



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

Monday, January 10, 2022, 7:00 p.m.

Trustees Present: Tom Ferris (Chair), Elaine Leonard, Angie Hentze, Nicole Duncan, Jordan Watters, Ryan Painter

Trustees Regrets: Diane McNally, Rob Paynter, Ann Whiteaker

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, Lena Palermo, Pro-D Chair, GVTA, Jane Massy, President, CUPE 947

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 Duncan

That the January 10, 2022 agenda be approved.

Motion Carried Unanimously

A.3. Approval of the Minutes

Moved By Trustee Leonard

That the December 6, 2021 Combined Education Policy and Directions Committee and Operations Policy and Planning Committee meeting minutes as they pertain to Education Policy and Directions Committee, be approved, as amended.

Trustee Duncan requested wording for item **I.2** be changed from net zero emissions to net zero ready.

Motion Carried Unanimously

A.4. Business Arising from Minutes

None.

B. PRESENTATIONS TO THE COMMITTEE

B.1. Teacher-Librarian

School District No. 61 Teacher Librarian Travis Richey presented to the Committee. Trustees provided thanks for the presentation, questions of clarification were asked.

C. NEW BUSINESS

C.1. Introduction of Student Representative

None.

C.2. District Team Update

District Principals Powell, Hovis and Renyard presented on connection, engagement and achievement, as it relates to supporting the student learning experience. District Principal Hovis provided information on the virtual Welcome to Kindergarten that will take place in February 2022. District Principal Renyard provided an update on assessment and reporting. District Principal Powell explained that mental health continues to be a priority. Trustees gave thanks for the presentation, questions of clarification were asked.

C.3. Board Authority Authorized Courses

District Principal Renyard introduced a new Board Authority Authorized course: Sport Psychology 12. Principal of Oak Bay Secondary Tom Aerts and Teacher Will Moore

presented the course to the Committee. Trustees gave thanks for the presentation, questions of clarification were asked.

Moved by Trustee Painter

That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) approve the new Board/Authority Authorized course: Sports Psychology 12.

Motion Carried Unanimously

C.4. School Police Liaison Officer Survey Results

Trustee Duncan presented the survey results.

C.5. Parent Education Fund 2021-2022 Update

Interim Superintendent Whitten provided an update on the Parent Education Fund.

D. NOTICE OF MOTION

None.

E. GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

F. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Trustee Duncan

That the meeting adjourn.

Motion Carried Unanimously

The meeting adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

Chair

Secretary-Treasurer