



MINUTES OF THE **REGULAR MEETING OF THE
NEW WESTMINSTER BOARD OF EDUCATION**
HELD **TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2016** AT 7:30 P.M.
SCHOOL BOARD OFFICE, 800 ONTARIO STREET

PRESENT: Mr. C. Cook, Trustee
Mr. M. Ewen, Trustee
Mr. M. Gifford, Vice Chair
Mr. J. Janzen, Trustee
Ms. K. Slade-Kerr, Chair

Mr. P. Duncan, Superintendent of Schools
Mr. K. Lorenz, Secretary Treasurer
Ms. J. Grant, Associate Superintendent
Mr. C. Nicholson, Director of Instruction
Ms. B. Basden, Recording Secretary

REGRETS: Trustees Campbell and Lalji

Chair Slade-Kerr 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:

2016-188

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 40 (New Westminister) adopt the agenda for the December 13, 2016 Regular School Board meeting as presented.

Carried Unanimously.

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

a) Board Meeting Minutes for Approval:

Moved and Seconded:

2016-189

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 40 (New Westminister) approve the minutes from the November 29, 2016 Regular Board meeting.

Carried Unanimously.

b) Business Arising from the Minutes

There was no business arising from the minutes.

3. DISTRICT PRESENTATIONS

a) Richard McBride Choir: High Notes

The Board enjoyed a performance from the Richard McBride Elementary School Choir, the High Notes, who sang a selection of Christmas carols. The choir was directed by Music Teacher, Shannon Lange and Primary Teacher, Nancy Shamley; and accompanied by David Durning on guitar and his daughter, Ella on the violin.

4. COMMUNITY PRESENTATIONS

There were no community presentations.

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6. ANNUAL BOARD REPORT

Chair Slade-Kerr provided the Annual Board Report for the 2016 calendar year.

Moved and Seconded:

2016-190

THAT the Board of Education for School District No. 40 (New Westminster) accept the Chair's Annual Report for the year 2016.

Carried Unanimously.

7. VISITORS

The visitors were welcomed and provided the opportunity to address the Board.

8. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

a) Combined Education and Operations Policy & Planning Committee

- i. Committee Chair, Mark Gifford, provided an update from the Combined Education Policy and Planning Committee meeting held December 6, 2016.
- ii. Approval of the December 6, 2016 Combined Education and Operations Policy and Planning Committee Minutes.

Moved and Seconded:

2016-191

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 40 (New Westminster) approve the minutes from the December 6, 2016 Combined Education and Operations Policy and Planning Committee meeting as presented.

Carried Unanimously.

b) Queensborough Busing

Moved and Seconded:

2016-192

THAT the Board of Education for School District No. 40 (New Westminster) direct staff, in consultation with relevant stakeholder groups, to develop a transportation survey for Queensborough to better understand transit challenges and potential solutions for students traveling to New Westminster Secondary School from Queensborough.

Carried Unanimously.

9. REPORTS FROM SENIOR MANAGEMENT

a) SOFI Report

The Board received a copy of the School District Statement of Financial Information (SOFI) Report for the year ended June 30, 2016.

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Moved and Seconded:

2016-193

THAT the Board of Education for School District No. 40 (New Westminster) approve the SOFI Report for the year ended June 30, 2016.

Carried Unanimously.

10. OTHER BUSINESS

a) *Field Trip Request: NWSS Japan Trip 2017*

Moved and Seconded:

2016-194

THAT the Board of Education for School District No. 40 (New Westminster) approve the Field Trip Request for NWSS Grade 9 – 12 students to travel to Wenzhou, Beijing and Shanghai, March or April 2017.

Carried Unanimously.

11. TRUSTEE REPORTS

Trustees spoke to the various meetings and events they attended over the past month.

12. QUESTION PERIOD

Members of the public were provided the opportunity to ask questions of the Board.

13. NOTICE OF MEETINGS

January 3, 2017: Strategic Direction Setting, 7:00 pm
January 10, 2017: Education Policy & Planning Committee, 7:30 pm
January 17, 2017: Operations Policy & Planning Committee, 7:30 pm
January 31, 2017: School board Meeting, 7:30 pm

14. REPORTING OUT FROM IN-CAMERA MEETING

There was nothing to report out from the December 13, 2016 In-Camera Board meeting.

15. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting be adjourned at 8:35 pm

Chairperson

Secretary Treasurer