

Education Policy and Directions Committee Meeting - MINUTES October 4, 2021, 7:00 p.m. - VIA ZOOM

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Chairperson: Trustee Ferris

Trustees Present:	Education Policy and Directions members: Tom Ferris, Chair, Diane McNally, Ryan Painter, Jordan Watters
	Operations Policy and Planning 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, Dr. Shelly Niemi, District Administrator Indigenous Education, Andy Canty, Director, Information Technology for Learning, Kelly Gorman, Recorder
Stakeholders, Other Staff & Guests:	Robin Tosczak, GVTA, Angela Carmichael, VCPAC President, Connor McCoy, VPVPA President

A. COMMENCEMENT OF THE MEETING

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

A.1. Acknowledgment 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 October 4, 2021 Education Policy and Directions Committee meeting agenda be approved.

Motion Carried Unanimously

A.3. Approval of the Minutes

Moved by Trustee Painter

That the September 13, 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 Representative

None

C.2. SD61 Literacy Framework

Interim Deputy Superintendent Roberts introduced District Principal Hovis, Primary Learning Team Shortt and District Vice-Principal Learning Team Swan who presented the Literacy Framework. Trustees had questions of clarification and provided thanks for the presentation.

C.3. Zoom License for PAC from Parent Education Fund

Director of Information Technology Canty informed the Board that due to provincial licensing restrictions it is not possible to extend Zoom licenses to PAC members. Interim Superintendent Whitten will consult with administrators about the possibility of Principals assisting with scheduling PAC meetings.

C.4. Local Education Agreement - Esquimalt Nation

Interim Deputy Superintendent Roberts and District Administrator Indigenous Education Dr. Niemi presented the draft agreement which will be the first Local Education Agreement that the school district will have with the Esquimalt Nation. Trustees had questions of clarification and provided thanks for the presentation.

Moved by Trustee Painter

That the Board of Education of School District No.61 (Greater Victoria) approve the Local Education Agreement with the Esquimalt Nation, as presented.

Motion Carried Unanimously

- D. NOTICE OF MOTION
- **E. GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**
- F. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:14 pm.

Moved by Trustee Painter

That the meeting adjourn.

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Chair	Secretary-Treasurer