

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

Monday, September 12, 2022, 7:00 p.m.

Trustees Present: Tom Ferris (Chair), Elaine Leonard, Angie Hentze, Ann Whiteaker, Jordan

Watters, Ryan Painter, Nicole Duncan

Trustees Suspended: Diane McNally, Rob Paynter

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

Treasurer, Harold Caldwell, Deputy Superintendent, Tom Aerts, Associate Superintendent, Dr. Shelly Niemi, Director of Indigenous

Education, Andy Canty, Director, Information Technology for

Learning, Kelly Gorman, Recorder

A. COMMENCEMENT OF MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 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 Leonard

That the September 12, 2022 agenda be approved.

Motion Carried Unanimously

A.3. Approval of the Minutes

Moved By Trustee Whiteaker

That the June 6, 2022 Education Policy and Directions Committee meeting minutes, be approved.

Trustee Whiteaker requested the following amendment under B.2:

B.2. Remove, including three mental health lenses to support mental health in the District, it is a duplicate sentence.

Motion Carried Unanimously

A.4. Business Arising from Minutes

None

B. PRESENTATIONS TO THE COMMITTEE

None

C. NEW BUSINESS

C.1. Parent Education Fund 2021-2022 Update

Superintendent Whitten presented the Parent Education Fund Update for 2021-2022.

Trustee Whiteaker requested Superintendent Whitten provide an update to the Board on the top themes that the funds were utilized to support.

C.2. Anaphylaxis Aggregate Report 2021-2022

Superintendent Whitten provided the aggregate report.

Trustee Duncan requested an update on seizure medication changes and impacts. Superintendent Whitten will provide an update at the September 20, 2022 Operations Policy and Planning Committee Meeting.

C.3. Framework for Enhanced Student Learning (FESL)

District Principal Renyard introduced the draft Framework for Enhancing Student Learning (FESL) report for 2022-2023. The purpose of FESL is to report and monitor continuous improvement and report to the Ministry of Education annually. The report

was created in alignment with the district's strategic plan. Goals were presented by the district team.

Trustees provided thanks and questions of clarification were asked.

C.4. Draft Policy 2100.1 Superintendent Evaluation

Secretary-Treasurer Morris presented draft Policy 2100.1 Superintendent Evaluation.

Moved By Trustee Painter

That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) move Draft Policy 2100.1 *Superintendent Evaluation* adopted in September 2020, out of draft and formally adopt as presented, to establish the process for evaluating the Superintendent.

Trustees discussed the motion.

Amendment to Draft Policy 2100.1

Moved By Trustee Whiteaker

That the draft Policy 2100.1 be amended as follows:

Process:

1. The Chair Board will appoint two trustees who will, together with the Superintendent, seek consensus relative to the evaluation process, including but not limited to, recommending an external consultant, selecting a leadership survey tool and identifying the possible recipients of the survey tool and staff who may be interviewed.

Trustees discussed the amendment.

For: Hentze, Watters, Whiteaker

Against: Leonard, Ferris, Painter

Abstain: Duncan

Motion Defeated (3 to 3)

Moved By Trustee Whiteaker

That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) rescind of the second part of the original motion from Sept 21, 2020.

That the Board of Education of School District No.61 (Greater Victoria) adopt the draft Superintendent Evaluation Policy Option 2 as presented;

AND FURTHER

That the policy remain in draft until the first evaluation is concluded;

AND FURTHER

That the Board review the draft Superintendent Evaluation policy immediately after completing the Superintendent Evaluation process.

For: Whiteaker, Watters, Hentze, Leonard, Painter, Ferris

Against: Duncan

Motion Carried (6 to 1)

That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) move Draft Policy 2100.1 *Superintendent Evaluation* adopted in September 2020, out of draft and formally adopt as presented, to establish the process for evaluating the Superintendent.

For: Watters, Hentze, Leonard, Painter, Ferris

Against: Duncan

Abstain: Whiteaker

Motion Carried (5 to 1)

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 8:18 p.m.