



**The Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria)
Special Board Budget Meeting
MINUTES
Tuesday, April 4, 2023, 6:30 p.m.**

Trustees Present: Nicole Duncan, Board Chair, Karin Kwan, Vice-Chair, Angela Carmichael, Natalie Baillaut, Derek Gagnon, Rob Paynter, Emily Mahbobi, Mavis David, Diane McNally

Administration: Deb Whitten, Superintendent of Schools, Katrina Stride, Secretary-Treasurer, Harold Caldwell, Deputy Superintendent, Tom Aerts, Associate Superintendent, Julie Lutner, Associate Secretary-Treasurer, Hervinder Parmar, Director of Finance, Budgets and Financial Reporting, Jim Vair, Director of Human Resources Services, Andy Canty, Director of Information Technology

Partners: Jane Massy, CUPE 947, Ilda Turcotte, GVTA, Connor McCoy, VPVPA, Taily Willis, CUPE 947, Brenna O'Connor, VPVPA

A. COMMENCEMENT OF MEETING

This meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

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 Baillaut
Seconded by Trustee Kwan

That the April 4, 2023 Special Board Budget agenda be approved.

Motion Carried Unanimously

A.3. Community Presentations

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- a. Cindy Romphf, Health and Safety Officer GVTA, presented on Violence Prevention and Student Supports.

Trustees provided thanks for the presentation; questions of clarification were asked.

- b. Jules Dawkins, grade 12 student from Esquimalt Secondary School, presented on music in the Greater Victoria school District.

Trustees provided thanks for the presentation.

- c. Sonya McRae, Exploratory Teacher at Shoreline Middle School, presented on teacher prep funds.

Trustees provided thanks for the presentation.

- d. Amy Reid, Kindergarten Teacher in SD 61, presented on needs in Early Learning.

Trustees provided thanks for the presentation; questions of clarification were asked.

B. 2023-2024 ANNUAL BUDGET

B.1. 2023-2024 Annual Budget Memo

Superintendent Whitten and Secretary-Treasurer Stride provided a presentation which included alignment to the Strategic Plan and FESL as well as a financial overview for the 2023-2024 budget. The presentation included items B.2 to B.6.

B.2. Values/Guiding Principles

Secretary-Treasurer Stride provided the values/guiding principles for information.

B.3. 2023-2024 Budget Balancing Recommendation Worksheet

Secretary-Treasurer Stride provided the 2023-2024 Budget Balancing Recommendation Worksheet for information.

B.4. Draft 2023-2024 Annual Budget Ministry Template

Secretary-Treasurer Stride provided the Draft 2023-2024 Annual Budget Ministry Template for information.

B.5. Draft Multi-Year Financial Forecast Memo and Worksheet

Secretary-Treasurer Stride provided the Draft Multi-Year Financial Forecast memo and worksheet for information.

B.6. Draft Multi-Year Technology Spending Plan

Secretary-Treasurer Stride provided the Draft Multi-Year Technology Spending Plan for information.

Trustees provided thanks for the presentation; questions of clarification were asked.

Trustees and staff discussed the technology spending plan.

Trustees and staff discussed budget items and had questions of clarification.

Trustees discussed the 1st and 2nd Budget Bylaw readings and decided to table them until the April 6, 2023 Special Board Budget meeting.

B.7. Budget Bylaw Readings: 1st and 2nd Reading

Moved by Trustee Kwan

Seconded by Trustee Carmichael

That the motion "*That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) 2023-2024 Annual Budget Bylaw in the amount of \$298,348,303 be:*

Read a first time the 04 day of April, 2023." Be tabled to the April 6, 2023 Special Board Budget meeting.

Motion Carried Unanimously

Moved by Trustee Kwan

Seconded by Trustee Carmichael

That the motion "*That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) 2023-2024 Annual Budget Bylaw in the amount of \$298,348,303 be:*

Read a second time the 4th day of April, 2023." Be tabled to the April 6, 2023 Special Board Budget meeting.

Motion Carried Unanimously

C. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Moved by Trustee Baillaut

Seconded by Trustee Mahbobi

That the meeting be adjourned.

Motion Carried Unanimously

Chair

Secretary-Treasurer