

BOARD MOTION: December 13, 2021

That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) write a letter to the Premier of British Columbia, Minister of Education, Minister of Finance and Minister of Environment and Climate Change to request that they closely collaborate to address the misalignment between provincial obligations to address the climate emergency by reducing GHG emissions in line with CleanBC and the Climate Accountability Act and the current school district capital funding gaps which result from: a) the provincial capital funding cost sharing model; and b) the difference between the actual capital costs associated with a “zero emissions” building and the current so called “net zero ready” capital funding standard applied to both building and renovating school district buildings; AND FURTHER as noted by other school boards the decision to build to a zero emission standard resides with the local school board resulting in the local school board having to identify the additional funding.

CARRIED Unanimously