



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

Monday, October 7, 2024, 7:00 p.m.

Trustees Present: **Education Policy and Directions members:** Emily Mahbobi (Chair), Natalie Baillaut, Mavis David, Nicole Duncan (Ex Officio), Diane McNally

Operations Policy and Planning members: Karin Kwan, Rob Paynter

Trustee Regrets: Angela Carmichael, Derek Gagnon

Administration: Deb Whitten, Superintendent of Schools, Katrina Stride, Secretary-Treasurer, Tom Aerts, Associate Superintendent, Sean Powell, Acting Associate Superintendent, Tina Pierik, VPVPA

Partners: Ilana Hampton, GVTA, Tara Knight, CUPE 947, Nyssa Temmel, VCPAC

A. COMMENCEMENT OF MEETING

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 McNally

That the October 7, 2024 agenda be approved.

Motion Carried Unanimously

A.3. Approval of the Minutes

Moved by Trustee David

That the June 3, 2024 Education Policy and Directions Committee meeting minutes, be approved.

Motion Carried Unanimously

Moved by Trustee McNally

That the September 9, 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. District Principal Inclusive Learning McCartney, District Principal Naughton and Vice Principal Jessie Moore presented on Inclusive Learning in the District.

Trustees had questions of clarification.

C.2. Superintendent Whitten provided the outline for the Student Achievement and Data Presentations for 2024-2025.

C.3. District Principal David Hovis presented on the kindergarten to Grade 5 Literacy Plan for the District. Quadra Elementary presented a school literacy story featuring insight from Staff, including Early Literacy Collaboration Teacher Lisa Mulvihill, Learning Support Teacher Allison Derrick, and Vice Principal Jeanne Humphries.

Trustees and Partners had questions of clarification.

C.4. Superintendent Whitten provided the Anaphylaxis Aggregate Report for the 2023-2024 school year.

Partners had questions of clarification.

C.5. Superintendent Whitten provided the Parent Education Fund for the 2024-2025 school year.

Trustees had questions of clarification.

C.6. Associate Superintendent Aerts presented Draft Regulation 6163.1, *Learning Resources*.

Subject to further revisions to be made by Associate Superintendent Aerts, the following motion was recommended.

Moved by Trustee Duncan

That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) accept a revised Regulation 6163.1 Learning Resources.

Motion Carried Unanimously

D. NOTICE OF MOTION

None.

E. GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

F. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Trustee David

That the meeting adjourn.

Motion Carried Unanimously

The meeting adjourned at 9:48 p.m.