



**The Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria)
Education Policy and Directions Committee Meeting
REGULAR MINUTES
Monday, February 5, 2024, 7:00 p.m.**

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

Trustee Regrets: Angela Carmichael, Derek Gagnon, Diane McNally, Rob Paynter

Administration: Deb Whitten, Superintendent of Schools, Katrina Stride, Secretary-Treasurer, Harold Caldwell, Deputy Superintendent, Tom Aerts, Associate Superintendent, Andy Canty, Director, Information Technology for Learning, Vicki Roberts, VPVPA

Partners: Lena Palermo, GVTA, Nyssa Temmel, VCPAC

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.

A.2. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Trustee Baillaut

That the February 5, 2024 agenda be approved.

Motion Carried Unanimously

A.3. Approval of the Minutes

Moved by Trustee Baillaut

That the January 15, 2024 Education Policy and Directions Committee meeting minutes be approved.

Motion Carried Unanimously

A.4. Business Arising from Minutes

None.

B. PRESENTATIONS TO THE COMMITTEE

None.

C. NEW BUSINESS

- C.1.** Director of Indigenous Education Dr. Shelly Niemi provided a memo and presented with District Indigenous middle years teacher consultant Kolette Cristante. They provided an overview of Indigenous Education within our School District from a Department level with a highlight for what that looks like in practice at the Middle Years. Glanford Middle School Principal Vicki Roberts outlined how Glanford Middle School is supporting Indigenous Education.

Trustees and partners had questions of clarification.

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 8:31 p.m.