

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 36 (SURREY) HELD IN ROOM #2020 OF THE DISTRICT EDUCATION CENTRE ON THURSDAY, JANUARY 16<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at 7:00 P.M.**

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**IN ATTENDANCE**

**Trustees**

S. Wilson, Chairperson  
L. Larsen, Vice Chairperson  
T. Allen  
C. Dobie  
L. McNally  
R. Masi

**Staff**

J. Tinney, Superintendent  
W. Noye, Secretary-Treasurer  
R. Ryan, Deputy Superintendent  
  
K. Botsford, Executive Assistant

**Absent**

P. Glass

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[1] **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson Wilson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Chairperson Wilson acknowledged that this Board meeting is the first meeting with the new Superintendent, Dr. Jordan Tinney, and Deputy Superintendent, Rick Ryan.

**Presenters & Staff:**

In addition to the Table Officers named above, the following staff were in attendance at the meeting:

Steven Faraher-Amidon, Communities and Coal; Jennifer Janzen, Administrative Assistant; Kerry Magnus, Associate Director Business Management Services; Doug Strachan, Communications Manager; Paula Williams, Communities and Coal.

(a) **"O Canada"**

Trustees, Administration and the audience sang "O Canada", accompanied by a recording by Woodward Hill Elementary-French Immersion.

(b) **Approval of Agenda of Regular Board Meeting**

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

THAT the agenda of the Regular Board Meeting be approved as presented.

**CARRIED**

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**[2] DELEGATIONS**

Mr. Steven Faraher-Amidon and Ms. Paula Williams, representing Communities and Coal outlined the potential health concerns with the pending transportation of coal in the Surrey area. He stated that the provincial and regional health authorities, led by Dr. Paul van Buyneer of Fraser Health and Dr. Perry Kendal, provincial health, have called for the more thorough Health Impact Assessment, following international standards, which were not complied with under the Environmental Impact Assessment. He presented the Board with a letter from Fraser Health Authority raising this concern.

Approximately 30 Surrey Schools are within a 5 km range of the railway tracks.

Mr. Faraher-Amidon also presented the Board with maps highlighting the Surrey Schools within the range of the coal dust fallout. Copies of the letters from the Vancouver School Board, Delta School Board and the Richmond School Board all supporting Fraser Health's recommendation for a Health Impact Assessment were also provided.

Ms. Paula Williams provided details of the potential quantity of coal dust fallout if the trains are permitted to transport coal. She also pointed out that the The City of Surrey passed a resolution on October 28<sup>th</sup> saying they were not in support of the Fraser Surrey Docks proposal, and requested that Port Metro Vancouver conduct a comprehensive health impact assessment by an independent third party, as well as full public hearings.

Mr. Faraher-Amidon and Ms. Williams requested that the Surrey Board of Education join other municipalities and School Districts by passing a motion supporting the request from the Fraser Health Authority that Port Metro Vancouver conduct an independent comprehensive health impact assessment of the proposed Fraser Surrey Docks coal handling proposal prior to making a decision on the project.

Chairperson Wilson thanked the delegation and stated that the Board would get back to them.

**[3] ACTION ITEMS**

- (a) Adoption of Minutes of Regular Board Meeting Held 2013-12-12  
It was moved by Trustee Allen, seconded by Trustee Larsen:

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Board meeting held 2013-12-12 be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

- (b) Annual Review of Kilometrage Reimbursement Rate

It was moved by Trustee McNally, seconded by Trustee Dobie:

THAT the Board maintain the Kilometrage Reimbursement Rate at \$0.53 per km., effective 2014-02-01.

CARRIED

(c) Superintendent's Annual Report on Student Achievement

It was moved by Trustee Allen seconded by Trustee Dobie:

THAT the Board approve the *Superintendent's Annual Report on Student Achievement*; and

THAT the report be submitted to the ministry.

CARRIED

(d) Policy Development and Review Project – Completed Segments

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

THAT the Board approve the following revised policies and regulations:

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| (a) Policy #1050  | Mission Statement and Guiding Principles              |
| (b) Policy #2902  | Board Member Conflict of Interest                     |
| (c) Policy #4910  | School/Student Fundraising                            |
| (d) Policy #7210  | Workplace Discrimination or Bullying and Harassment   |
| (e) Reg. #7210.1  | Workplace Discrimination or Bullying and Harassment   |
| (f) Policy #10400 | Community Use of Facilities and Grounds Outside of    |
|                   | School Hours  |
| (g) Policy #10420 | Community Use of Facilities and Grounds During School |
|                   | Hours   |
| (h) Policy #10810 | School Fundraising By/For External Agencies           |

CARRIED

[4] **INFORMATION & PROPOSALS**(a) Trustee Reports

Trustees reported on their activities since the last Board meeting.

(b) Progress Report Active Capital Projects

Trustees received a progress report regarding active capital projects.

(c) Board Committees / Trustee Representation Appointments – 2014

Trustees received a list of the 2014 Board Committees/Trustee Representation Appointments for information.

(d) Incoming Correspondence

There were no correspondence items requiring Trustees' attention.

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[5] **FUTURE BUSINESS**

(a) Items for Future Discussion

The Trustees noted topics requiring discussion by the Board in the future, outlined 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 Dobie, seconded by Trustee Larsen:

THAT the Regular meeting of the Board be adjourned at 7:56 p.m.  
CARRIED