



**The Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria)
Education Policy and Directions Committee Meeting
REGULAR MINUTES
Monday, May 1, 2023, 7:00 p.m.**

Trustees Present: **Education Policy and Directions members:** Emily Mahbobi (Chair), Nicole Duncan, Natalie Baillaut

Operations Policy and Planning members: Nicole Duncan, Rob Paynter, Karin Kwan, Derek Gagnon

Trustee Regrets: Diane McNally, Angela Carmichael, Mavis David

Administration: Deb Whitten, Superintendent of Schools, Katrina Stride, Secretary-Treasurer, Harold Caldwell, Deputy Superintendent, Tom Aerts, Associate Superintendent, David Hovis, District Principal, Sean McCartney, District Principal, Andy Canty, Director, Information Technology for Learning

Partners: Lena Palmero, GVTA, Brenna O'Connor, VPVPA, Tracy Humphreys, VCPAC, Jane Massy, CUPE 947

A. COMMENCEMENT OF MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

A.1. Acknowledgement of Traditional Territories

Chair Mahbobi recognized and acknowledged the Esquimalt and Songhees Nations, on whose traditional territories we live, we learn, and we do our work.

Trustee Duncan assigned Natalie Baillaut to the Education Policy and Directions Committee.

A.2. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Trustee Duncan

That the May 1, 2023 agenda be approved with the addition of **B.5. Ryan Broe.**

Motion Carried Unanimously

A.3. Approval of the Minutes

Moved by Trustee Duncan

That the April 3, 2023 Education Policy and Directions Committee meeting minutes be approved.

Motion Carried Unanimously

A.4. Business Arising from Minutes

None.

B. PRESENTATIONS TO THE COMMITTEE

B.1. Boma, Support Network for Indigenous Women and Women of Colour presented on the School Police Liaison Officer Program.

Trustees provided thanks and questions of clarification were asked.

B.2. Matt Christie presented on the School Police Liaison Review Committee recommendations.

Trustees provided thanks and questions of clarification were asked.

B.3. Kelli Kraft presented on the School Police Liaison Officer Program.

Trustees provided thanks for the presentation.

B.4. Cole Brewer presented on the School Police Liaison Officer Program.

Trustees provided thanks for the presentation.

B.5. Ryan Broe presented on the School Police Liaison Officer Program.

Trustees provided thanks for the presentation.

C. NEW BUSINESS

- C.1.** Deputy Superintendent Caldwell presented the Framework for Enhancing Student Learning (FESL) Memo. District Principals McCartney and Hovis presented on District Goals / Priority Students.

District Team Goal

To support schools in feeling confident and capable in re-engaging priority students so they can say:

I belong, I have purpose, I matter.

Trustees provided thanks and questions of clarification were asked.

- C.2.** Policy Sub-Committee

Trustee Duncan presented the Draft Policy XXXX Sanctuary Schools to receive feedback from Trustees and partner groups. Trustee Duncan thanked Superintendent Whitten and Trustee Mahbobi for their work on the policy.

Moved by Trustee Duncan

That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) refer Draft Policy XXXX Sanctuary Schools with suggested amendments to the May 29, 2023 Board of Education meeting.

AND FURTHER

Provide a copy of the Draft Policy XXXX Sanctuary Schools to Rightsholders, stakeholders and relevant District staff inviting comment in advance of the May 29, 2023 Board of Education meeting.

Motion Carried Unanimously

- C.3.** Trustee Duncan presented the School Police Liaison Officer Committee Recommendations.

Moved by Trustee Duncan

That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) consider the School Police Liaison Officer Program Review Ad Hoc Committee report at a Special Board Meeting to be scheduled in May 2023.

Motion Carried Unanimously

D. NOTICE OF MOTION

None.

E. GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

F. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Trustee Baillaut

That the meeting adjourn.

Motion Carried Unanimously

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Chair

Secretary-Treasurer