



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

MINUTES

October 26, 2020, 7:30 p.m.

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

Trustee Regrets: Rob Paynter

Administration: Shelley Green, Superintendent of Schools, Kim Morris, Secretary-Treasurer, Deb Whitten, Deputy Superintendent, Colin Roberts, Associate Superintendent, Harold Caldwell, Associate Superintendent, Katrina Stride, Associate Secretary-Treasurer, Andy Canty, Director, Information Technology for Learning, Shelly Niemi, District Principal, Indigenous Education, Lisa McPhail, Communications and Community Engagement Manager , Vicki Hanley, Recorder

A. COMMENCEMENT OF MEETING

The meeting was called to order 7:34 p.m.

A.1 Acknowledgement of Traditional Territories

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

A.2 Approval of the Agenda

Chair Watters provided the email address for agenda item F. Question Period.

Moved by Trustee Whiteaker
Seconded by Trustee Painter

That the October 26, 2020 agenda be approved with the following additions:

B.6 August 26, 2020, Victoria High School Alumni Association to SD61, Letter of Support

G.2 Student Unusual Exclusion Report Motion

Motion Carried Unanimously

A.3 Approval of the Minutes

Moved by Trustee Ferris
Seconded by Trustee Leonard

That the September 28, 2020 Regular Board minutes be approved.

Motion Carried Unanimously

A.4 Business Arising from the Minutes

None

A.5 Student Achievement

None

A.6 District Presentations

None

A.7 Community Presentations

None

B. CORRESPONDENCE

B.1 September 24, 2020, SD69 to Minister of Education, Cancellation of FSA 2020-2021

B.2 October 1, 2020, CUPE 947 to SD61, Support for a Safe Return to School

B.3 October 1, 2020, SD72 to Public Sector Employers' Council Secretariat, Compensation Freeze Policy

- B.4 October 1, 2020, Volleyball BC to SD61, Support for Sand Courts at Vic High**
- B.5 October 16, 2020, SD61 Staff to CUPE 947, Support for a Safe Return to School**
- B.6 August 27, 2020, Victoria High School Alumni Association to SD61, Letter of Support**

C. TRUSTEE REPORTS

C.1 Chair's Report

a. Chair Report

Chair Watters presented the report and highlighted her participation in Nanaimo School District's Indigenous Learning Series as part of professional development.

b. Annual Workplan: November 2020

Chair Watters referred to the Board Workplan and highlighted November.

c. Trustee Committee Assignments

Chair Watters referred Trustees to the current committee assignments and the newest committees that have recently been formed and reminded Trustees that there may be changes after Trustee elections at the November Board meeting.

d. BCSTA - Trustee Rights & Responsibilities Resource Guide

A resource guide produced by a BCSTA working group which covers Trustee Rights and Responsibilities was provided for information.

C.2 Trustees' Reports

None

D. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

D.1 Education Policy and Directions Committee

Chair Duncan advised that there was nothing to report from the October 5, 2020 Education Policy and Directions meeting as quorum was not met.

D.2 Operations Policy and Planning Committee

- a. Draft minutes from the October 19, 2020 meeting
The draft minutes from the October 19, 2020 Operations Policy and Planning Committee meeting were presented for information.
- b. Reports
 - a. Sundance/Bank Street Update
A report updating Trustees on Sundance and Bank Street Schools was provided for information.
 - b. Occupational Health and Safety Annual Report
The annual Occupational Health and Safety Report was provided to Trustees for information.
- c. Recommended motions from the October 19, 2020 meeting.
That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) approve the recommended motions from the October 19, 2020 Operations Policy and Planning Committee meeting.

Motion Carried Unanimously

- a. Spectrum Artificial Turf Field Project
That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) support in principle for a period of up to two years, the proposed artificial turf field project at Spectrum Community School, at no cost to the Board; AND FURTHER THAT
Staff be directed to update the Board once funding has been secured by the STAR Committee.

Motion Carried Unanimously

- b. Policy Sub Committee Report
That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) abandon Policies 5141.3, 5143, 5210, 6112.1, 6120.2, 6121, 6130.1, 6135.1, 6141.4, and 6142.01; AND FURTHER THAT

The Board refer Policies 5141.3 and 5143 to the Superintendent for administration manual consideration.

Motion Carried Unanimously

c. Dissolution of Committees

Pursuant to Bylaw 9140, that the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) dissolve the Public Engagement Ad Hoc Committee and the Student Registration and Transfer Committee.

Motion Carried Unanimously

Associate Director of Human Resource Services Jensen exited the meeting at 7:54 p.m.

D.3 Advocacy Ad Hoc Committee

a. Committee Report and Terms of Reference

Trustee Whiteaker referred Trustees to the memo and Terms of Reference.

Moved by Trustee Ferris

Seconded by Trustee Painter

That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) accept the revised Advocacy Ad Hoc Committee Terms of Reference as presented.

Motion Carried Unanimously

E. DISTRICT LEADERSHIP TEAM REPORTS

E.1 Superintendent's Report

a. Monthly Report

Superintendent Green presented the report and highlighted a few items such as the October 23, 2020 Professional Development event that involved 720 attendees.

Moved by Trustee Ferris
Seconded by Trustee Painter

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

Motion Carried Unanimously

- b. BCSTA Legal Bulletin - Enhancing Student Learning Reporting Order

Superintendent Green referred to a bulletin from the BCSTA with regards to an order made by the Ministry of Education on September 1, 2020. Superintendent Green explained the Enhancing Student Learning Reporting Order and answered questions of clarification from Trustees.

- c. Trustee Questions

Trustee Duncan requested an update with respect to HVAC systems in the District. Superintendent Green advised that an update would come from the Director of Facilities Services at the November 9, 2020 Operations Policy and Planning Committee meeting.

Superintendent Green responded to questions with respect to District policies and procedures as it relates to schools calling emergency services and the Administrative Procedures Manual.

E.2 Secretary-Treasurer's Report

- a. Monthly Report

Secretary-Treasurer Morris presented the report and answered a question of clarification.

Moved by Trustee Leonard
Seconded by Trustee Duncan

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

Motion Carried Unanimously

b. 2020-2021 Enrolment and Capacity Update

Secretary-Treasurer Morris provided Trustees with the 2020-2021 enrolment and capacity data update and answered questions from Trustees.

c. Victoria High School - Surveillance Cameras

Secretary-Treasurer Morris provided Trustees with information pertaining to ongoing issues at the Victoria High School seismic upgrade construction project and the need for surveillance cameras to curtail issues of vandalism. Secretary-Treasurer Morris advised Trustees the approximate cost of surveillance cameras for the length of the project and fulfillment of Policy 3517.3, *Security -Video Surveillance at School Sites*, which includes public consultation. Secretary-Treasurer Morris advised that consultation was underway and approval will be sought at the November 23, 2020 Board meeting. Discussion ensued amongst the Trustees with questions of clarification being asked of Secretary-Treasurer Morris.

F. QUESTION PERIOD

Q: I volunteer at Lambrick Park and Esquimalt with scoring at basketball games and special needs classes. Can you advise when after school activities will commence in schools and when volunteers can return to schools?

A: The District is currently following the COVID-19 guidelines as set out by the Provincial Health Officer and the Ministry of Education and when the District is given the go ahead to allow for community sports and volunteers to enter District buildings, these activities will once again resume.

G. PUBLIC DISCLOSURE OF IN-CAMERA ITEMS

G.1 Record of In-Camera Board Meeting - September 28, 2020

G.2 Student Unusual Exclusion Report

That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) direct the Superintendent to suspend the reporting of the Student Unusual Exclusion Report until the District moves into Stage One of the Restart Plan.

H. NEW BUSINESS/NOTICE OF MOTIONS

H.1 New Business

None

H.2 Notice of Motions

None

I. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Moved by Trustee Painter

Seconded by Trustee Ferris

That the meeting be adjourned.

Motion Carried Unanimously

Chair

Secretary-Treasurer