



**The Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria)
Education Policy and Directions Committee
REGULAR MINUTES**

Monday, November 1, 2021, 7:00 p.m.

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Trustees Present: Education Policy and Directions Committee members:
Tom Ferris, Chair, Ryan Painter, Jordan Watters

Operations Policy and Planning Committee members:
Angie Hentze, Rob Paynter

Administration: Deb Whitten, Interim Superintendent of Schools, Kim Morris, Secretary-Treasurer, Colin Roberts, Interim Deputy Superintendent, Harold Caldwell, Associate Superintendent, Andy Canty, Director, Information Technology for Learning, Kelly Gorman, Recorder

Stakeholders: Angela Carmichael, President, VCPAC, Connor McCoy, President, GVPVPA, Jane Massy, President, CUPE 947, Lena Palmero, Pro D Committee Chair, GVTA

A. COMMENCEMENT OF MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m.

A.1. Acknowledgement of Traditional Territories

Chair Ferris 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

Moved by Trustee Painter

That the November 1, 2021 agenda be approved.

Motion Carried Unanimously

A.3. Approval of the Minutes

Moved by Trustee Painter

That the October 4, 2021 Education Policy and Directions Committee meeting minutes be approved.

Motion Carried Unanimously

A.4. Business arising from Minutes

None

B. PRESENTATIONS TO THE COMMITTEE

None

C. NEW BUSINESS

C.1. Introduction of Student Representatives

- a. Tanesha Bhangu - Spectrum Community School welcomed by Colin Roberts.

C.2. District Team Update /

C.3. Inclusion for Learning Strategy Update

Pam Halverson, District Principal, Inclusive Learning, provided an overview of the new Referral App that school based teachers in the District are using as a way to streamline the referral process. District Principal, Halverson gave thanks to the Information Technology for learning team for their brilliant support during the process. Sean McCartney, District Principal, Inclusive Learning provided an update on the Inclusion for Learning strategy and thanked colleagues in Finance and Facilities. Examples given showcased the collaborative work currently taking place. Oaklands Elementary, Willows Elementary, Monterey Middle, and Lansdowne Middle schools are involved in a pilot program using competency-based Individual Education Plans. The District Team will come back and share updates throughout the year. Questions of clarification were asked. Trustees provided thanks for the presentation.

D. NOTICE OF MOTION

None

E. GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

F. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:49 p.m.

Moved by Trustee Painter

That the meeting adjourn.

Motion Carried Unanimously