

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, SEPTEMBER 11th, 2008 AT 7:30 P.M.

IN ATTENDANCE

Trustees

W. Jefferson, Vice Chairperson
T. Allen
P. Glass
L. McNally
H. Stilwell
S. Wilson

Staff

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

Absent

R. Masi, Chairperson

[1] **CALL TO ORDER**

Acting Chairperson Jefferson 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:

Patti Dundas, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer; Glenn Galy, Principal, Surrey Connect; James Hogan, Vice Principal, Surrey Connect; Kerry Magnus, Associate Director, Business Management Services; Jeff May, Vice Principal, Surrey Connect; Lance Nordling, Director, Physical Plant & Transportation Services; Doug Strachan, Manager, Communication Services.

(a) **"O Canada"**

Trustees, Administration and the audience sang "*O Canada*" and also observed a moment of silence in recognition of those who lost their lives as a result of 9-11 tragedy in September 2001.

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

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

THAT the agenda of the Regular Board meeting be approved as presented.
CARRIED

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Trustee Attendance

Acting Chairperson Jefferson advised that Chairperson Masi would not be attending this evening's meeting as he is on holiday.

[2] DELEGATIONS

No items.

[3] ACTION ITEMS**(a) Adoption of Minutes of Regular Board Meeting Held 2008-06-26**

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

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Board meeting held 2008-06-26 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

(b) Continuing Education Site Name Changes

Peter Drescher, Deputy Superintendent, provided Trustees with information regarding the proposed site name changes.

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

THAT the Board approve the name Invergarry Adult Learning Centre be changed to Invergarry Adult Education Centre; and

THAT the Board approve the name Queen Elizabeth Adult Education be changed to Queen Elizabeth Adult Education Centre; and

THAT the Board approve the name Newton Continuing Education be changed to Newton Adult Education Centre; and

THAT the Board approve the elimination of the name BCIT Surrey Campus at the Newton location.

CARRIED

(c) SD36 Business Company – Election of Directors

Wayne Noye, Secretary-Treasurer, provided Trustees with information regarding the new reporting guidelines for all school district business companies.

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

THAT the Board of Education in preparation for the SD36BC AGM on 2008-09-30 and as the sole shareholder of School District No. 36 Business Company (SD36BC) elect the following individuals to serve as Directors for the SD36BC for the 2008/2009 business year:

- Joseph Leigh Anderson
- Wendall Laurence Chute
- Peter Benedikt Drescher
- David Jisun Kim
- Wayne Daunton Noye (Board representative)
- Gary Daniel Tymoschuk
- Michael Cassels Woodward.

CARRIED

[4] **INFORMATION AND PROPOSALS**

(a) Trustee Reports

Trustees reported on their activities since the last Board meeting.

(b) Progress Report – Active Capital Projects

Trustees received a progress report regarding active capital projects.

(c) Notice of Motion, Trustee S. Wilson, re: Declaration of November 5, 2008 – “Take Our Kids to Work” Day

Trustee Wilson presented a notice of motion to formally declare November 5, 2008 as “Take Our Kids to Work” Day in the school district. The matter will be brought back to the next meeting for consideration.

(d) Notice of Motion, Trustee S. Wilson, re: Stetson Bowl

Trustee Wilson presented a notice of motion proposing that Administration work with the City of Surrey to create a working group and conduct a feasibility study on potential costs and benefits associated with the renewal of and increased access to the Stetson Bowl for both school and community sporting activities. This matter will be brought to a future meeting for consideration.

(e) Vandalism Costs Report for 2007/2008 School Year

Wayne Noye, Secretary-Treasurer and Lance Nordling, Director, Physical Plant & Transportation Services, provided Trustees with a report on the vandalism costs throughout the district for the 2007/2008 school year.

Vandalism costs for the 2007/2008 school year included:

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| Graffiti: | \$162,338 | - reduced by 18% from previous year. |
| Glass: | \$189,058 | - reduced by 15% from previous year. |
| Other: | <u>\$519,826</u> | - increased by 21% from previous year. |
| Total: | \$871,224 | |

In the "Other" category the 21% increase can be directly attributed to the harvesting of metal components from school district buildings and site services for salvage value. While the material costs of the losses are limited, the labour for repairs is disproportionately high.

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

THAT the Board receive the 2007/2008 annual report on vandalism costs for information.

CARRIED

(f) Surrey Connect – Update

Glenn Galy, Principal; Jeff May, Vice Principal and James Hogan, Vice Principal, Surrey Connect provided Trustees with an update on Surrey Connect. Highlights included:

- Surrey Connect is a Distributed Learning school.
- The Ministry of Education's vision of Distributed Learning states: *"Distributed Learning in BC will be a quality, dynamic and engaging learning environment that all students in the province can access. It will not be limited by schedules, calendars, facilities or location."*
- Only school with grades K-12 in the district
- Deliver coursework online, text-based and f2f.
- Continuous entry/self-paced model.
- Open from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
- Has grown from 142 FTE students in 2003/2004 to 5,500 students (1155 FTE) in 2007/2008
- Built on 3 pillars of sustainability: Student Support Services, course quality and program integrity.
- Types of learners include: adult graduates, adult non-graduates, elite athletes, gifted, homeschoolers, musicians, timetable conflicts, traveling families, visual learners and upgrading.

(g) 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 Allen, seconded by Trustee Wilson:

THAT the Regular meeting of the Board be adjourned at 8:38 p.m.
CARRIED

W. Jefferson
Acting Chairperson

W. D. Noye
Secretary-Treasurer