



The Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria)
December 17, 2018 Regular Board Meeting - Tolmie Boardroom, 556 Boleskine Road

MINUTES

Present:

Trustees, Jordan Watters, Chair, Diane McNally, Vice-Chair, Nicole Duncan, Tom Ferris, Angie Hentze, Elaine Leonard, Ryan Painter, Rob Paynter, and Ann Whiteaker,

Administration:

Shelley Green, Superintendent of Schools, Mark Walsh, Secretary-Treasurer, Katrina Stride, Associate Secretary-Treasurer, Greg Kitchen, Associate Superintendent, Colin Roberts, Associate Superintendent, Lisa McPhail, Communications Officer and Vicki Hanley, Recording Secretary

The meeting was called to order at 7:43 p.m.

Chair Watters 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 Whiteaker and seconded:

That the December 17, 2018 Agenda be approved with the following addition:

A6. Community Presentations

c) Jed Hyde, SD61 Parent, Inclusive Learning

Motion Carried Unanimously

A2. Approval of the Minutes

a) It was moved by Trustee Leonard and seconded:

That the November 26, 2018 Regular Board Minutes be approved.

Motion Carried Unanimously

A3. Business arising from the Minutes - None

A4. Student Achievement - None

A5. District Presentations - None

A6. Community Presentations

- a) Dean Fortin, Director of Development at Pacifica Housing, attended the Board meeting to speak to Trustees about the affordable housing project on site at the Burnside Education Centre which will include before and after school care.
- b) Audrey Smith, Spectrum Community School PAC President, attended the Board meeting to urge Trustees to vote in favour of a feasibility study for an all-weather field at Spectrum Community School.
- c) Jed Hyde, a parent of a SD61 student, attended the meeting to speak to Trustees about inclusive learning and how it relates to his son with special needs.

B. CORRESPONDENCE - None**C. TRUSTEE REPORTS****C1. Chair's Report**

Chair Watters provided a written report and highlighted some of her activities and meetings over the past month.

C2. Trustees' Reports

- a) Trustee McNally provided a written report on some of her meetings and activities over the past month.

C3. Trustee Representative Reports

- a) Trustee Duncan provided highlights from the BCSTA Trustee Academy and Provincial Council meeting last month.

D. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS**D1. Education Policy and Directions Committee**

- a) The minutes from the December 3, 2018 meeting were received for information.
- b) Chair Duncan referred to the Education Policy and Directions Committee meeting minutes and presented the following recommended motion. Discussion ensued amongst the Trustees.

It was moved by Trustee Duncan and seconded:

- i)

That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) direct the Board Chair to write a letter to the Minister of Education requesting a timeline on when the Minister will add ADHD as a stand-alone designation in special education in order to streamline receiving accommodations and IEPs.

Motion Carried

For: Trustees Duncan, Hentze, McNally, Painter and Paynter
Against: Trustees Ferris, Leonard and Whiteaker
Abstain: Trustee Watters

D2. Operations Policy and Planning Committee

- a) The minutes from the December 10, 2018 meeting were received for information.
- b) Chair Paynter referred to the Operations Policy and Planning Committee meeting minutes and presented the following recommended motion.

It was moved by Trustee Paynter and seconded:

That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) approve #2 and #3 of the recommended motions from the December 10, 2018 Operations Policy and Planning Committee meeting.

Motion Carried Unanimously

Chair Paynter referred to the meeting minutes and presented the following recommended motion.

- i) That the Board of Education of School District No.61 (Greater Victoria) approve a feasibility study for an all-weather turf field and “pop-up” ice rink at the Spectrum Community School site by the school’s STAR Committee at no cost to the Board.

Discussion ensued amongst the Trustees with a recommendation being made to amend the motion.

It was moved by Trustee Leonard and seconded:

- i) That the motion “*That the Board of Education of School District No.61 (Greater Victoria) approve a feasibility study for an all-weather turf field and “pop-up” ice-rink at the Spectrum Community School site by the school’s STAR Committee at no cost to the Board*” be postponed until the March 4, 2019 Operations Policy and Planning Committee meeting, after the Municipality of Saanich has conducted their feasibility study.

Motion Defeated

For: Trustees Leonard, Ferris and Duncan

Against: Trustees Painter, Whiteaker, Paynter, Duncan, Hentze,

Abstain: Trustee Watters

Further discussion ensued amongst the Trustees with a recommendation being made to amend the motion.

It was moved by Trustee Ferris and seconded:

- i) That the motion “*That the Board of Education of School District No.61 (Greater Victoria) approve a feasibility study for an all-weather turf field and “pop-up” ice-rink at the Spectrum Community School site by the school’s STAR Committee at no cost to the Board*” be amended to strike the words “*and pop-up ice-rink.*”

Motion Defeated

For: Trustees Ferris, Leonard, Duncan

Against: Trustees Painter, Whiteaker, Paynter, Hentze, and McNally

Abstain: Trustee Watters

Chair Watters called for the vote on the original main motion.

- i) That the Board of Education of School District No.61 (Greater Victoria) approve a feasibility study for an all-weather turf field and “pop-up” ice rink at the Spectrum Community School site by the school’s STAR Committee at no cost to the Board.

Motion Carried

For: Trustees Duncan, Hentze, Watters, McNally, Painter, Paynter and Whiteaker

Against: Trustees Ferris and Leonard

It was moved by Trustee Paynter and seconded:

- ii) That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) approve the revised theatre rental rates.

Motion Carried Unanimously

It was moved by Trustee Paynter and seconded:

- iii) That the Board of Education of School District No.61 (Greater Victoria) direct the Superintendent to engage with appropriate partners to create a draft Memorandum of Understanding for the Esquimalt High Turf Field that may be included in a joint grant application submission for funds for the project and that a final agreement be brought back to the Board for approval following the success of the funding application.

Motion Carried Unanimously

E. DISTRICT LEADERSHIP TEAM REPORTS

E1. Superintendent's Report

- a) Superintendent Green presented her monthly report.

It was moved by Trustee Painter 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) Promotional Materials in Schools

Superintendent Green referred Trustees to the information contained within their agendas and provided further context to the recommended motion. Discussion ensued amongst the Trustees with questions of clarification being asked of Superintendent Green.

It was moved by Trustee Whiteaker and seconded:

That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) task the One Learning Community Ad Hoc Committee to review relevant Board policy, regulations and procedures, recommend appropriate changes, if any, and create a procedure for the Administrative Procedures Manual that will provide guidance on promotional materials within schools.

Motion Carried Unanimously

- c) Trustee Questions

Superintendent Green responded to trustee questions regarding school liaison officers, the data tracking of students who withdraw from our school district and codes of conduct.

E2. Secretary-Treasurer's Report

- a) Secretary-Treasurer Walsh presented his monthly report.

It was moved by Trustee Painter 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

F. QUESTION PERIOD - None

G. PUBLIC DISCLOSURE OF IN-CAMERA ITEMS - None

H. NEW BUSINESS/NOTICE OF MOTIONS

H1. New Business

a) Trustee Painter – Trustee Representative – Cost Effective Prevention Interventions

Trustee Painter presented his motion and provided a rationale. Discussion ensued amongst the Trustees and ended with Trustee Painter withdrawing his motion.

It was moved by Trustee Painter and seconded:

That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) direct the Chair to appoint a school trustee representative to the Committee to Promote Cost-effective Prevention Interventions.

Motion Withdrawn

H2. Notice of Motions - None

I. ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Trustee Whiteaker and seconded:

That the meeting be adjourned.

Motion Carried Unanimously

The meeting adjourned at 9:04 p.m.

CERTIFIED CORRECT

Chair

Secretary-Treasurer