



**The Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria)  
Police Liaison Officer Ad Hoc Committee**

**MINUTES**

Date: **Thursday, November 26, 2020 at 4:00 p.m.**  
Location: **Tolmie Boardroom, 556 Boleskine Road**

Chairperson: Trustee Duncan

Committee Members Present: Nicole Duncan, Tom Ferris, Deb Whitten, Colin Roberts, Harold Caldwell, TailyWills, Mel Paas, Joanna Snow, Noah Roth, Lul Teklemariam, Jennifer Chambers, Alex Rosales, Darrell Underwood, Michael Brown, Matt Christie, Elaine Ho, Lisa Gunderson, Shauna Abbott

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A.

**COMMENCEMENT OF MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 4:00pm.

A.1

**Acknowledgement of Traditional Territories -**

*Chair Duncan 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 Ferris

B.

**PRESENTATIONS TO THE COMMITTEE**

B.1

**To be determined**

C.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **C.1**

#### **Review Police Liaison Officer Ad Hoc Committee Terms or Reference (including purpose, deliverables, membership and timeline)**

Chair Duncan commented on the purpose of the Terms of Reference.

A discussion occurred regarding how Police Liaison Officers work with schools. PLOs help to build bonds and relationships between the school and police. They are not there in an enforcement role, rather to educate and be a resource to students, school staff, administrators and parents.

A discussion occurred regarding VTRA and the role of PLOs when a VTRA is completed. Additional information was provided regarding the roles of PLOs in schools.

A discussion occurred regarding whether Police should participate on this committee. Different views were shared. Several committee members do not have a concern with Police participating on the committee.

A discussion occurred regarding whether the committee could adequately complete Deliverables 6 – 9. It was decided that this topic would be discussed further at the January committee meeting.

### **C.2**

#### **Review Trauma-Informed Approach to Assessing the Creation, Organization, and Utility of School Resource (Liaison) Officer Programs (August 2020)**

### **D.**

## **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS**

### **E.**

## **GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Next Meeting Date: January 7, 2021**

### **F.**

## **ADJOURNMENT**