



October 20, 2021

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of School District No. 63 (Saanich)

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of School District No. 63 (Saanich) was held virtually on Wednesday, October 20, 2021 at 7:00 pm.

ATTENDEES

- Chair: Tim Dunford
Vice-Chair: Elsie McMurphy
Trustee: Alicia Holman
Trustee: Victoria Martin
Trustee: Nola Silzer
Trustee: Sheila Stelck
Trustee: Teri VanWell
Superintendent of Schools: Dave Eberwein
Secretary Treasurer: Jason Reid
Assistant Superintendent: Paul McKenzie
Director of Instruction: Carly Hunter
Director of Instruction: Monica Braniff
Representative, COPACS: Monique Hiltz
Representative, CUPE: Nola Welsh
Representative, SAA: Anita Ko
Representative, STA: Michael MacEwan

1. CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME

Chair Dunford called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

Introduction

Chair Dunford welcomed members of the management team and partner group representatives to the regular Board meeting and acknowledged the territory of the WSANEC people since time immemorial. Representing COPACS – Monique Hiltz; representing CUPE – Nola Welsh; representing STA – Michael MacEwan; and representing School Administration – Anita Ko.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Adoption of Agenda

Chair Dunford reported that in the In Camera meeting the Board decided that the Food Security Support item would be included in the public meeting under the Superintendent’s report.

Moved by TRUSTEE VANWELL
That the agenda be adopted.

Seconded by TRUSTEE MCMURPHY

Chair Dunford asked if there were any late items or revisions to the agenda as circulated.

MOVEMENT TO AMEND:

Moved by TRUSTEE MARTIN

Seconded by TRUSTEE SILZER

That the agenda be amended to include a motion regarding the Strategic Plan, under Other Business as Submitted.

AMENDMENT CARRIED.

MOVEMENT TO AMEND:

**Moved by TRUSTEE STELCK**

**Seconded by TRUSTEE MARTIN**

That the agenda be amended to include Policy 18 (Recruitment & Selection of Personnel) under #12 Policy Development.

AMENDMENT CARRIED.

MAIN MOTION AS AMENDED CARRIED.

Report on In-Camera Meeting

Chair Dunford reported that prior to the Regular meeting, the Board held an In Camera meeting and discussed personnel matters, business affairs and facilities.

**3. ADOPTION OF BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

(i) Adoption of Board Meeting minutes of September 22, 2021.

Chair Dunford asked if there were any errors and omissions to the minutes of the meeting of September 22, 2021. Hearing none, the Chair declared the minutes be adopted as circulated.

**4. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES**

**5. PRESENTATIONS, DELEGATIONS & QUESTIONS**

(a) Presentations and Delegations:

(i) Children's Book Recycling Project, Daphne Macnaughton, Peninsula 1000x5

(ii) Seamless Childcare, David Fleming, CUPE National Servicing Representative

(iii) Masking Young Children Presentation, Judi Carroll, parent

(b) Questions:

**6. REPORT FROM THE CHAIR**

**7. REPORT FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS**

**8. SCHOOL SUCCESSES**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**9. EDUCATION DIRECTIONS COMMITTEE**

(i) Indigenous Education

**Moved by TRUSTEE VANWELL**

**Seconded by TRUSTEE SILZER**

That the December 8 Board Planning Day be dedicated in whole or part to the topic of Indigenous Education.

AMENDMENT:

**Moved by TRUSTEE MCMURPHY**

**Seconded by TRUSTEE STELCK**

That the December 8 Board planning day be dedicated in part to the topic of Indigenous Education.

DEFEATED.

MAIN MOTION:

That the December 8 Board Planning Day be dedicated in whole or part to the topic of Indigenous Education.

CARRIED.

**Moved by TRUSTEE HOLMAN**

**Seconded by TRUSTEE SILZER**

That the Board planning day be partially dedicated to the Board Evaluation discussion.

CARRIED.

**10. FINANCE, FACILITIES & TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE**

(i) Energy Presentation

**Moved by TRUSTEE MARTIN**

**Seconded by TRUSTEE VANWELL**

That the Board write a letter to the Minister of Education and the Minister of Environment & Climate Change Strategy, copying the BCSTA, regarding additional funding support needed to meet 2030 Clean BC targets.

CARRIED.

(ii) Final Enrolment & Funding

**Moved by TRUSTEE MARTIN**

**Seconded by TRUSTEE VANWELL**

That the Board approve allocation of unrestricted surplus of \$1,522,170 to the contingency reserve, and the allocation of funding growth to expenditure budgets as presented in attachment 2 (Net Funding Growth & Final Allocations for Amended Budget).

CARRIED.

**Moved by TRUSTEE MARTIN**

**Seconded by TRUSTEE VANWELL**

That the Board direct staff to develop a plan, informed by strategic planning consultations to allocate \$338,744 to support strategic priorities.

CARRIED.

(iii) White Road Funding Application

**Moved by TRUSTEE MARTIN**

**Seconded by TRUSTEE VANWELL**

That the Board approve submission of a funding application to the BC Childcare New Spaces Fund to develop a childcare and early learning program in partnership with Beacon Community Services, conditional on the project cost estimate being \$3,000,000 or less.

CARRIED.

**11. HUMAN RESOURCES**

(i) Staff COVID Vaccinations

**Moved by TRUSTEE SILZER**

**Seconded by TRUSTEE MCMURPHY**

That the Board express its support for COVID-19 vaccinations, in accordance with public health recommendations and encourage all employees and eligible students to avail themselves of the protection of the COVID-19 vaccine, for the health and well-being of all in School District 63.

CARRIED.

**12. POLICY DEVELOPMENT**

(i) Policy 18 (Recruitment & Selection of Personnel)

**Moved by TRUSTEE STELCK**

**Seconded by TRUSTEE MARTIN**

That the Board direct staff to make the following draft revisions for review by the Policy Committee in December,

In paragraphs 2.5 and 3.8 include the phrase "...within which a majority of trustees must be in agreement".

Trustee McMurphy requested that the motions be considered separately and Chair Dunford ruled that they be considered as two separate motions.

DEFEATED.

- (i) That in paragraphs 2.5 and 3.8 include the phrase "...within which a majority of trustees must be in agreement".

DEFEATED.

- (ii) Request staff to add a more detailed description of the steps for the selection and appointment of Senior Executive staff in Section 1.

CARRIED.

(ii) Correspondence

**Moved by TRUSTEE STELCK**

**Seconded by TRUSTEE HOLMAN**

That the Board direct staff to draft policy related to correspondence.

AMENDMENT:

**Moved by TRUSTEE HOLMAN**

**Seconded by TRUSTEE SILZER**

That draft policy related to correspondence be referred to the Policy Committee in the context of the Board Operations Policy Review.

Trustee McMurphy challenged the Chair as referral motion was out of order because it assumed that the Board wanted a correspondence policy of some sort, and that it remained to be decided.

MOTION TO SUSTAIN:

**Moved by TRUSTEE SILZER**

**Seconded by TRUSTEE HOLMAN**

Motion to sustain the Chair.

DEFEATED.

The Chair declared that the Chair is overruled and the motion to amend is not in order.

Point of Order:

Trustee Holman requested clarification in Robert's Rules around challenging the Chair. Chair Dunford ruled the process complied with Robert's Rules.

MAIN MOTION:

That the Board direct staff to draft a policy related to correspondence.

DEFEATED.

(iii) Review of Board Motions

**Moved by TRUSTEE STELCK**

**Seconded by TRUSTEE HOLMAN**

That the Board direct staff to draft policy related to recording and archiving Board meetings.

DEFEATED.

**13. REPORTS FROM TRUSTEE REPRESENTATIVES**

(i) BCSTA Provincial Council – T. VanWell

- Trustee Silzer attended the BCPSEA local bargaining training on September 23, 2021.
- Trustee Stelck attended the Memorial Park Society meeting at end of September and reported on Blue Heron Park trail maintenance and provided a Parkland Track update.

**14. CORRESPONDENCE**

- (i) Letter from Down Syndrome BC
- (ii) Letter from Town of Sidney

**15. QUESTION PERIOD**

No items.

**16. OTHER BUSINESS AS SUBMITTED**

- (i) Committee/Board Meeting Format 2021/22 School Year

**Moved by TRUSTEE SILZER**

**Seconded by TRUSTEE HOLMAN**

That the Board meetings, committee and planning meetings for trustees be in person at the Board Office with partners able to request virtual attendance.

DEFEATED.

**Moved by TRUSTEE MARTIN**

**Seconded by TRUSTEE HOLMAN**

That the Board meeting go past 11:00pm.

CARRIED. 2/3 MAJORITY.

AMENDMENT:

**Moved by TRUSTEE HOLMAN**

**Seconded by TRUSTEE VANWELL**

Amend the motion to add "subject to the Superintendent confirming an in person meeting is in accord with public health guidelines".

AMENDMENT DEFEATED.

MAIN MOTION DEFEATED.

**Moved by TRUSTEE MARTIN**

**Seconded by TRUSTEE STELCK**

That the Board continue to meet virtually until January 2022 at which time the Board will re-visit the decision.

AMENDMENT:

**Moved by TRUSTEE MCMURPHY**

**Seconded by TRUSTEE SILZER**

That the motion be amended to add "except for the Board Planning Day in December".

AMENDMENT CARRIED.

MAIN MOTION AS AMENDED:

That the Board continue to meet virtually until January 2022 at which time the Board will re-visit the decision except for the Board Planning Day in December.

CARRIED.

(ii) Strategic Plan:

**Moved by TRUSTEE MARTIN**

**Seconded by TRUSTEE HOLMAN**

Given the scheduling complexities for the recent School PAC consultations related to the Draft Strategic Plan due to the very short notice of some PAC meetings and the conflicts with two PAC meetings with this evening's board meeting, which has resulted in limited Trustee engagement in some of those consultations, the Board agrees to conduct additional consultations for PAC members who may wish to share with Trustees their critique of the present plan and ideas for the additional priorities

AMENDMENT:

**Moved by TRUSTEE MCMURPHY**

**Seconded by TRUSTEE STELCK**

That the preamble be deleted and the motion read:

That the Board agree to conduct additional consultations for PAC members who may wish to share with Trustees their critique of the present plan and ideas for the additional priorities.

Trustee Holman raised a Point of Order regarding Robert's Rules. The Chair ruled the Point of Order was not in order.

AMENDMENT CARRIED.

MAIN MOTION AS AMENDED CARRIED.

**17. FOR INFORMATION**


No items.

**18. ADJOURNMENT**

The Chair asked if there was any objection to adjourning the meeting. Hearing none, the Chair declared the meeting adjourned at 11:46pm.



Chair of the Board



Secretary Treasurer