



The Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria)

Special Board Meeting

MINUTES

Wednesday, July 27, 2022, 7:00 p.m.

Trustees Present: Ryan Painter, Board Chair, Tom Ferris, Vice-Chair, Angie Hentze, Elaine Leonard, Jordan Watters, Ann Whiteaker

Trustee Regrets: Nicole Duncan

Sanctioned/Suspended: Diane McNally, Rob Paynter

Administration: Deb Whitten, Superintendent of Schools, Kim Morris, Secretary-Treasurer

A. COMMENCEMENT OF MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 7:12 p.m.

A.1 Acknowledgement of Traditional Territories

Chair Painter 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 Leonard
Seconded By Trustee Hentze

That the July 27, 2022 Special Board meeting agenda be approved, with the following addition:

B. Community Presentations

B.1. Alan Lowe, Chair, Chinese Consolidated Benevolent Association

Motion Carried Unanimously

Moved by Trustee Painter
Seconded by Trustee Ferris

That the July 27, 2022 Special Board meeting agenda be approved, as amended.

Motion Carried Unanimously

A.3. Approval of the Minutes

Nil

B. COMMUNITY PRESENTATIONS

B.1. Alan Lowe, Chair, Chinese Consolidated Benevolent Association

Mr. Lowe attended the meeting to speak to Trustees about the 100th year anniversary of the 1922 Chinese student strike and the events planned to commemorate the strike.

C. CHAIR'S REPORT

C.1. 100-Year Commemoration of the 1922 Chinese Student Strike

Discussion ensued amongst Trustees with suggestions being made on how the District can honor the anniversary of the strike.

Moved by Trustee Ferris
Seconded by Trustee Watters

That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) direct the Chair to write a letter of apology to the Chinese Consolidated Benevolent Association, formally apologizing for the 1922 segregation of all racialized Chinese students by the School Board and Board Chair George Jay.

Motion Carried Unanimously

D. ADJOURNMENT

That the meeting be adjourned at 7:24 p.m.

Moved By Trustee Ferris
Seconded By Trustee Leonard

That the meeting be adjourned.

Motion Carried Unanimously

Chair

Secretary-Treasurer