



May 3, 2023

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

The Special Meeting of the Board of Education of School District No. 63 (Saanich) was held on Wednesday, May 3, 2023 at 6:00 pm.

ATTENDEES

Chair: Tim Dunford
Vice-Chair: Elsie McMurphy
Trustee: Keven Elder
Trustee: Susan Hickman
Trustee: Nola Silzer
Trustee: Joyce Vandall
Trustee: Teri VanWell
Superintendent of Schools: Dave Eberwein
Secretary Treasurer: Jason Reid
Assistant Superintendent: Paul McKenzie
Director of Instruction: Carly Hunter
Director of Instruction: Peter Westhaver
Representative, COPACS: regrets
Representative, CUPE: Nola Welsh, regrets
Representative, SAA: Aaron Buckham and Kal Russel
Representative, STA: Don Peterson

1. CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME

Chair Dunford called the Special Meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Introduction

Chair Dunford welcomed members of the partner groups, and management team representatives to the special meeting and acknowledged the territory of the WSANEC people since time immemorial. Representing STA – Don Peterson; representing CUPE – Nola Welsh and representing SAA – Aaron Buckham and Kal Russel.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

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Moved by TRUSTEE VANDALL

Seconded by TRUSTEE HICKMAN

That the agenda be adopted.

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

Moved by TRUSTEE MCMURPHY

Seconded by TRUSTEE HICKMAN

That the agenda be amended to include as item 4 discussion of in-camera matters related to the Parkland Track Project.

AMENDMENT CARRIED.

MOTION TO ADOPT AGENDA AS AMENDED. CARRIED.

3. PARKLAND TRACK

Moved by TRUSTEE SILZER

Seconded by TRUSTEE ELDER

That staff be directed to engage the contractor to complete phase 2 of the Parkland track replacement project.

CARRIED.

The Chair asked if there was any objection to recessing the public portion of the meeting. Hearing none, the Chair recessed the public portion of the meeting at 6:18pm.

The public portion of the meeting was reconvened at 6:50pm.

The Chair reported that the Board held an in-camera meeting, and the Board considered and passed the following motion: "That a letter be written to the District of North Saanich Mayor and Council regarding the deeply concerning comments about School District 63 made at the April 24, 2023 meeting of the North Saanich Council regarding the Parkland track project and the operation of the school district, and that the District of North Saanich Mayor and Council be requested to provide substantiating evidence regarding the concerns expressed, and join with the school district in a meeting to discuss a more positive path forward."

5. ADJOURNMENT

The Chair asked if there was any objection to adjourning the meeting. Hearing none, the Chair declared that the meeting was adjourned at 6:54pm.

Chair of the Board

Secretary-Treasurer