

# MINUTES OF THE REGULAR OPEN MEETING OF THE NEW WESTMINSTER BOARD OF EDUCATION

# Tuesday, November 27, 2018, 7:30 PM School Board Office 811 Ontario Street, New Westminster

**PRESENT** Anita Ansari, Vice Chair

Karim Hachlaf, Superintendent Kim Morris, Secretary-Treasurer

Dee Beattie, Trustee Danielle Connelly, Trustee Gurveen Dhaliwal, Trustee

Maryam Naser, Associate Superintendent Robert Weston, Director of Human Resources Caroline Manders, Recording Secretary

Mark Gifford, Chair Maya Russell, Trustee

Mary Lalji, Trustee (via telephone)

The New Westminster School District recognizes and acknowledges the Qayqayt First Nations, as well as all Coast Salish peoples, on whose traditional and unceded territories we live, we learn, we play and we do our work.

## 1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Added Item: 6d. Audit RFP Services

2018-133

Moved and Seconded

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 40 (New Westminster) adopt the agenda as amended for the November 27, 2018 Regular School Board meeting.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

#### 2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

- a. Approval of the Minutes from the October 30, 2018 Regular Meeting
- b. Approval of the Minutes from the November 6, 2018 Inaugural Meeting

2018-134

Moved and Seconded

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 40 (New Westminster) approve the minutes from the October 30, 2018 Regular School Board meeting and November 6, 2018 Inaugural Meeting.

c. Business Arising from the Minutes

Nil.

## 3. COMMENT & QUESTION PERIOD FROM VISITORS

Chair Gifford introduced audience members Eric Young, NWTU, Holly Nathan, Communications Coordinator and Cayley Dobie, reporter at New Westminster Record.

#### 4. CORRESPONDENCE

a. Invitation from Peter Julian, MP & Judy Darcy, MLA - Annual Christmas Open House

#### 5. **BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- Combined Education and Operations Policy & Planning Committee, November 13, 2018
  - i. Comments from the Committee Chair, Trustee Gifford Nil.
  - ii. Approval of the November 13, 2018 Combined Education and Operations Policy & Planning Committee Minutes

2018-135

Moved and Seconded

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 40 (New Westminster) approve the minutes from the November 13, 2018 Combined Education and Operations Policy & Planning Committee meeting.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

iii. 2019-2020 Budget Process

Secretary-Treasurer Morris, briefly reviewed the budget process document.

2018-136

**Moved and Seconded** 

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 40 (New Westminster) approve the 2019-2020 Budget Process as presented.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

iv. Traffic Safety - Queensborough

An amendment to the recommendation was requested to recognize that traffic safety is a district-wide initiative.

# AMENDED MOTION Moved and Seconded

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 40 (New Westminster) direct staff to approach the City of New Westminster, and to write a letter on behalf of the Board, regarding the traffic concerns within the District, especially Queensborough neighbourhood, and to report back to the Board at the December 4, 2018 Combined Education and Operations Committee meeting. about various options to resolve the traffic issues around Queensborough Middle and Queen Elizabeth Elementary School to secure the traffic safety for students.

**DEFEATED** 

# 2017-137 Moved and Seconded

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 40 (New Westminster) direct staff to approach the City of New Westminster, and to write a letter on behalf of the Board, regarding the traffic concerns within the District, especially Queensborough neighbourhood, and to report back to the Board at the December 4, 2018 Combined Education and Operations Committee meeting about various options to resolve the traffic issues around Queensborough Middle and Queen Elizabeth Elementary School to secure the traffic safety for students.

#### **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## v. Required Courses for Post-Secondary Eligibility

Associate Superintendent Naser indicated that a report could be generated and be available for an update at the December 4, 2018 Combined Education and Operations Policy & Planning Committee meeting.

## 2018-138 Moved and Seconded

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 40 (New Westminster) receive a report from staff for the December 4, 2018 Combined Education & Operations Committee meeting outlining the extent of the shortage of required courses of Post-Secondary education eligibility and make any changes as needed so that New Westminster Secondary School (NWSS) students can meet their graduation requirements by taking NWSS courses.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

#### 6. REPORTS FROM SENIOR MANAGEMENT

#### a. Superintendent Report

Superintendent Hachlaf showed a PowerPoint presentation highlighting some of the District activities he attended in November:

- School Visits included Home Learners at Hume Park; Richard McBride Elementary; F.W. Howay Elementary; Queensborough.
- Remembrance Day No Stone Left Alone Ceremony at Richard McBride Elementary.
- NWSS A \$5K Grant Games for Everyone, Best Buddies program to connect with those with diverse learning needs. Expand friendship opportunities by creating a space that encouraged inclusivity and acceptance. The Grant will be used on new technology, furnishing and games.
- Innovation Grants Annual proposal where schools present a collaborative approach to allocating which projects will be supported.
- Hyack Football final game is 7pm on Saturday, December 1, 2018.
- Discovery Education Canada Superintendent & Associate Superintendent toured Ontario schools where this software is already being used.
- Montessori Parent Night Registration will start in 2019.
- Maker Day at Qayqayt.

- New Media Gallery & Learning Lab with principals & vice principals Vice-Principal Leadership Development.
- Board of Education
  - Inaugural meeting
  - Trustee Orientation

#### b. Bank Signing Authority

Secretary-Treasurer Morris explained that whenever a Chair, Vice Chair or Superintendent change, the signatories must be updated accordingly.

#### 2018-139

**Moved and Seconded** 

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 40 (New Westminster)'s bank signing authorities Mark Gifford, Chair, Anita Ansari, Vice Chair, Karim Hachlaf, Superintendent, and Kim Morris, Secretary-Treasurer be approved;

AND FURTHER that effective immediately, bank signing authority Kelly Slade-Kerr, former Vice Chair, be removed.

#### **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## c. Expanding Child Care

Trustees Beattie, Connelly, Dhaliwal, Gifford, Russell and Superintendent Hachlaf attended the Burnaby/New Westminster Child Care Roundtable on Friday, November 23.

d. Audit Services 2018-2019 to 2020-2021

#### 2018-140

Moved and Seconded

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 40 (New Westminster) award the contract for year-end audit services for 2018-2019, 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 to KPMG, LLP.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

#### 7. NEW BUSINESS

a. Review Trustee Assignments to Committees & School Liaison & Programs

2018-141

**Moved and Seconded** 

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 40 (New Westminster) approve the Trustee Assignments, School Liaison and Programs as presented.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

## 8. TRUSTEE REPORTS

The Trustees shared their reports of the various events they attended in November.

## 9. QUESTION PERIOD (15 Minutes)

The public was given the opportunity to ask questions on matters that arose during the meeting.

## 10. NOTICE OF MEETINGS

December 4, 2018: Combined Education and Operations Policy & Planning Committee Meeting, 7:30pm – School Board Office

December 11, 2018: School Board Meeting, 7:30pm - School Board Office

## 11. REPORTING OUT FROM IN-CAMERA BOARD MEETING

- a. Record of In-Camera October 30, 2018 Board Meeting
- b. Record of Special In-Camera November 13, 2018 Board Meeting
- c. In-Camera Operations Policy & Planning Committee, November 13, 2018
  - i. Five-Year Capital Plan

2018-142 Moved and Seconded

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 40 (New Westminster) approve the amended 2019-2020 5-year Capital Plan.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

## 12. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

The meeting	adjourn a	at 9:17pm
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Chair	
Secretary-Treasurer	