

The Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) February 25, 2019 Regular Board Meeting - Tolmie Boardroom, 556 Boleskine Road

MINUTES

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

Administration:

Shelley Green, Superintendent of Schools, Mark Walsh, Secretary-Treasurer, Deb Whitten, Deputy Superintendent, Greg Kitchen, Associate Superintendent, Colin Roberts, Associate Superintendent, Katrina Stride, Associate Secretary-Treasurer, Julie Lutner, Director of Finance, Budgets & Financial Reporting, Lisa McPhail, Communications Officer and Vicki Hanley, Recording Secretary

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 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.

Introductions were made around the Board table.

A. COMMENCEMENT OF THE MEETING

A1. Approval of the Agenda

It was moved by Trustee McNally and seconded:

That the February 25, 2019 Agenda be approved with the following addition:

C2. Trustee Reports

c) Trustee McNally

Motion Carried Unanimously

It was moved by Trustee McNally and seconded:

That the February 25, 2019 Agenda be approved with the following addition:

D1. Education Policy and Directions Committee

c) Trustee McNally – Victor School Motion

"That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) direct the Superintendent to retain the current spaces and current staffing ratios at Victor School for the use of the students currently enrolled in the Victor School education program; that the program be open to new student intake, and that the program remain in place and operational as an ongoing placement option, as per Policy 5148 - Alternatives to the Integrated Classroom; and that any proposal change and related planning in regard to the program operation or the program physical situation be made only after adherences to Policy 1163 - Consultation, and only with the informed approval of the Board."

Chair Watters ruled the motion out of order and stated that it contradicts a motion that has already come through a committee meeting and is on the agenda, D2. b) vi) and this motion has previously been defeated at a committee meeting.

Trustee McNally challenged Chair Watters ruling.

That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) sustain the ruling of Chair Watters in that the following motion is out of order, "*That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) direct the Superintendent to retain the current spaces and current staffing ratios at Victor School for the use of the students currently enrolled in the Victor School education program; that the program be open to new student intake, and that the program remain in place and operational as an ongoing placement option, as per Policy 5148 - Alternatives to the Integrated Classroom; and that any proposal change and related planning in regard to the program operation or the program physical situation be made only after adherences to Policy 1163 - Consultation, and only with the informed approval of the Board."*

Motion Carried

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

It was moved by Trustee Paynter and seconded:

That the February 25, 2019 Agenda be approved with two additional speakers to A6. Community Presentations.

g) Marcus Pollard, SD61 Parent, Victor School – Boundary Review h) Cathy Nash, SD61 Parent, Victor School – Boundary Review

Motion Carried

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

It was moved by Trustee Whiteaker and seconded:

That the February 25, 2019 Agenda be approved with the following change:

Move H1. New Business a) Trustee Watters - Motion to D1.

Motion Defeated

For: Trustees Whiteaker,

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

That the February 25, 2019 Agenda be approved as amended. Motion Carried Unanimously

A2. Approval of the Minutes

a) It was moved by Trustee Ferris and seconded: That the January 28, 2019 Regular Board Minutes be approved. Motion Carried Unanimously

A3. Business arising from the Minutes - None

A4. Student Achievement

a) Renee Pick, Principal and Sarah Winkler, Vice-Principal from View Royal Elementary School attended the board meeting and made a presentation for Trustees entitled "The Teacher Learning Connection."

Chair Watters thanked Ms. Pick and Ms. Winkler for attending the board meeting and presenting to Trustees.

A5. District Presentations - None

A6. Community Presentations

- a) Allison Bottomley, a South Park Family School parent, attended the Board meeting to speak in favour of retaining South Park as a school of choice.
- b) Kristil Hammer, a South Park Family School parent, attended the Board meeting to speak in favour of retaining South Park as a school of choice.
- c) Yvonne Bloomer, a Arbutus Global Middle School parent, attended the Board meeting to speak about low-incidence programming at Arbutus.
- d) Mandy Greyling Holmwood, a Tillicum Elementary School parent, attended the Board meeting to speak about the catchment boundary review.
- e) Christine Payne, a Arbutus Global Middle School parent, attended the Board meeting to speak to Trustees about the low-incident program at Arbutus.
- f) Amanda Tarling, a Victor School parent, attended the Board meeting to speak about removing Victor School from the boundary review process.
- g) Marcus Pollard, a Victor School parent, attended the Board meeting to speak about the future of Victor School and removing it from the boundary review process.
- Cathy Nash, a Victor School parent, attended the Board meeting to speak about Victor school and urging Trustees to remove the school from the boundary review process.

B. CORRESPONDENCE

B1. Letter from the Minister of Education re Employer Health Tax

A letter from the Minister of Education was received for information purposes.

C. TRUSTEE REPORTS

C1. Chair's Report

- a) Chair Watters referred Trustees to her written report within the agenda package and highlighted a few of her activities over the past month.
- b) The 2019 VISTA Spring Conference agenda was provided for information purposes.

C2. Trustees' Reports

- a) Trustee Duncan provided Trustees with a written update with respect to her role as the BCSTA representative.
- b) Trustee Whiteaker provided a written report that highlighted her activities and meetings over the past month.
- c) Trustee McNally provided a verbal report with respect to her activities and meetings over the past month.

D. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

D1. Education Policy and Directions Committee

- a) The minutes from the February 4, 2019 meeting were received for information.
- b) Trustee Duncan referred to the Education Policy and Directions Committee meeting minutes and presented the following recommended motions.
 - i) That the Board of Education of School District No.61 (Greater Victoria) direct the Superintendent to provide a report to Ed Policy and Directions Committee at the next meeting on March 4th, 2019, that clarifies; a) which district programs have been closed; b) which are still open; c) the 2019-2020 future of any district program still open; d) if a program has been described as "repurposed," the meaning of "repurposed" for any district program that has been described as "repurposed": e) the District response to parents from the Arbutus program or any other program who have requested, in public or otherwise, that it remain open; f) an update on shifts in high school special support blocks, for example, Spectrum has decreased from 3/4 blocks to 2/4 blocks; g) a statement on the future of Challenge programs.

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

It was moved by Trustee Painter and seconded:

i) That the motion "That the Board of Education of School District No.61 (Greater Victoria) direct the Superintendent to provide a report to Ed Policy and Directions Committee at the next meeting on March 4th, 2019, that clarifies; a) which district programs have been closed; b) which are still open; c) the 2019-2020 future of any district program still open; d) if a program has been described as "repurposed," the meaning of "repurposed" for any district program that has been described as "repurposed": e) the District response to parents from the Arbutus program or any other program who have requested, in public or otherwise, that it remain open; f) an update on shifts in high school special support blocks, for example, Spectrum has decreased from 3/4 blocks to 2/4 blocks; g) a statement on the future of Challenge programs" be amended to change the date to the June 3, 2019.

Motion Carried

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

Chair Watters called for the vote on the main motion as amended.

i) That the Board of Education of School District No.61 (Greater Victoria) direct the Superintendent to provide a report to Ed Policy and Directions Committee at the next meeting on June 3, 2019, that clarifies; a) which district programs have been closed; b) which are still open; c) the 2019-2020 future of any district program still open; d) if a program has been described as "repurposed," the meaning of "repurposed" for any district program that has been described as "repurposed": e) the District response to parents from the Arbutus program or any other program who have requested, in public or otherwise, that it remain open; f) an update on shifts in high school special support blocks, for example, Spectrum has decreased from 3/4 blocks to 2/4 blocks; g) a statement on the future of Challenge programs.

Motion Carried

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

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

ii) That the Board of Education of School District No.61 (Greater Victoria) direct the Superintendent to hire an independent auditor to review district privacy practices effecting students, staff and student learning, and to provide recommendations to the Board of Education.

Trustee Duncan moved an amendment to her original motion that carried at the Committee meeting. Discussion ensued amongst the Trustees with a questions of clarification being asked of Secretary-Treasurer Walsh.

It was moved by Trustee Duncan and seconded:

 ii) That the motion "That the Board of Education of School District No.61 (Greater Victoria) direct the Superintendent to hire an independent auditor to review district privacy practices effecting students, staff and student learning, and to provide recommendations to the Board of Education" be amended to read as follows "That the Board of Education of School District No.61 (Greater Victoria) direct the Superintendent to hire an independent auditor, through a competitive process with Board approval, to review district privacy practices effecting students, staff and student learning, and to provide recommendations to the Board of Education. A draft audit engagement letter which sets out in full the objective and scope of the independent audit shall be brought to the Education Policy and Directions Standing Committee."

Motion Carried

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

Against: Trustee Leonard

Chair Watters called for the vote on the main motion as amended.

ii) That the Board of Education of School District No.61 (Greater Victoria) direct the Superintendent to hire an independent auditor, through a competitive process with Board approval, to review district privacy practices effecting students, staff and student learning, and to provide recommendations to the Board of Education. A draft audit engagement letter which sets out in full the objective and scope of the independent audit

shall be brought to the Education Policy and Directions Standing Committee.

Motion Carried

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

Abstain: Trustee Leonard

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

iii) That the Board of Education of School District No.61 (Greater Victoria) direct the Superintendent to maintain the program at Arbutus Global Middle School that serves students with "low incidence" designations, with current staffing levels and in the current classroom space, and that it not be closed except by Board vote preceded by full stakeholder consultation.

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

It was moved by Trustee McNally and seconded:

iii) That the motion "That the Board of Education of School District No.61 (Greater Victoria) direct the Superintendent to maintain the program at Arbutus Global Middle School that serves students with "low incidence" designations, with current staffing levels and in the current classroom space, and that it not be closed except by Board vote preceded by full stakeholder consultation" be amended to strike the words "and that it not be closed except by Board vote preceded by full stakeholder consultation" and replace with the "with ongoing district funding to support a district program of up to 10 students."

Motion Defeated

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

Chair Watters called for the vote on the main motion.

iii) That the Board of Education of School District No.61 (Greater Victoria) direct the Superintendent to maintain the program at Arbutus Global Middle School that serves students with "low incidence" designations, with current staffing levels and in the current classroom space, and that it not be closed except by Board vote preceded by full stakeholder consultation.

Motion Defeated

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

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

iv) That the Board of Education of School District No.61 (Greater Victoria) direct the Superintendent to explore, through consultation with parents, a workable solution to the issue of moving Late French Immersion from Central Middle School.

Motion Carried Unanimously

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

v) That the Board of Education of School District No.61 (Greater Victoria) direct the Superintendent to establish and document a process for undertaking a review of Late French Immersion programming that takes into account the current Ministry of Education policy on French Immersion programs and that includes a consultation process which involves relevant stakeholders prior to implementing a change to the program, in line with Policy 1163 - Consultation.

Discussion ensued amongst the Trustees with a suggestion being made to refer the motion.

It was moved by Trustee Leonard and seconded:

 v) That the motion "That the Board of Education of School District No.61 (Greater Victoria) direct the Superintendent to establish and document a process for undertaking a review of Late French Immersion programming that takes into account the current Ministry of Education policy on French Immersion programs and that includes a consultation process which involves relevant stakeholders prior to implementing a change to the program, in line with Policy 1163 – Consultation" be referred to the May 6, 2019 Education Policy and Directions Committee meeting.

Motion Carried

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

D2. Operations Policy and Planning Committee

- a) The minutes from the February 19, 2019 meeting were received for information.
- b) Trustee Paynter referred to the Operations Policy and Planning Committee meeting minutes and presented the following recommended motions.

It was moved by Trustee Painter and seconded:

That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) approve recommended motions #1, #4, #5, #7 and #9 from the February 19, 2019 Operations Policy and Planning Committee meeting. Motion Carried Unanimously

i) That the Board of Education of School District No.61 (Greater Victoria) approve the posting of the following 2019/2020 school calendar on the School District's website for a period of one month:
2019/2020 School Calendar*
School Opening September 3, 2019
First non-instructional day

	September 5, 2019
First non-instructional day	September 23, 2019
Thanksgiving	October 14, 2019
Second non-instructional day	October 25, 2019
(Province wide)	
Remembrance Day	November 11, 2019
Third non-instructional day	November 22, 2019
Schools close for Winter vacation	December 20, 2019
Schools re-open after Winter vacation	January 6, 2020
Fourth non-instructional day	February 14, 2020

Family Day	February 17, 2020	
Schools close for Spring vacation	March 13, 2020	
Schools re-open after Spring vacation	March 30, 2020	
Good Friday	April 10, 2020	
Easter Monday	April 13, 2020	
Fifth non-instructional day	May 15, 2020	
Victoria Day	May 18, 2020	
Administrative Day and School Closing	June 26, 2020	
*Sixth non-instructional day to be chosen by each school		
Motion Carried Unanimously		
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Chair Watters referred to the meeting minutes and presented the following recommended motion.

ii) That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) agree to give all three readings of the 2018/2019 Amended Annual Budget Bylaw at the meeting of February 25, 2019.
Motion Carried Unanimously

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

 iii) That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) Amended Annual Budget Bylaw for fiscal year 2018/2019 in the amount of \$253,958,589 be:

Read a first time the 25th day of February, 2019; Read a second time the 25th day of February, 2019; Read a third time, passed and adopted the 25th day of February, 2019;

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

iv) That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) approve the new Policy 6163.7 *Classroom Pets* and accept the new Regulation 6163.7 *Classroom Pets*.

Motion Carried Unanimously

 v) That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) approve revised Policy 1421 Naming School Sites and accept revised Regulation 1421 Naming School Sites as reviewed.
Motion Carried Unanimously

Chair Watters referred to the minutes and presented the following recommended motion.

vi) That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) direct the Superintendent to include alternatives for the Victor School catchment in the revisions and phase three of the boundary review consultation including consultation with the Victor School community.

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

It was moved by Trustee Painter and seconded:

vi) That the motion "*That the Board of Education of School District No. 61* (*Greater Victoria*) direct the Superintendent to include alternatives for the Victor School catchment in the revisions and phase three of the boundary review consultation including consultation with the Victor School community" be amended to strike the words "*include*" and replace with "remove Victor School from consideration as a catchment school and develop."

Further discussion ensued amongst the Trustees with a suggestion being made to amend the amendment.

It was moved by Trustee McNally and seconded:

vi) That the motion "That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) direct the Superintendent to include alternatives for the Victor School catchment in the revisions and phase three of the boundary review consultation including consultation with the Victor School community" be amended to strike the words "in the revisions and phase three of the boundary review consultation including consultation with the Victor School community' and replace with "and inform the Victor School Community in writing that Victor school is no longer being considered for any changes as far as the catchment boundary review process, and that changes to Victor School are no longer proposed or recommended for September 2020."

Motion Defeated

For: Trustees McNally, Painter and Paynter

Against: Trustees Leonard, Ferris, Whiteaker, Hentze, Duncan and Watters

Further discussion ensued amongst the Trustees with a suggestion being made to amend the amendment.

It was moved by Trustee Whiteaker and seconded:

vi) That the motion "That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) direct the Superintendent to include alternatives for the Victor School catchment in the revisions and phase three of the boundary review consultation including consultation with the Victor School community" be amended to strike the words "include alternatives for the Victor School catchment in the revisions and phase three of the boundary review consultation including consultation with the Victor School community" and replace with "to create new alternatives for the Victor School catchment area within the revisions and phase three of the boundary review document following consultation which includes the Victor School community."

Motion Carried

For: Trustees Whiteaker, Leonard, Hentze, Watters, Ferris, Duncan, McNally and Watters

Against: Trustees Painter and Paynter

Further discussion ensued amongst the Trustees with a suggestion being made to amend the amendment.

It was moved by Trustee McNally and seconded:

vi) That the amended motion "That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) direct the Superintendent to create new

alternatives for the Victor School catchment area within the revisions and phase three of the boundary review document following consultation which includes the Victor School community" be amended to add the words "and that Victor School be removed from consideration as a catchment school."

Further discussion ensued amongst the Trustees with a suggestion being made to amend the amendment.

It was moved by Trustee Whiteaker and seconded:

vi) That the amended motion "That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) direct the Superintendent to create new alternatives for the Victor School catchment area within the revisions and phase three of the boundary review document following consultation which includes the Victor School community" be amended to add the words "and that Victor School be removed from consideration as a catchment school within the current boundary review."

Motion Defeated

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

Chair Watters called for the vote on the recommended amended motion made by Trustee McNally.

vi) That the amended motion "That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) direct the Superintendent to create new alternatives for the Victor School catchment area within the revisions and phase three of the boundary review document following consultation which includes the Victor School community" be amended to add the words "and that Victor School be removed from consideration as a catchment school."

Motion Carried

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

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

It was moved by Trustee Leonard and seconded:

vi) That the amended motion "That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) direct the Superintendent to create alternatives for the Victor School catchment area within the revisions and phase three of the boundary review document following consultation which includes the Victor School community" by striking the words "following consultation which includes the Victor School community."

Motion Carried Unanimously

Chair Watters called for the vote on the main motion as amended.

vi) That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) direct the Superintendent to create new alternatives for the Victor School

catchment area within the revisions and phase three of the boundary review document and that Victor School be removed from consideration as a catchment school.

Motion Carried Unanimously

vii) That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) direct the Policy Sub-Committee to bring forward a policy outlining the process, criteria and timelines for the Superintendent and Board evaluations.

Motion Carried Unanimously

Chair Watters referred to the meeting minutes and the following recommended motion.

viii) That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) direct the Superintendent to identify options for updating the Strategic Plan including costs, timelines and processes, and present this preliminary information and recommendations to the Board in May 2019.

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

It was moved by Trustee Whiteaker and seconded:

viii) That the motion "That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) direct the Superintendent to identify options for updating the Strategic Plan including costs, timelines and processes, and present this preliminary information and recommendations to the Board in May 2019" be amended to add the words "work with the Strategic Plan Committee to" after the word "Superintendent."

Further discussion ensued amongst the Trustees with a suggestion being made to amend the amendment.

It was moved by Trustee Paynter and seconded:

viii) That the motion "That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) direct the Superintendent to identify options for updating the Strategic Plan including costs, timelines and processes, and present this preliminary information and recommendations to the Board in May 2019" be amended to strike the word "Board" and replace with "Education Policy and Directions Committee."

Motion Carried Unanimously

Chair Watters called for the vote on the amended motion made by Trustee Whiteaker.

viii) That the motion "That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) direct the Superintendent to identify options for updating the Strategic Plan including costs, timelines and processes, and present this preliminary information and recommendations to the Board in May 2019" be amended to add the words "work with the Strategic Plan Committee to" after the word "Superintendent."

Motion Carried Unanimously

Chair Watters called for the vote on the main motion as amended.

viii) That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) direct the Superintendent to work with the Strategic Plan Committee to identify options for updating the Strategic Plan including costs, timelines and processes, and present this preliminary information and recommendations to the Education Policy and Directions Committee in May 2019.

Motion Carried Unanimously

ix) That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) allow the programming at Burnside to be called SJ Burnside. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

Chair Watters referred to the meeting minutes and presented the following recommended motion. Discussion ensued amongst the Trustees.

x) That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) approve Lambrick Park Secondary School to conduct a feasibility study and to reach out to potential partners for the Lambrick Park Fieldhouse Project at no cost to the District.

Motion Carried

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

E. DISTRICT LEADERSHIP TEAM REPORTS

E1. Superintendent's Report

a) Superintendent Green presented her monthly report.

It was moved by Trustee Ferris 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) Trustee Questions

Superintendent Green and Secretary-Treasurer Walsh responded to Trustee questions regarding seismic upgrades at Braefoot Elementary School and a facilities update with respect to inclusive learning spaces.

E2. Secretary-Treasurer's Report

a) Secretary-Treasurer Walsh presented his month 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

F. QUESTION PERIOD

Secretary-Treasurer Walsh and Chair Watters provided answers to the following questions.

- 1. Can the Board clarify if French Immersion part of the catchment boundary review? If no, why did the November survey include questions regarding F.I.?
- 2. Are there enrolment predictions for the new proposed catchment of the South Park Family School and Cloverdale Traditional School?
- 3. Why have the elementary schools of choice been assigned a lessor value than other programs of choice? Why are they eliminated from the initial consultation process?
- 4. Explain how eliminating the traditional model of education at Cloverdale Traditional School is not a significant realignment of that program at that school?
- 5. How and who is determining the value prescribed to the different programs of choice, elementary schools of choice and what are the criteria being used in this evaluation?
- 6. Are you aware of any intentions to sell or lease any of the lands that SD61 owns?

G. PUBLIC DISCLOSURE OF IN-CAMERA ITEMS – None

Vice – Chair Whiteaker assumed the role of the Chair position in place of Chair Watters.

H. NEW BUSINESS/NOTICE OF MOTIONS

H1. New Business

a) Trustee Watters – Arbutus Global Middle School – Low Incidence Program

Trustee Watters presented her motion and provided a rationale.

It was moved by Trustee Watters and seconded:

That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) direct the Superintendent to develop an interim plan in consultation with Arbutus Global Middle School staff, parents and students to enable a cohort of 8-10 students, in or out of catchment, with a designation of low incidence to continue to access programming at Arbutus for the 2019-2020 school year.

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

It was moved by Trustee McNally and seconded:

That the motion "That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) direct the Superintendent to develop an interim plan in consultation with Arbutus Global Middle School staff, parents and students to enable a cohort of 8-10 students, in or out of catchment, with a designation of low incidence to continue to access programming at Arbutus for the 2019-2020 school year" be amended to add the words "and that the transfer opportunity be publicized to parents."

Motion Carried Unanimously

Vice-Chair Whiteaker called for the vote on the main motion as amended.

That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) direct the Superintendent to develop an interim plan in consultation with Arbutus Global Middle School staff, parents and students to enable a cohort of 8-10 students, in or out of catchment, with a designation of low incidence to continue to access programming at Arbutus for the 2019-2020 school year and that the transfer opportunity be publicized to parents. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

H2. Notice of Motions - None

I. ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Trustee Painter and seconded:

That the meeting be adjourned.

Motion Carried

The meeting adjourned at 10:53 p.m.

CERTIFIED CORRECT

Chair

Secretary-Treasurer