

**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, JANUARY 29th, 2009 AT 7:30 P.M.**

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**IN ATTENDANCE**

**Trustees**

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

**Staff**

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

**Absent**

I. Chatha

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[1] **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson McNally 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:

Simon Ayres, Associate Director, Fiscal Management Services; Amy Kelly, Student, Semiahmoo Secondary; Kerry Magnus, Associate Director, Business Management Services; Angela Olson, Manager, International Students; Dave Paul, Assistant Superintendent; and Kara Warnock, Student, Fraser Heights Secondary.

(a) **"O Canada"**

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

(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 circulated.

**CARRIED**

- (c) Presentation: Kara and Matthew Warnock, Students, re: H2O (Hope 2 Others)

Kara Warnock, a student at Fraser Heights Secondary School, and Amy Kelly, a student at Semiahmoo Secondary School, presented a video and information on the H2O (Hope 2 Others) project. Matthew Warnock was not able to attend the meeting.

They founded Hope 2 Others, an organization that helps raise funds for water filtration projects in Africa and also supports initiatives to help the homeless and sustain the environment. One of these initiatives is the “Be the Change” Challenge that empowers young people to believe they can make a difference. H2O is committed to raising funds as well as awareness.

The process includes obtaining input from students and staff about what they’re interested in doing and what they’re passionate about. This input is used to create a project that highlights the students’ interests. Projects have been completed at Erma Stephenson Elementary and Dogwood Elementary. Students raised funds for water filtration projects and provided help to the homeless.

The H2O organization has two main goals:

- To raise awareness of global issues, particularly sustainability.
- To empower youth into action as they think globally and act locally.

Ms. Warnock requested the Board’s support for the H2O initiatives.

[2] **DELEGATIONS**

No items.

[3] **ACTION ITEMS**

- (a) Adoption of Minutes of Regular Board Meeting Held 2009-01-15

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

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Board meeting held 2009-01-15 be adopted as circulated.

**CARRIED**

(b) Statement of Operating Fund Expenditures – Six Months Ended 2008-12-31

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

THAT the Board accept the Statement of Operating Fund Expenditures for the six (6) months ended 2008-12-31 as presented.

CARRIED

(c) Interim Financial Report – Special Purpose Funds – Six Months Ended 2008-12-31

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

THAT the Board accept the Special Purpose Fund Schedules for the six (6) months ended 2008-12-31 as presented.

CARRIED

(d) International Students – Tuition Fees

Dave Paul, Assistant Superintendent and Angela Olson, Manager, International Education, provided Trustees with information regarding the International Students and the proposed tuition fees for 2009/2010.

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

THAT the Board approve the 2009/2010 tuition fees for international fee-paying students at \$12,800.00 (comprised of \$12,100 tuition + \$700.00 medical).

CARRIED

[4] **INFORMATION AND PROPOSALS**

(a) Trustee Reports

Trustees briefly reported on their activities since the last Board meeting.

Trustee Absence

Chairperson McNally advised that Trustee Chatha is out of the country dealing with a family emergency and will be absent for a few weeks.

(b) Notice of Motion, Trustee T. Allen, Re: Pending Closure of Fleetwood Elementary School

Trustee Allen provided Trustees with information regarding the pending closure of Fleetwood Elementary School and presented a Notice of Motion for information.

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

THAT the Board give formal consideration to the *Notice of Motion, Trustee T. Allen, Re: Pending Closure of Fleetwood Elementary School*, at the 2009-01-29 Regular meeting.

CARRIED

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

THAT WHEREAS the Board of Education of School District No. 36 Surrey) approved *Bylaw #141, re: Fleetwood Elementary – Site #026 – School Closure – 2009-06-30, on 2004-10-14; and*

WHEREAS *Bylaw #141* provides direction to close Fleetwood Elementary on 2009-06-30; and

WHEREAS the Board has always tried to protect its school communities; and

WHEREAS the closing of Fleetwood Elementary School will uproot the lives of students and their families; and

WHEREAS the closing of Fleetwood Elementary School will destroy that school community.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board direct Administration to prepare a bylaw to allow Fleetwood Elementary School – Site #026, scheduled to be closed 2009-06-30, to remain open.

DEFEATED (In Favour: Trustees Allen and Larsen)

(c) 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 Masi:

THAT the Regular meeting of the Board be adjourned at 8:11 p.m.  
**CARRIED**

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L. McNally  
Chairperson

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W. D. Noye  
Secretary-Treasurer