

Minutes Regular Board Meeting

Date:	January 14, 2016	
Time:	7:00 p.m.	
Location:	School District No. 36 (Surrey)	
	District Education Centre	
	Main Boardroom - Room #2020)
Present:	Shawn Wilson	Chairperson
	Laurie Larsen	Vice Chairperson
	Terry Allen	Trustee
	Bob Holmes	Trustee
	Laurae McNally	Trustee
	Garry Thind	Trustee
	Gary Tymoschuk	Trustee
Staff Present:	Dr. Jordan Tinney	Superintendent
	Wayne Noye	Secretary-Treasurer
	Rick Ryan	Deputy Superintendent
	Karen Botsford	Executive Assistant

1. Call to Order

Chairperson Wilson called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

Presenters & Staff:

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

Rick Breen, Principal Kwantlen Park Secondary; Patti Dundas, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer; Kerry Magnus, Associate Director, Business Management Services; Yrsa Jensen, Assistant Superintendent; Lynda Reeve, Assistant Superintendent; Doug Strachan, Manager, Communication Services; Pauline Veto, Teacher Kwantlen Park Secondary and students from Kwantlen Park Secondary, Inter-A Program: Elizabeth Peirce, Dylan Chohan, Cindy Zeng, Sheia Ursua.



a. <u>"O Canada" – recording by Surrey Music and Band Teachers</u>

Trustees, administration and the audience sang "O Canada" accompanied by a recording by the Surrey Music and Band Teachers.

Chairperson Wilson welcomed Yrsa Jensen, Assistant Superintendent and Lynda Reeve, Assistant Superintendent both new in their roles in the District.

b. Approval of Agenda of Regular Board Meeting

Moved by Trustee Terry Allen Seconded by Trustee Laurae McNally

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

c. <u>Presentation - Inter-A Students, Kwantlen Park Secondary; Ms. Veto, Teacher</u>

Kwantlen Park Secondary students from Inter-A introduced themselves to the Trustees. Dylan Chohan, Elizabeth Peirce, Cindy Zeng and Sheia Ursua all spoke about the Inter-A program and the core values of community service, cooperative learning and leadership. Students in the program are learning to become future leaders. Volunteer hours are expected which teaches the value of being an active citizen. They mentioned that opportunities for service are available in the school and in the community. Examples of community service that Inter-A students are involved in are: Surrey Urban Mission, Eco Club, Kinsmen Lodge, and the Red Cross Anti- bullying Club. Students attend seminars held by the Red Cross on anti-bullying and then share the information with elementary schools. Inter-A also has a Social Justice Club. Students participate in leadership opportunities from Grade 8 onward.

Cooperative learning and peer relationships are developed as the students are placed into Pods in Grade 8. Students have the same teachers for 5 years. This is a cohort style of education; bonds form with classmates and teachers. It is a positive, supportive learning environment. Inter-A students do well in English and Social Studies and often receive scholarships due to their academic standing and the service component of the program.

The students spoke about the family environment and how valuable it is when everyone knows one another and students are able to be themselves. From Grade 8 to 12 all students know one another and peers tutor younger students. Inter-A students also integrate into Kwantlen Secondary's clubs participating in



school events with students outside the Inter-A program.

Chairperson Wilson thanked the group for coming and for their presentation and also thanked the teachers of the program and administration.

Trustee Larsen commented on the social aspect of the program and the community work. She spoke about being the Trustee on the Inter-A Advisory committee and the fact that she values the development of the whole student.

Trustee Holmes thanked students staff and administration and mentioned that he had experience with Inter-A when he was president of DPAC.

Trustee Allen commended the students on their poise and public speaking skills. He also thanked the teaching staff for their dedication to the program and for bringing the students to the Board meeting.

Gary Thind expressed his appreciation for the students' communication skills.

Chairperson Wilson mentioned that the Board is very encouraged when they hear and see students who are becoming leaders in schools, in the community as well as environmental stewards. These are all important aspects in the development of citizenship as students move into adulthood.

2. Delegation

No items.

3. Action Items

a. Adoption of Minutes of Regular Board Meeting Held 2015-12-10

Moved by Trustee Terry Allen Seconded by Trustee Gary Tymoschuk

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Board meeting held 2015-12-10 be approved as circulated.

CARRIED



b. <u>Annual Review of Kilometrage Reimbursement Rate</u>

Moved by Trustee Terry Allen Seconded by Trustee Gary Tymoschuk

THAT the Board maintain the Kilometrage Reimbursement Rate at \$0.54 per km., effective 2016-02-01.

CARRIED

c. <u>Recommended Architect Appointments (to be distributed)</u>

Moved by Trustee Laurae McNally Seconded by Trustee Garry Thind

THAT the firm of ThinkSpace Architecture be appointed Project Architect and the Board's signing officers be authorized to execute client/architect agreements with the firm for a proposed new school at Clayton Village NE Elementary (Site 184); and

THAT the firm of Craven Huston Powers Architects be appointed Project Architect and the Board's signing officers be authorized to execute client/architect agreements with the firm for a proposed new school at Clayton Village North West Elementary (Site 218).

CARRIED

4. Information & Proposals

a. <u>Trustee Reports</u>

Chairperson Wilson reported on Trustee activities since the last Board meeting. A copy of the report is on the website.

b. <u>Progress Report Active Capital Projects</u>

Trustees received a progress report regarding active capital projects.

c. Board Committees/Trustee Representation Appointments - 2016

Moved by Trustee Gary Tymoschuk Seconded by Trustee Bob Holmes



THAT the Board receive this report for information.

CARRIED

d. <u>Update on Delegations (verbal)</u>

Mr. Noye updated the Board regarding the Surrey 2016 Organizing Committee for the Women's World Softball Championship delegation and their request. Staff continue to work with the group.

The STA Heritage Committee met with Mr. Noye on January 5th. The group has been given a room in DEC to do their work and to store historical materials.

e. <u>Update on Syrian Refugees</u>

The Board received an update on the Syrian Refugees. Dr. Tinney provided a written and verbal report. Below is a copy of the written report:

In a recent conference call with Immigration and Settlement Services and the Ministry of Education, we were informed that the Province has welcomed 411 Government Assisted Refugees (GAR) to date with 78 more scheduled to arrive in the very near future. Currently in temporary housing, these new refugees will be moving to permanent locations throughout the metro region. Despite prior indications that refugees will be placed throughout BC, it was reported that there are no plans to place GARs outside of the Metro Vancouver area.

Surrey, Vancouver, Coquitlam, Burnaby, and other core metro school districts will receive the vast majority of refugees.

An additional 1,959 refugees are currently profiled and will be arriving by the end of February, followed by another group in March or April. The Province is expecting that we will reach a target of 3,500 GARs, in addition to the annual calendar target of 900.

In an early analysis of the already landed refugees, some important demographics are emerging:

- \cdot 60% of the people are under 18,
- \cdot the average family size is 5.2, and

 \cdot 23% of the 411 are expected to be school-aged children, which is larger than anticipated.

School districts are working closely with the Ministry and with Immigration and Settlement Services. One of the main concerns is that the timing of arrival of the



refugee children will be after the February 1701 student enrolment count. While we believe resources will be available, there needs to be a funding mechanism outside of the 1701 process.

We will continue to provide information as available and we will continue to work closely with provincial agencies as more becomes clear about the specific numbers of refugees who will arrive to Surrey and where they will locate.

f. <u>Administrative Announcement/Update (verbal)</u>

Dr. Tinney announced that Wayne Noye, Secretary-Treasurer, who has served the district for 19 years, the past 10 as Secretary-Treasurer, will be retiring June 30, 2016. He commended Mr. Noye for his service to the District and noted that there are still many months left before Mr. Noye leaves the District. Chairperson Wilson noted that the Board has worked closely with Mr. Noye over the years and indicated that there were a number of Trustees who wanted to acknowledge Mr. Noye.

Trustee McNally commented on the fact that Mr. Noye has gone through a metamorphosis over the past 10 years. A man who has always shied away from public speaking has become more vocal. She has appreciated the support the Board has had from him and the fact that he is very strategic. She also commented that he is not just a 'bean counter' but also an empathetic man and the District has been lucky to have him.

Trustee Tymoschuk mentioned that Mr. Noye and he go way back to when he was first hired and Trustee Tymoschuk was in his first term as a Trustee. He too has seen a transformation and growth. He offered his congratulations and gratitude for the work Mr. Noye has done guiding the District.

Trustee Holmes commented that he hasn't had as much experience with Mr. Noye and that he mostly interacted with Mr. Noye when he served on DPAC. He acknowledged that there will be a huge hole in the district with Mr. Noye retiring and offered his thanks.

Trustee Allen, mentioned that as Budget Committee Chair, he has worked alongside Mr. Noye for years. Trustee Allen commented on what a difficult job it is to face the challenges the District has with lack of funding. Providing a balanced budget year after year has been difficult. Mr. Noye has always found a way to ensure that the District has not had to face dramatic shortages/layoffs etc. and for that the Board is very grateful. He commented on the fact that Mr. Noye is always looking ahead and is visionary. He has moved the District forward and the



District Education Centre and the Recreation and Education Centre are part of Mr. Noye's legacy. As well, Mr. Noye has been a tireless advocate for more classroom space, and new schools. He has guided the Board well and the Board cannot thank him enough.

Trustee Larsen expressed that on a personal level, Mr. Noye helped her immensely when she was a new Trustee. He guided her through the nuances of being a new Trustee. Aspects like conflict of interest and confidentiality, especially as she was also involved with the union. She expressed her appreciation for all he has done and commented that he will be hard to replace.

Trustee Thind expressed his thanks and congratulations.

Chairperson Wilson indicated that he has worked with Mr. Noye for 16 years. As Chairperson for most of those years, Mr. Wilson expressed his appreciation for the professional competence of the Secretary-Treasurer and his departments. He commented that the success of the District depends on a solid financial foundation. Over the years, Mr. Noye has ensured that the Board has the resources to provide students with the best education possible. Mr. Noye has provided excellent service to the Board. Chairperson Wilson closed by offering his personal congratulations to Mr. Noye on his upcoming retirement.

Mr. Noye's thanked the Board for their comments. He promised not to come back as a Trustee, a MLA, MP or an MOE consultant, but indicated that he will visit. In closing he said that it has been an honour to serve the Board past and present and that the District is fortunate to have such a cohesive Board who puts the students at the center of their work.

5. Future Business

a. <u>Items for Future Discussion</u>

No items.

b. <u>Future Meetings</u>

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

Moved by Trustee Laurae McNally Seconded by Trustee Terry Allen

THAT the Regular meeting of the Board be adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

CARRIED

Shawn Wilson Chairperson Wayne Noye Secretary-Treasurer

BOARD OF EDUCATION of SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 36 (SURREY)

REPORT OF SPECIAL (IN-CAMERA) BOARD MEETING

2015-11-23 MEETING

Trustees Present:

S. Wilson, Chairperson L. Larsen, Vice Chairperson T. Allen B. Holmes L. McNally G. Thind G. Tymoschuk

Decisions Made by the Board Included:

1. Personnel Matter



Public Record

In-Camera Board Meeting

Date: December 10, 2015

Trustees Present:	Shawn Wilson	Chairperson
	Laurie Larsen	Vice Chairperson
	Terry Allen	Trustee
	Laurae McNally	Trustee
	Garry Thind	Trustee
	Gary Tymoschuk	Trustee

Decisions Made by the Board Included:

- 1. Approval of Minutes of In-Camera Meetings held 2015-11-12 and 2015-11-30
- 2. Approval of Public Records of In-Camera Meetings held 2015-11-12 and 2015-11-30
- 3. Personnel Matters

Matters Discussed by the Board Included:

- 1. Property Matter
- 2. Education Services Students Requiring Special Placements
- 3. Personnel Matters



Public Record

Special In-Camera Board Meeting

Date: December 10, 2015

Trustees Present:	Shawn Wilson	Chairperson
	Laurie Larsen	Vice Chairperson
	Terry Allen	Trustee
	Bob Holmes	Trustee
	Laurae McNally	Trustee
	Garry Thind	Trustee
	Gary Tymoschuk	Trustee

Decisions Made by the Board Included:

1. Personnel Matter

Matters Discussed by the Board Included:

1. Personnel Matters



Public Record

Special In-Camera Board Meeting

Date: December 15, 2015

Trustees Present:	Shawn Wilson	Chairperson
	Terry Allen	Trustee
	Garry Thind	Trustee
	Gary Tymoschuk	Trustee

Decisions Made by the Board Included:

1. Teacher Disciplinary Matter



Public Record

Special In-Camera Board Meeting

Date: December 16, 2015

Shawn Wilson	Chairperson
Terry Allen	Trustee
Bob Holmes	Trustee
Garry Thind	Trustee
Gary Tymoschuk	Trustee
	Terry Allen Bob Holmes Garry Thind

Decisions Made by the Board Included:

1. Teacher Disciplinary Matters



Public Record

Special In-Camera Board Meeting

Date: January 11, 2016

Trustees Present:	Shawn Wilson	Chairperson
	Laurie Larsen	Vice Chairperson
	Terry Allen	Trustee
	Laurae McNally	Trustee
	Bob Holmes	Trustee
	Garry Thind	Trustee
	Gary Tymoschuk	Trustee

Decisions Made by the Board Included:

1. Property Matters