



MINUTES OF THE COMBINED EDUCATION AND
OPERATIONS POLICY & PLANNING COMMITTEE
HELD TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2016 AT 7:40 PM
SCHOOL BOARD OFFICE, 800 ONTARIO STREET

PRESENT: Ms. J. Campbell, Trustee
Mr. C. Cook, Trustee
Mr. M. Ewen, Trustee
Mr. M. Gifford, Ed Committee Chair
Mr. J. Janzen, Ops Committee Chair
Ms. M. Lalji, Trustee
Ms. K. Slade-Kerr, Board Vice Chair
Mr. K. Lorenz, Secretary Treasurer
Ms. J. Grant, Associate Superintendent
Ms. B. Basden, Recording Secretary

Trustee Gifford recognized and acknowledged the Qayqayt First Nations, as well as the 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

Moved and Seconded:

THAT the agenda for the November 1, 2016 Combined Education and Operations Policy and Planning Committee meeting be as adopted as presented.

Carried Unanimously.

2. MAY DAY TASK FORCE

Associate Janet Grant, Associate Superintendent, provide an update on the May Day Task Force that was commissioned to review the District's annual celebration of May Day. A draft survey and extended timeline was included to allow for a broader consultation period.

Moved and Seconded:

THAT the Combined Committee recommend to the Board of Education of School District No. 40 (New Westminister) that the deadline for the May Day Task Force to report back to the Board, be extended to June 2017; AND THAT in the meantime, the District's annual celebration of May Day remains status quo for 2017.

Motion Amended.

Moved and Seconded:

THAT the Committee amend the motion to extend the deadline for the May Day Task Force to report back to the board, to June 2017; AND THAT in the meantime, the District's annual celebration of May Day remains status quo for 2017, by adding "AND THAT the report be sent to City Council for comment".

Motion Defeated.

Moved and Seconded:

THAT the Committee amend the motion to extend the deadline for the May Day Task Force to report back to the board, to June 2017; AND THAT in the meantime, the District's annual celebration of May Day remains status quo for 2017, by adding "AND THAT the Task Force be directed to observe the timelines as presented".

Motion Defeated.

Main Motion:

THAT the Combined Committee recommend to the Board of Education of School District No. 40 (New Westminster) that the deadline for the May Day Task Force to report back to the Board be extended to June 2017; AND THAT in the meantime, the District's annual celebration of May Day remains status quo for 2017.

Carried.

The Committee agreed that a meeting between the Board and City Council be scheduled as soon as possible and that May Day be an item on the meeting agenda.

3. FINANCIAL UPDATE

a) Monthly Financial Update

The Committee received the Operating Fund – Year to Date Expense and Revenue to Budget Summary for the period ending September, 2016.

4. MAINTENANCE & CAPITAL PROJECT UPDATE

The Board received the Maintenance and Capital Projects update for the month ending October 2016.

5. QUEENSBOROUGH BUSING

The Board received a quote for one-way busing service to/from Queensborough and the New Westminster Secondary School. In response to Trustee enquiries with respect to transportation funding, a copy of the Operating Grant Manual was provided for information.

Moved and Seconded:

THAT the Combined Committee recommend to the Board of Education for School District No. 40 (New Westminster) that staff be directed to inquire as to how many students would take a bus from Queensborough to New Westminster Secondary School if the service was available to them.

Motion Tabled.

Moved and Seconded:

THAT the Combined Committee table the motion recommending that the Board direct staff to inquire as to how many students would take a bus from Queensborough to New Westminster Secondary School if the service was available to them, until after the November 8th Strategic Planning session.

Carried.

6. **DRAFT BOARD POLICY HANDBOOK**

The draft Board Policy Handbook was brought back to the committee following a consultation period for review and input. It was agreed that a special committee meeting would be held on Tuesday, November 22nd, for review and possible recommendation to the Board of Education.

7. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 9: 06 p.m.