

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES OF SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 36 (SURREY) HELD IN THE CITY OF SURREY COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22nd, 2007 AT 7:30 P.M.**

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**IN ATTENDANCE**

**Trustees**

R. Masi, Vice Chairperson  
T. Allen  
W. Jefferson  
L. McNally

**Staff**

P. B. Drescher, Deputy Superintendent  
W. D. Noye, Secretary-Treasurer  
L. McCuaig, Administrative Assistant

**Absent:**

S. Wilson, Chairperson  
P. Glass  
H. Stilwell

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[1] **CALL TO ORDER**

Acting Chairperson Masi called the meeting to order at 7:28 p.m.

**Presenters & Staff:**

In addition to the Table Officers named above, the following presenters and staff were in attendance at the meeting:

Kathleen Casprowitz, Chair of the Board of Governors of Kwantlen University College; Steve Dooley, Instructor, Kwantlen University College; Patti Dundas, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer; Judith McGillivray, Vice President, Learning and Provost, Kwantlen University College; Doug Strachan, Manager, Communication Services; and Marilyn Waithman, Director of Education Transitions, Kwantlen University College.

**Trustee Absences:**

Acting Chairperson Masi advised that Trustees Glass and Wilson were not present due to illness and that Trustee Stilwell was not available to attend the meeting.

(a) **"O Canada"**

Trustees, Administration and the audience sang "O Canada".

(b) Approval of Agenda of Regular Board Meeting

Acting Chairperson Masi requested that item 1(c) *Recognition: Crescent Park Elementary Halloween Parent Patrol* be removed from the agenda and all items renumbered accordingly.

It was moved by Trustee McNally, seconded by Trustee Allen:

THAT the agenda of the Regular Board meeting be approved as amended.

CARRIED

(c) Presentation: Ceremonial Signing of Memorandum of Understanding re: Kwantlen Quad Districts Partnership

Kathleen Casprowitz, Chair of the Board of Governors of Kwantlen University College; Judith McGillivray, Vice President, Learning and Provost; Marilyn Waithman, Director of Education Transitions, and Steve Dooley, Instructor, Kwantlen University College, provided Trustees with information regarding "The Quad Districts Partnership" memorandum of understanding.

The Surrey School District and Kwantlen University College have had a long and close association in the joint development of programs and services that have benefited school district students. This has grown into highly successful partnerships in the trades areas, including, welding, carpentry, horticulture, roofing, masonry, outdoor power equipment, warehousing and millwright, to name a few. A number of school district students have participated in accelerated academic programs, taking college courses while still in high school. Surrey School District's research department has worked very closely with Kwantlen staff and students in investigating areas and developing projects that are of mutual interest and benefit. More recently, this partnership has included joint professional development activities involving Kwantlen faculty and Surrey teachers. Our partnership to date has served two common purposes, to expand learning opportunities for students, and to help ensure the smooth transition of students from high school to post secondary.

Kwantlen University College is establishing similar working relationships with all of the school districts that it currently serves, including, Surrey, Langley, Delta, and Richmond.

Kwantlen, along with the four districts, have formed a Kwantlen Quad Districts Partnerships committee to oversee the development and delivery of joint activities and programs. This has now been active for approximately one year.

In recognition of the many joint activities that have taken place thus far, and recognizing the potential for the continued development of our partnership in the future, the four school districts and Kwantlen University College wish to formalize their relationship by signing Memorandums of Understanding.

The Acting Chairperson, Ms. Casprowitz and Ms. McGillivray signed the agreement on behalf of Kwantlen University College and the Board.

[2] **DELEGATIONS**

No items.

[3] **ACTION ITEMS**

(a) Adoption of Minutes of Regular Board Meeting Held 2007-02-08

It was moved by Trustee Jefferson, seconded by Trustee Allen:

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Board meeting held 2007-02-08 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

(b) Response to Delegation: Mr. R. Keating, re: Principles in the School System

It was moved by Trustee McNally, seconded by Trustee Jefferson:

THAT the Board direct the Chairperson to write a letter to Mr. Keating, extending its appreciation for his presentation at the 2007-02-08 Regular Board meeting; and

THAT the Board acknowledge the points raised in Mr. Keating's presentation and express its gratitude for bringing his concerns regarding principles in the Surrey School District system, to the Board's attention.

CARRIED

[4] **INFORMATION AND PROPOSALS**

(a) Trustee Reports

Trustees reported on their activities since the last Board meeting.

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(b) Incoming Correspondence

There were no correspondence items requiring Trustees' attention.

(c) Report on Changes to Classes Pursuant to Section 76.4 of the *School Act*

Peter Drescher, Deputy Superintendent, provided Trustees with a report outlining the changes to classes that have taken place since the last reporting. The organization of classes is in compliance with the provisions of the *School Act* and is appropriate for student learning.

It was moved by Trustee Jefferson, seconded by Trustee McNally:

THAT the Board accept the report on changes to classes pursuant to Section 76.4 of the *School Act*.

CARRIED

[5] **FUTURE BUSINESS**

(a) Items for Future Discussion

Trustees made note of topics requiring discussion by the Board in the future on the agenda administrative memorandum schedule.

(b) Future Meetings

Trustees made note of future meetings outlined on the agenda administrative memorandum schedule.

[6] **QUESTION PERIOD**

An informal question period of up to 30 minutes will be provided immediately following the conclusion of the meeting.

[7] **ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved by Trustee McNally, seconded by Trustee Allen:

THAT the Regular meeting of the Board be adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

**CARRIED**

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R. Masi  
Acting Chairperson

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W.D. Noye  
Secretary-Treasurer

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