

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, MAY 14th, 2009 AT 7:30 P.M.

IN ATTENDANCE

Trustees

L. McNally, Chairperson
S. Wilson, Vice Chairperson (part)
T. Allen
I. Chatha
P. Glass
L. Larsen
R. Masi

Staff

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

[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; Mandip Kharod-Clark, Health Promotion Coordinator, Canadian Cancer Society of BC; Patti Dundas, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer; Natasha Raey, BC Healthy Living Alliance; Tina Munro, Senior Manager, Business Management Services; Umur Olcay, Manager, Facilities & Demographics Planning; Angela Smith, Administrative Secretary and Doug Strachan, Manager, Communication Services.

Attendance:

Chairperson McNally noted that Trustee Wilson was representing the Board at an event and would join the meeting later. Mike McKay, Superintendent, was out of the school district.

(a) **"O Canada"**

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

(b) Approval of Agenda of Regular Board Meeting

Trustee Allen requested that item 4(a) Trustee Reports be removed from the agenda; and all items be renumbered accordingly.

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

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

CARRIED

[2] **DELEGATIONS**

(a) Delegation: Deidre Goudriaan, Co-Chair, BC Healthy Communities, re: Surrey/White Rock Food Action Coalition

Natasha Raey, BC Healthy Living Alliance and Mandip Kharod-Clark, Health Promotion Coordinator, Canadian Cancer Society of BC, provided Trustees with information regarding the work of the Surrey/White Rock Food Action Coalition in the community, over the past four years. Ms. Goudriann, Co-Chair, BC Health Communities could not attend the meeting.

The Coalition's vision is that food policy be integrated into community decision-making in Surrey and White Rock, in order to enhance community food security.

The Coalition has three main goals:

1. Decreased hunger
2. Increased local food sustainability
3. Improved nutritional health.

The delegation is requesting the general support and endorsement from the Board for the Food Action Coalition's vision. Suggestions for District participation included:

- Work with the school district staff to develop a comprehensive food policy and a "tailored "Food Policy Toolkit".
- Participation of a Board representative (trustee or staff member) with the Surrey/White Rock Food Action Coalition.
- Support local food procurement.
- Support container gardening/community gardening projects at schools.

The Chairperson thanked the delegation for their presentation and advised that a formal response would be provided at the next Regular Board meeting.

[3] **ACTION ITEMS**

(a) Adoption of Minutes of Regular Board Meeting Held 2009-04-16

It was moved by Trustee Allen seconded by Trustee Chatha:

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Board meeting held 2009-04-16 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

(b) Statement of Operating Fund Expenditures – Nine Months Ended 2009-03-31

Wayne Noye, Secretary-Treasurer, provided Trustees with information on the Statement of Operating Fund Expenditures for the nine (9) months ended 2009-03-31.

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

THAT the Board accept the Statement of Operating Fund Expenditures for the nine (9) months ended 2009-03-31, as presented.

CARRIED

(c) Interim Financial Report – Special Purpose Funds – Nine Months Ended 2009-03-31

Wayne Noye, Secretary-Treasurer, provided Trustees with information on the Interim Financial Report for Special Purpose Funds for the nine months ended 2009-03-31.

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

THAT the Board accept the Special Purpose Fund Schedules for the nine (9) months ended 2009-03-31, as presented.

CARRIED

(d) Five Year Capital Plan 2009-2013

Trustee Chatha declared a pecuniary conflict of interest regarding item 3(d) *Five Year Capital Plan 2009-2013* and item 3(e) *Eligible School Sites Proposal – 2009-2013 Capital Plan*. Trustee Chatha left the meeting at 7:52 p.m.

Wayne Noye, Secretary-Treasurer, provided Trustees with information on the Five Year Capital Plan 2009-2013.

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

THAT the Board approve the Five Year Capital Plan – 2009-2013, as presented, for submission to the Ministry of Education.

CARRIED

(e) Eligible School Sites Proposal – 2009-2013 Capital Plan

Wayne Noye, Secretary-Treasurer, provided Trustees with information on the Eligible School Sites Proposal – 2009-2013 Capital Plan.

Trustee Wilson arrived to the meeting at 8:03 p.m.

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

THAT WHEREAS the Board of Education of School District No. 36 (Surrey) has consulted with the City of Surrey and the City of White Rock on these matters;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT based on information from local government, the Board of Education of School District No. 36 (Surrey) estimates that there will be 43,532 development units constructed in the school district over the next 10 years (Schedule 'A' – Table 1 & 2); and

THAT these 43,532 new development units will be home to an estimated 10,927 school age children (Schedule 'A' – Table 3); and

THAT the Board of Education expects 6 new school sites and 2 site expansions, over the ten-year period, will be required as a result of this growth in the school district and the site acquisitions will be located as presented in Schedule 'B'; and

THAT according to Ministry of Education site standards presented in Schedule 'B' the sites will require 22 hectares of land. These sites should be purchased within ten years and, at current serviced land costs, the land will cost approximately \$48.2 million; and

THAT the Eligible School Sites Proposal as adjusted be incorporated into the Five Year Capital Plan, 2009-2013, and submitted to the Ministry of Education.

CARRIED

Trustee Chatha returned to the meeting at 8:04 p.m.

(f) Carbon Reduction Initiatives

Wayne Noye, Secretary-Treasurer, provided Trustees with information on the Carbon Reduction Initiatives.

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

THAT the Board adopt the Carbon Neutral Action Report and submit a copy of the report to the Ministry of Education.

CARRIED

[4] **INFORMATION AND PROPOSALS**

(a) Proposed School Calendar Changes

Peter Drescher, Acting Superintendent provided Trustees with a verbal update on the proposed school calendar changes. He noted that the school district is about half way through a 30 day consultation process. The proposed school calendar changes have been raised with DPAC. Principals are speaking with their Parent Advisory Councils and School Planning Councils on the matter. The Human Resources Department is speaking with employee groups around impact to various employees. Information and community comments are being received through the school district's web site.

A full report on the proposed school calendar changes will be presented to the Board on 2009-05-28 May 28 for formal consideration.

(b) Progress Report – Active Capital Projects

Trustees received a progress report regarding active capital projects.

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

Peter Drescher, Acting Superintendent, provided Trustees with information regarding the changes to classes since the last reporting.

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

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.

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[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.

Pecuniary Interest

Under article 58 of the *School Act*, the following information about a Special (In-Camera) meeting is recorded:

A pecuniary interest was disclosed by Chairperson McNally, Trustee Allen and Trustee Larsen at the 2009-05-14 Special (In-Camera) meeting. Chairperson McNally and Trustees Allen and Larsen, subsequent to the disclosure, left the meeting.

[7] **ADJOURNMENT**

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

THAT the Regular meeting of the Board be adjourned at 8:15 p.m.
CARRIED

L. McNally
Chairperson

W. D. Noye
Secretary-Treasurer