Ad Hoc Committee* is an ad hoc committee established by the Board of Education (Bylaw 9140 Ad Hoc Committee of the Board) to review and examine the inclusive learning environment in our District including district policies and regulations that support inclusion.

#### **Deliverables:**

The *One Learning Community Ad Hoc* Committee will examine and make recommendations regarding:

- the appropriate expectations, actions, and behaviours in place to ensure support and inclusion for all students and staff
- inclusive learning opportunities in the physical, social, and academic community

#### Membership:

The committee will be comprised of the following voting members:

- two Trustees appointed by the Board Chair
- Superintendent or designate
- three representatives from the Greater Victoria Teachers' Association Executive
- three VPVPA representatives
- one VCPAC representative
- one CUPE 947 representative

#### Timeline:

Regular updates will be provided to the Education Policy and Directions Committee.

#### Voting:

It is expected that the committee will use a consensus model for decision making. When this is not possible, decisions will be made by majority vote.

#### **Procedural Notes:**

- Anyone may attend and contribute to the discussions without voting privileges
- Meeting dates, locations and minutes will be available on the District website
- A committee chair will be determined a the first meeting

#### **Date Adopted:**



### OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

556 Boleskine Road, Victoria, BC V8Z 1E8 Pieter Langstraat, Superintendent Phone (250) 475-4162 Fax (250) 475-4112

TO: The Board of Education

FROM: Piet Langstraat, Superintendent of Schools

RE: Trustee Questions

DATE: March 13, 2017

During this portion of the Board Meeting, Trustees will have the opportunity to raise questions. Where possible, an immediate response will be provided. In the event that research is necessary before a response is provided, the matter will be postponed until a researched response can be provided.



#### OFFICE OF THE

## SECRETARY-TREASURER

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PHONE (250) 475-4108 FAX (250) 475-4112

TO: The Board of Education

FROM: Mark Walsh, Secretary-Treasurer

DATE: March 13, 2017

RE: Monthly Report

The purpose of this memo is to update the Board on some of the activities of the Secretary Treasurer's office over the past month.

During the past few weeks since the previous Board meeting I had the opportunity to attend the BC Association of School Business Officials Island zone meeting. The meeting had presentation on strategic plan tracking, information from BCPSEA, a presentation by the Ministry of Education Capital section as well as a representative from the finance section.

I have continued to visit schools to discuss facilities matters including discussions regarding daycare. I have also provided media information regarding our facility's needs.

Further, I will provide the Board of Education an update on ongoing discussions regarding the organization of the Facilities Department.