



September 18, 2024

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 on Wednesday, September 18, 2024 at 7:00 pm at 2125 Keating Cross Road.

ATTENDEES

- Chair: Tim Dunford
Vice-Chair: Nola Silzer
Trustee: Keven Elder
Trustee: Susan Hickman
Trustee: Elsie McMurphy
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: Tara Keeping
Representative, CUPE: Candace Whitney
Representative, SAA: Anita Ko
Representative, STA: Don Peterson
Director of Human Resources: Robyn Reid

1. CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME

Chair Dunford called the meeting to order at 7:02pm.

Introduction

Chair Dunford acknowledged the territory of the WSANEC people since time immemorial and welcomed members of the management team and partner group to the regular Board meeting. Representing STA – Don Peterson; representing SAA – Anita Ko, representing CUPE – Candace Whitney and representing COPACS – Tara Keeping.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Adoption of Agenda

Moved by TRUSTEE VANWELL

Seconded by TRUSTEE MCMURPHY

That the agenda be adopted.

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

- 4. Bike Lane Issue – Trustee McMurphy
13. Report from COPACS meeting – Trustee VanWell
Report from Memorial Park Society – Trustee Silzer

CARRIED AS AMENDED.

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 Regular Board Meeting minutes of June 19, 2024.

Chair Dunford asked if there were any errors and omissions to the minutes of June 19, 2024.

Hearing none, the Chair declared the minutes be adopted as circulated.

4. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES

Follow-up to letter to Municipalities re: Bike Lanes

5. PRESENTATIONS, DELEGATIONS & QUESTIONS

(a) Presentations and Delegations:

(b) Questions:

6. REPORT FROM THE CHAIR

7. REPORT FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Moved by TRUSTEE ELDER

Seconded by TRUSTEE MCMURPHY

That the Board express its appreciation to the members of the Saanich Equitable Access Team for their work in creating a District Accessibility Plan.

CARRIED.

8. SCHOOL SUCCESSES

COMMITTEE REPORTS

8. EDUCATION DIRECTIONS COMMITTEE

1. Enhancing Student Learning Report

Moved by TRUSTEE SILZER

Seconded by TRUSTEE VANDALL

That the Board approve the 2024/25 Enhancing Student Learning Report.

CARRIED.

10. FINANCE, FACILITIES & TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

1. 2023/24 Financial Statements

Moved by TRUSTEE ELDER

Seconded by TRUSTEE MCMURPHY

That the Board approve the internal restriction of accumulated operating surplus as presented in note 14 in the 2023/24 financial statements.

CARRIED.

Moved by TRUSTEE ELDER

Seconded by TRUSTEE MCMURPHY

That the Board approve transfer of \$120,353 from accumulated operating surplus to local capital, as presented in schedule 1 in the 2023/24 Financial Statements.

CARRIED.

Moved by TRUSTEE ELDER

Seconded by TRUSTEE MCMURPHY

That the Board approve the 2023/24 Financial Statements.

CARRIED.

Moved by TRUSTEE ELDER

Seconded by TRUSTEE MCMURPHY

That the Chair be authorized to attend, on behalf of the Board, local All Candidates Meetings to seek support for additional provincial funding for Saanich Schools.

CARRIED.

11. HUMAN RESOURCES (No Report)

12. POLICY DEVELOPMENT

2. Policy 9 (Board Operations) – Section 7 – Procedures for Delegations to Board

Moved by TRUSTEE VANWELL

Seconded by TRUSTEE MCMURPHY

That the Board confirm its consideration of the proposed amendments to Policy 9 (Board Operations).

CARRIED.

In accordance with Policy 6 (Policy Making & Review), if the Board confirms the consideration of the proposed amendments, the Policy Committee Chair will provide Notice of Motion at the November 27, 2024 public meeting of the Board of Education, the Policy Committee Chair will move the following motion:

That amendments to 9 (Board Operations) be approved.

13. REPORTS FROM TRUSTEE REPRESENTATIVES

- Trustee Hickman gave an update on the planning of the VISTA Conference being held in March 2025 in Oak Bay.
- Trustee VanWell reported on the recent COPACS meeting held September 12, 2024.
- Trustee Silzer reported on the Memorial Park Society meeting held September 17, 2024.

14. CORRESPONDENCE

- (i) Letter from Metis Nation British Columbia, July 22, 2024
- (ii) Letter from Cathy Peters, Sept 6, 2024

15. QUESTION PERIOD

No items.

16. OTHER BUSINESS AS SUBMITTED

Approval of Board Annual Work Plan

Moved by TRUSTEE MCMURPHY

Seconded by TRUSTEE HICKMAN

That the Board approve the Annual Work Plan.

Moved by TRUSTEE VANDALL

Seconded by TRUSTEE SILZER

That the Board Annual Work Plan be amended as follows:

- Add “represent Board at BCSTA VISTA Branch Meeting” to October and March and remove from Ongoing
- Add “attend BCSTA Annual General Meeting” – November
- Move “approve policy positions for submission to BCSTA Annual General Meeting” from April to January
- Add “Local Education Agreement” – Ongoing
- Add “Approval of School Plans” – June

AMENDMENT CARRIED.

MAIN MOTION AS AMENDED CARRIED.

17. FOR INFORMATION

18. ADJOURNMENT

The Chair asked if there was any objection to adjourning the meeting. Hearing none, the Chair declared the meeting adjourned at 8:27pm.

Chair of the Board

Secretary Treasurer