

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 36 (SURREY) HELD IN ROOM #2020 AT THE DISTRICT EDUCATION CENTRE ON THURSDAY, MAY 9<sup>th</sup>, 2013 AT 7:00 P.M.**

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**IN ATTENDANCE**

**Trustees**

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

**Staff**

M. McKay, Superintendent  
W. Noye, Secretary-Treasurer  
J. Tinney, Deputy Superintendent  
L. McCuaig, Executive Assistant

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[1] **CALL TO ORDER**

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

**Presenters & Staff:**

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

Simon Ayres, Associate Director, Fiscal Management Services; Jennifer Callaghan, Energy Ambassadors Program Coordinator, BC Hydro School Programs; Lara Condella, Law Enforcement Preparatory program Instructor; Susan Chow, Principal, Career Education; Patti Dundas, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer; Anita Huberman, CEO, Surrey Board of Trade; Alasdair MacKinnon, Director, Energy Management Services; Kerry Magnus, Associate Director, Business Management Services, and Doug Strachan, Manager, Communication Services.

(b) **"O Canada"**

Trustees, Administration and the audience sang "O Canada".

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

It was requested that item 4(a) *Trustee Reports*, be removed from the agenda.

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

THAT the agenda of the Regular Board meeting be approved as amended.

**CARRIED**

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(d) Presentation: Secondary School Apprenticeship

Susan Chow, Principal, Career Education, provided Trustees with information regarding the Secondary School Apprenticeship Program.

The Secondary School Apprenticeship (SSA) is a career program that provides students with the opportunity to begin an apprenticeship while still in high school and to earn high school credits for doing so. It provides a smoother transition from school to work and a quicker route to certification in a trade. SSA students complete up to 480 hours of work experience that counts towards their apprenticeship and course credits. SSA youth apprentices must be 19 and under and complete their SSA work based training by 3 months past graduation.

To qualify for the Secondary School Apprenticeship Scholarships (value of \$1,000) must have:

- Been registered in the program in the school district prior to graduation;
- Graduated with a Grade 12 Dogwood Diploma or Adult Dogwood
- Successfully completed specific SSA courses
- Maintained a C+ average or better on Grade 12 level courses
- Continued working or training full-time in the trade 5 months after graduation or have 1100 hours report to the Industry Training Authority.

Thirty-five (35) SSA students were awarded a \$1,000 scholarship; however not all of them were able to attend the meeting this evening.

Chairperson Wilson, Trustee Allen, Dave Paul, Assistant Superintendent, formally presented the Secondary School Apprenticeship students with a scholarship.

A Bursary Award was also presented to a Buffy-Anne Troy, a student at Kwantlen Park Secondary in the Law Enforcement Preparatory Program. Lara Condella, LEPP Instructor, Chairperson Wilson and Dave Paul, Assistant Superintendent, formally presented the bursary to Buffy-Anne's mother on her behalf. Buffy-Anne was celebrating her high school graduation and was not able to attend the meeting.

(d) Presentation: Student Ambassadors, Energy Conservation and Sustainability

Alasdair MacKinnon, Director, Energy Management & Sustainability, and Jennifer Callaghan, Energy Ambassadors Program Coordinator, BC Hydro

School Programs, provided Trustees with information regarding the Student Ambassadors program and the energy conservation activities

Students from 12 secondary schools in the district participated in the Student Ambassadors Program and provided Trustees with information on their activities. Highlights included:

- Gathered information about energy use and conservation in schools
- Participated in Green Teams and energy conservation clubs
- Visited elementary schools and promoted energy conservation
- Organized an Earth Day Festival and various Energy Conservation Week activities

The students are promoting the replacement of school hand dryers with a more efficient model. They are also asking all schools and/or administration to:

- practice conservation
- become waste free
- implement efficient washrooms
- convert to water bottle friendly fountains
- install lighting & heating upgrades
- design new buildings to be energy efficient
- provide access to coursework that explores day-to-day sustainability issues: energy, water and waste.

The Chairperson thanked the group, on behalf of the Board, for their insightful presentation and their continued efforts towards energy conservation throughout the district.

## [2] **DELEGATIONS**

### (a) Delegation: Anita Huberman, CEO, Surrey Board of Trade, re: "Education Today Prosperity Tomorrow" Program

Anita Huberman, CEO, Surrey Board of Trade, as well as several Directors and/or members, provided Trustees with information regarding several Surrey Board of Trade initiatives and activities, including:

- K-12 skills needed by industry
- Advocacy update on capital funding
- Surrey Board of Trade Youth Leaders
- Surrey Board of Trade Student Entrepreneur Program
- Surrey Board of Trade Top 25 under 25 Awards program
- Assistance with SD36 initiatives.

The Surrey Board of Trade would like their members to assist young entrepreneurial students in connecting with business people. It is one of the key deliverables of their strategic plan to have their Board Directors interface with students, especially students in grades 1-8.

The Surrey Board of Trade is very support of the K-12 and post-secondary education system. They will continue their advocacy from a business and economic perspective, to ensure that Surrey gets its fair share of funding.

The Chairperson thanked the delegation, on behalf of the Board for their presentation and continued support of K-12 education in Surrey.

[3] **ACTION ITEMS**

(a) Adoption of Minutes of Regular Board Meeting Held 2013-04-18

It was moved by Trustee Allen seconded by Trustee McNally:

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Board meeting held 2013-04-18 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

(b) Notice of Motion, Trustee L. Larsen, Re: Foundation Skills Assessment / Random Testing

Trustee Larsen presented her Notice of Motion regarding Foundation Skills Assessment / Random Testing

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

THAT WHEREAS the Board values quality assessment practices to support student learning; and

WHEREAS the Board acknowledges that students, parents and teachers benefit from getting current and value-added feedback from effective, high quality assessments; and

WHEREAS the Board recognizes the right of the Province to establish system-wide assessments to monitor performance in specific areas of learning; and

WHEREAS the Board honours and celebrates the quality of the neighbourhood public school that provides a full range of education services to all children.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board contact the Minister of Education to express concern regarding the misuse of FSA data by the Fraser Institute or by any individual or organization that uses such results to rank schools; and

THAT the Board further suggest to the Minister that if there is no effective way to manage the FSA data so it cannot be used for the purposes of ranking, then such assessments should cease and should be replaced by random sampling provincial assessments.

CARRIED

(c) Carbon Neutral Action Report - 2012

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

THAT the Board approve the 2012 Carbon Neutral Action Report and a copy of the report be submitted to the Ministry of Education prior to 2013-04-30.

CARRIED

(d) Capital Project Bylaw No. 126627 – Annual Facilities Grant 2013/2014

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

THAT Capital Project Bylaw No. 126627 be given three (3) readings at this meeting.

CARRIED

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

THAT Capital Project Bylaw No. 126627 be approved as read a first time.

CARRIED

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

THAT Capital Project Bylaw No. 126627 be approved as read a second time.

CARRIED

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

THAT Capital Project Bylaw No. 126627 be approved as read a third time and finally adopted.

CARRIED

(e) Statement of Operating Fund Expenditures – Nine Months Ended 2013-03-31

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

THAT the Board accept the Statement of Operating fund Expenditures for the nine (9) months ended 2013-03-31, as presented.

CARRIED

(f) Interim Financial Report – Special Purpose Funds – Nine Months Ended 2013-03-31

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

THAT the Board accept the Special Purpose Fund Schedules for the nine (9) months ended 2013-03-31, as presented.

CARRIED

[4] **INFORMATION AND PROPOSALS**

(a) Progress Report – Active Capital Projects

Trustees received a progress report regarding active capital projects.

(b) Incoming Correspondence

There were no correspondence items requiring Trustees' attention.

[5] **FUTURE BUSINESS**

(a) Items for Future Discussion

Trustees made note of topics requiring discussion by the Board in the future 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 McNally, seconded by Trustee Masi:

THAT the Regular meeting of the Board be adjourned at 8:30 p.m.  
**CARRIED**

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S. Wilson  
Chairperson

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W. Noye  
Secretary-Treasurer

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