



**The Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria)
Education Policy and Directions Committee Meeting
REGULAR MINUTES
Monday, November 14, 2022, 7:00 p.m.**

Trustees Present: **Education Policy and Directions members:** Emily Mahbobi (Chair), Mavis David, Angela Carmichael, Diane McNally

Operations Policy and Planning members: Nicole Duncan (Chair until vote), Karen Kwan, Derek Gagnon, Natalie Baillaut

Administration: Deb Whitten, Superintendent of Schools, Katrina Stride, Acting Secretary-Treasurer, Harold Caldwell, Deputy Superintendent, Tom Aerts, Associate Superintendent, Tammy Renyard, District Principal, Dr. Shelly Niemi, Director of Indigenous Education, Andy Canty, Director, Information Technology for Learning

Partners: Taily Wills, CUPE 947, Lena Palmero, GVTA, Paula Marchese, VCPAC, Brenna O'Connor, VPVPA

A. COMMENCEMENT OF MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 7:01pm

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 Kwan

That the November 14, 2022 agenda be approved.

Motion Carried Unanimously

A.3. Trustee Election

a. Election of Chair

Chair Duncan called for nominations for the position of Chair of the Education Policy and Directions Committee for the term to November 2023.

Nominations were received for Trustee McNally, Trustee Carmichael and Trustee Mahbobi.

Trustees McNally and Carmichael declined. Chair Duncan declared Trustee Mahbobi the Chair of the Education Policy and Directions Committee.

b. Motion to Destroy Election Ballots/Text Messages

Moved by Trustee McNally

That the election ballots received by text message to Deputy Superintendent Caldwell and Associate Superintendent Aerts be destroyed.

Motion Carried Unanimously

Trustee Duncan passed the gavel to Chair Mahbobi

A.4. Approval of the Minutes

Moved by Trustee Duncan

That the October 3, 2022 Education Policy and Directions Committee meeting minutes, be approved.

Motion Carried Unanimously

A.5. Business Arising from Minutes

Trustee Duncan requested the Oasis presentation from the October 3, 2022 Education Policy and Directions Committee meeting be sent to all Trustees.

B. PRESENTATIONS TO THE COMMITTEE

None.

C. NEW BUSINESS

C.1. Deputy Superintendent Caldwell presented the music review memo including the engagement report and timeline to report back to the Board of Education.

Trustees had questions of clarification.

C.2. Deputy Superintendent Caldwell presented the Framework for Enhancing Student Learning (FESL) review memo. Director of Indigenous Education Dr. Shelly Niemi and District Principal Tammy Renyard presented on the Educated Citizen as it relates to FESL and ministry required changes.

The primary purpose of education and the three main objectives are:

- 1. Intellectual Development
- 2. Human and Social Development
- 3. Career Development

The Ministry of Education and Child Care’s new proficiency scale was reviewed for grades K-9. The Districts new Principles of Assessment were introduced and reviewed.

September 2022 we signed the first Metis Education agreement with the Metis Nation of Greater Victoria and the Metis Nation of British Columbia it is a tri party education agreement, the first ever in Canada.

Trustees thanked staff for the presentation and had questions of clarification.

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 8:52 p.m.

Chair

Secretary-Treasurer