

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 36 (SURREY) HELD IN THE CITY OF SURREY COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 4<sup>th</sup>, 2007 AT 7:30 P.M.**

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**IN ATTENDANCE**

**Trustees**

S. Wilson, Chairperson  
R. Masi, Vice Chairperson  
T. Allen  
P. Glass  
L. McNally  
H. Stilwell

**Staff**

M. A. McKay, Superintendent  
W. D. Noye, Secretary-Treasurer  
P. B. Drescher, Deputy Superintendent  
A. Smith, Administrative Secretary

**Absent**

W. Jefferson

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[1] **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson Wilson called the meeting to order at 7:39 p.m.

**Presenters & Staff:**

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

Patti Dundas, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer; Kerry Magnus, Associate Director, Business Management Services and Doug Strachan, Manager, Communication Services.

(a) **"O Canada"**

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

(b) **Approval of Agenda of Regular Board Meeting**

Chairperson Wilson requested that item 3(d) *Declaration of October 5, 2007 – "World Teachers' Day"* be added to the agenda.

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

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

**CARRIED**

[2] **DELEGATIONS**

No items.

[3] **ACTION ITEMS**

(a) **Adoption of Minutes of Regular Board Meeting Held 2007-09-20**

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

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Board meeting held 2007-09-20 be adopted as circulated.

**CARRIED**

(b) **Schedule of Board Meeting Dates - 2008**

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

THAT the Board waive Policy #2400 – *School Board Meetings and Trustee In-Service Sessions* in determining the Board meeting dates for March, April and May 2008; approve the 2008 schedule of Board meetings as presented and the meetings scheduled for the last Thursday in August and the second Thursday in September be held only if the Chairperson determines there is a need for such meetings.

**CARRIED**

(c) **Appointment of Architect – District Education & Conference Centre – Site #068**

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

THAT the Board, subject to government approvals, policies and regulations, authorize Administration to enter into an Architectural Agreement with Bunting Coady Architects to design and construct a District Education and Conference Centre.

**CARRIED**

(d) **Declaration of October 5, 2007 – “World Teachers’ Day”**

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

THAT the Board declare October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2007 as “World Teachers’ Day” and acknowledge the significant contribution our teachers make in keeping our learners at the centre.

**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 R. Masi, re: Declaration of November 7, 2007 – “Take Our Kids to Work” Day

Trustee Masi provided Trustees with information regarding the 2007-11-07 “Take Our Kids to Work” Day and presented a Notice of Motion for information.

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

THAT the Board give formal consideration to the *Notice of Motion, Trustee R. Masi, Re: Declaration of November 7, 2007 – “Take Our Kids to Work” Day*, at the 2007-10-04 Regular meeting.

CARRIED

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

THAT WHEREAS the “Take Our Kids to Work” program sponsored by The Learning Partnership, brings together business people, education and community leaders who are committed to creating challenging learning and career opportunities for young people in Grade 9; and

WHEREAS this project will show students through direct experiences, just how important skills, training and education are to their success; and

WHEREAS substantive curriculum materials have been written for in-class projects and assignments to support the day and make the experience more meaningful for the students, including the Workplace Guide which is also available to assist participating workplaces in preparing a positive experience for employees and their guests; and

WHEREAS the success of the day is contingent on the level of participation by the students, parents, teachers and employers in bringing to reality the experience of an average work day.

IT IS THEREFORE RECOMMENDED THAT the Board declare November 7, 2007 as “Take Our Kids to Work” day and publicize the event throughout the school district by reminding staff, parents,

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students and the business community of the benefit to our Grade 9 students afforded by supporting the various activities during this special day.

CARRIED

(c) Progress Report – Active Capital Projects

Wayne Noye, Secretary-Treasurer, provided Trustees with a progress report regarding active capital projects.

(d) Report on the Organization of Classes Pursuant to Section 76.3 of the School Act

Mike McKay, Superintendent, provided Trustees with a verbal report on the status of class organization in the district. This topic will be a monthly agenda item as required by Bill 33.

(e) 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 McNally, seconded by Trustee Allen:

THAT the Regular meeting of the Board be adjourned at 8:21 p.m.

CARRIED

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S. Wilson  
Chairperson

WDN/as

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W.D. Noye  
Secretary-Treasurer