

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, MARCH 29th, 2007 AT 7:30 P.M.

IN ATTENDANCE

Trustees

S. Wilson, Chairperson
R. Masi, Vice Chairperson
T. Allen
P. Glass
W. Jefferson
H. Stilwell

Staff

M. A. McKay, Superintendent
W. D. Noye, Secretary-Treasurer
L. McCuaig, Administrative Assistant

Absent

L. McNally

[1] **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson Wilson called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Presenters & Staff:

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

Catherine Berron, Principal, Crescent Park Elementary; Bob Coventry, Assistant Superintendent; Patti Dundas, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer; Debbie Gomersall, Administrative Assistant; Kerry Magnus, Associate Director, Business Management Services; Selina Millar, Science Helping Teacher; Jack Mitchell, Principal, Lena Shaw Elementary; Angie Smith, Administrative Secretary.

Trustee Absence:

Chairperson Wilson advised that Trustee McNally was not present at the meeting as she was chaperoning students on an extended field trip.

(a) **"O Canada"**

The Lena Shaw Elementary Choir led Trustees, Administration and the audience in singing "O Canada".

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

(b) Approval of Agenda of Regular Board Meeting

The Chairperson requested that item 2(d) *Presentation: Lena Shaw Elementary Choir*, be moved to item 2(c) and all items be renumbered accordingly.

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

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

CARRIED

(c) Presentation: Lena Shaw Elementary Choir

Jack Mitchell, Principal, Lena Shaw Elementary, introduced Jacqueline Johnson, Choir Director, and Cecilia LePage, accompanist, and the Lena Shaw Elementary Choir. The choir sang several songs for the enjoyment of everyone present.

(d) Recognition: Crescent Park Elementary Halloween Parent Patrol

The Board recognized Milo Basarich, Heinz Buhrig, Andrew Dallas, Allen Dalstrom, Rob MacDonald, Dean Peacock and Brian Warrior for their support of Crescent Park Elementary by patrolling the grounds of Crescent Park Elementary on Halloween night unfailingly for at least six years.

In the cold or the rain, or both, they typically spend all evening and well into the early hours of the next morning patrolling the school grounds until the Halloween festivities have died down and there is no longer a risk to the school.

Not only do these parents protect the school from vandalism in all its forms, but the janitors working in the school have expressed their appreciation for the extra sets of eyes and ears as well.

The Board recognized Milo Basarich, Heinz Buhrig, Andrew Dallas, Allen Dalstrom, Rob MacDonald, Dean Peacock and Brian Warrior for their exceptionally dedicated volunteerism in support of Crescent Park Elementary school. The Chairperson presented the volunteers with a certificate of recognition and a pin to commemorating their formal Board recognition.

(e) Presentation: Science Fair

Selina Millar, Science Helping Teacher, provided Trustees with information regarding the 41st Annual District Science Fair and introduced each of the Science Fair participants present. Each student made a short presentation on his/her project to the Board. The projects covered a wide variety of scientific concepts and highlighted the achievements of the students. Science Fair projects were presented by:

- Megan Lam & Chaerin Kwon, Grade 8, Kwantlen Park Inter A
“Chemicals Found in Eating Utensils”
- Jordan Tardi, Grade 5, Sunrise Ridge Elementary – *“Paint-o-matic”*
- Moneeka Dakha & Kaylee Dodds, Grade 7, Erma Stephenson Elementary – *“Does Fast Food = Fat Food?”*
- Garret Franklin & Gurjadh Dhanda, Grade 7, Morgan Creek Elementary – *“Bacteria in Household Areas”*
- Brendan Strivlire & Alex Taylor, Grade 6, Crescent Park Elementary – *“Uncourant Electrique”*
- Irajjan Nijjar & Crystal Huang, Grade 7, W.F. Davidson Elementary – *“Different Drinks Different Reactions”*

The Board thanked the Science Fair Committee, for their dedication and commitment in organizing the annual District Science Fair, as well as the students for bringing their projects to share with Trustees.

Chairperson Wilson recessed the meeting at 8:21 p.m. in order for Trustees to view the Science Fair Presentations more closely and reconvened the meeting at 8:36 p.m.

[2] DELEGATIONS

No items.

[3] ACTION ITEMS

(a) Adoption of Minutes of Regular Board Meeting Held 2007-03-08

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

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Board meeting held 2007-03-08 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

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[4] **INFORMATION AND PROPOSALS**

(a) Trustee Reports

Trustees reported on their activities since the last Board meeting.

(b) Notice of Motion, Trustee T. Allen, re: Declaration of April 28th – “National Day of Mourning”

Trustee Allen provided Trustees with information regarding the Declaration of April 28th – “National Day of Mourning” and presented a Notice of Motion for information.

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

THAT the Board give formal consideration to the *Notice of Motion, Trustee T. Allen, Re: Declaration of April 28th – “National Day of Mourning”*, at the 2007-03-29 Regular meeting.
CARRIED

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

THAT WHEREAS workers continue to be killed and injured at their workplace; and

WHEREAS workplaces across Canada annually recognize April 28th as the National Day of Mourning for workers killed or injured on the job.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of School Trustees of School District No. 36 (Surrey) declare each April 28th as the annual National Day of Mourning in the School District, for workers killed or injured in their workplace; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Board of School Trustees of School District No. 36 (Surrey) direct Administration to work with the employee groups to determine the appropriate recognition for that day.

CARRIED

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

Mike McKay, 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 Glass, seconded by Trustee Jefferson:

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

CARRIED

(d) Incoming Correspondence

There were no correspondence items requiring Trustees' attention.

[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 Stilwell, seconded by Trustee Jefferson:

THAT the Regular meeting of the Board be adjourned at 9:03 p.m.

CARRIED

S. Wilson
Chairperson

W.D. Noye
Secretary-Treasurer