

**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, JUNE 21st, 2012 AT 7:30 P.M.**

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**IN ATTENDANCE**

**Trustees**

L. McNally, Chairperson  
S. Wilson, Vice Chairperson  
T. Allen  
C. Dobie  
L. Larsen

**Staff**

M. McKay, Superintendent  
W. Noye, Secretary-Treasurer  
S. Cohen, Deputy Superintendent  
L. McCuaig, Executive Assistant

**Absent**

P. Glass  
R. Masi

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[1] **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson McNally called the meeting to order at 7:30 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; Laura Barker, Second Vice President, STA; Gioia Breda, teacher, Jessie Lee Elementary; Patti Dundas, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer; Linda Gertz, Assistant Manager, Fiscal Management Services; Anthony Hope, student; Kerry Magnus, Associate Director, Business Management Services; Janice Meehan, President, CUPE, Local 728; Michaela Milne, student; Angela Smith, Administrative Assistant and Doug Strachan, Manager, Communications.

(a) **"O Canada"**

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

Chairperson McNally acknowledged that it was National Aboriginal Day today and that the day has been celebrated in many different ways throughout the district.

The Chairperson advised that Trustee Glass was absent due to illness and Trustee Masi was out of the country.

(b) Approval of Agenda of Regular Board Meeting

Chairperson McNally requested that the agenda be amended to *remove* item 3(p) *Bylaw #210, Re: David Brankin Elementary – Site #058 – Statutory Right-of-Way, City of Surrey*; and item 4(a) *Trustee Reports*; add item 1(c) *Recognition: Dr. Sharon Cohen, Deputy Superintendent*, and that all other items be renumbered accordingly.

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

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

CARRIED

(c) Recognition: Dr. Sharon Cohen, Deputy Superintendent

The Board recognized Dr. Sharon Cohen, Deputy Superintendent for contributions to students, staff and school communities throughout her 30 years of service as a teacher and administrator.

Deputy Superintendent Dr. Sharon Cohen is retiring. She joined our district more than 30 years ago as a teacher, more specifically as a music teacher. It wasn't long before her enthusiasm, insights and leadership qualities led Dr. Cohen to become a Vice-Principal, and later, the first Principal of the then brand new Bayridge Elementary School.

Over the course of about a decade, Dr. Cohen took on more senior leadership roles in the district; becoming Director of Instruction, Assistant Superintendent and of course, Deputy Superintendent.

As a specialist in educational leadership, and with a focus on improving student learning, Dr. Cohen has always been a champion of professional learning and leadership development in the district. She has strongly promoted and contributed to leadership programs like "Continuing the Conversation", as well as many professional learning initiatives with the Surrey Teachers' Association. Dr. Cohen has also been instrumental in the development of district priorities and the creation of our Educational Services department. She's also led the district's Research and Evaluation department for many years.

The Surrey Board of Education recognized Dr. Sharon Cohen for her extraordinary legacy of educational leadership in the Surrey School District.

Chairperson McNally presented Dr. Cohen with a certificate and commemorative pin in honour of her formal recognition by the Board.

[2] **DELEGATIONS**

(a) Delegation: Surrey Teachers' Association re: Anti-Homophobia Policy

Laura Barker, Second Vice President; Gioia Breda, teacher, Jessie Lee Elementary; Anthony Hope, student and Michaela Milne, student, provided Trustees with their opinions regarding the creation of a stand-alone anti-homophobia policy. They presented many views and statements expressed by students, teachers and the community on the impact of homophobic experiences. The delegation made their presentation in conjunction with the CUPE delegation.

(b) Delegation: CUPE, Local 728 re: Anti-Homophobia Policy

Janice Meehan, President, provided Trustees with her opinion regarding the creation of a separate anti-homophobia policy. The delegation made their presentation in conjunction with the STA delegation.

[3] **ACTION ITEMS**

(a) Adoption of Minutes of Regular Board Meeting Held 2012-06-07

It was moved by Trustee Allen seconded by Trustee Wilson:

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Board meeting held 2012-06-07 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

(b) Policy Development and Review Project – Completed Segments

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

THAT the Board approve the following revised policies:

- (a) Policy #2300 School District Signing Authority
- (b) Policy #2400 School Board Meetings & Trustee In-service Sessions
- (c) Policy #2925 Trustees – Provision of Resources
- (d) Policy #4410 Travel Expense Reimbursement
- (e) Policy #5702 - DELETE – Recycling & Disposal of Consumable Learning Resources
- (f) Policy #5809 Personal Property Brought to School District Premises
- (g) Policy #5810 Risk Management of Assets & Legal Liabilities
- (h) Policy #5815 Risk Management – Incident Reports
- (i) Policy #9410 Safe & Caring Schools
- (j) Reg. #9410.1 Safe & Caring Schools
- (k) Policy #9801 - DELETE – Care of Textbooks, Library Books and Other Resource Materials Assigned to Schools

- (l) Policy #10400 Community use of Facilities & Grounds Outside of School Hours
- (m) Policy #10770 Research in Schools
- (n) Policy #10900 Anti-Discrimination & Human Rights
- (o) Reg. #10900.1 *Anti-Discrimination & Human Rights*

It was moved by Trustee Dobie,

THAT Policy #10900 and Regulation #10900.1 be removed from the policy package in order to allow more time for review with staff and consultation with education partners.

MOTION FAILED (no seconder)

The Chairperson called the question on the original motion.

CARRIED (Opposed: Trustee Dobie)

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

THAT the Board direct the Superintendent to convene a working group in the fall to review the policy with respect to the issues brought forward by the anti-homophobia delegations.

CARRIED

(c) Report of the 2012/2013 Budget Committee

Trustee Allen, Chair of the 2012/2013 Budget Committee presented the report to Trustees.

**Annual Budget Bylaw No. 1 (Teachers)**

**Pecuniary Interest**

Trustee Larsen declared a pecuniary interest with reference to the Annual Budget Bylaw No. 1 (Teachers) and did not participate in discussions or voting on this matter.

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

THAT all decisions taken by the 2012/2013 Budget Committee during its deliberations regarding Teacher costs totaling \$377,956,549 and summarized in this report, be approved by the Board for implementation.

CARRIED

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

THAT the attached School District No. 36 (Surrey) 2012/2013 Annual Budget Bylaw No. 1 (Teachers) be given three (3) readings at this meeting.

CARRIED

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

THAT the attached School District No. 36 (Surrey) 2012/2013 Annual Budget Bylaw No. 1 (Teachers) be approved as read a first time.

CARRIED

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

THAT the attached School District No. 36 (Surrey) 2012/2013 Annual Budget Bylaw No. 1 (Teachers) be approved as read a second time.

CARRIED

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

THAT the attached School District No. 36 (Surrey) 2012/2013 Annual Budget Bylaw No. 1 (Teachers) be approved as read a third time and finally adopted.

CARRIED

### **Annual Budget Bylaw No. 2 (Unionized Support Staff)**

#### **Pecuniary Interest**

Trustee Dobie declared a pecuniary interest with reference to the Annual Budget Bylaw No. 2 (Unionized Support Staff) and did not participate in discussions or voting on this matter.

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

THAT all decisions taken by the 2012/2013 Budget Committee during its deliberations regarding Unionized Support Staff costs totaling \$129,071,679 and summarized in this report, be approved by the Board for implementation.

CARRIED

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

THAT the attached School District No. 36 (Surrey) 2012/2013 Annual Budget Bylaw No. 2 (Unionized Support Staff) be given three (3) readings at this meeting.

CARRIED

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

THAT the attached School District No. 36 (Surrey) 2012/2013 Annual Budget Bylaw No. 2 (Unionized Support Staff) be approved as read a first time.

CARRIED

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

THAT the attached School District No. 36 (Surrey) 2012/2013 Annual Budget Bylaw No. 2 (Unionized Support Staff) be approved as read a second time.

CARRIED

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

THAT the attached School District No. 36 (Surrey) 2012/2013 Annual Budget Bylaw No. 2 (Unionized Support Staff) be approved as read a third time and finally adopted.

CARRIED

### **Annual Budget Bylaw No. 3 (Other)**

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

THAT all decisions taken by the 2012/2013 Budget Committee during its deliberations regarding all Other costs totaling \$152,423,982 and summarized in this report, be approved by the Board for implementation.

CARRIED

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

THAT the attached School District No. 36 (Surrey) 2012/2013 Annual Budget Bylaw No. 3 (Other) be given three (3) readings at this meeting.

CARRIED

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

THAT the attached School District No. 36 (Surrey) 2012/2013 Annual Budget Bylaw No. 3 (Other) be approved as read a first time.

CARRIED

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

THAT the attached School District No. 36 (Surrey) 2012/2013 Annual Budget Bylaw No. 3 (Other) be approved as read a second time.

CARRIED

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

THAT the attached School District No. 36 (Surrey) 2012/2013 Annual Budget Bylaw No. 3 (Other) be approved as read a third time and finally adopted.

CARRIED

(d) District Mission, Vision, Values and Goals 2012/2013

Mike McKay, Superintendent, provided Trustees with information regarding details of the District Mission, Vision, Values and Goals for 2012/2013 and the process involved in developing these goals and beliefs.

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

THAT the 2012/2013 Mission, Vision, Values and Goals be approved as presented.

CARRIED

(e) Achievement Contract 2012/2013

Sharon Cohen, Deputy Superintendent, provided Trustees with information regarding the Achievement Contract for the 2012/2013 school year.

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

THAT the Board approve the Achievement Contract for 2012/2013.

CARRIED

- (f) Establishment of Parents' Advisory Council – South Surrey/White Rock Learning Centre, Site #592

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

THAT the Board formally recognize the establishment of a Parents' Advisory Council at the South Surrey/White Rock Learning Centre – Site #592, subject to confirmation the Parents' Advisory Council's constitution complies with the Board recommended constitution template.

CARRIED

- (g) Eligible School Sites Proposal – 2012-2016 Capital Plan

Wayne Noye, Secretary-Treasurer provided Trustees with information regarding the Eligible School Sites Proposal – 2012-2016 Capital Plan.

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

THAT WHEREAS the Board of Education of School District No.36 (Surrey) has consulted with the City of Surrey and the City of White Rock on these matters;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT based on information from local government, the Board of Education of School District No.36 (Surrey) estimates that there will be 40,534 development units constructed in the school district over the next 10 years (Schedule 'A' – Table 2); and

THAT these 40,534 new development units will be home to an estimated 12,259 school age children (Schedule 'A' – Table 3); and

THAT the School Board expects 3 new school sites and 2 site expansions, over the ten-year period, will be required as the result of this growth in the school district and the site acquisitions will be located as presented in Schedule 'B'; and

THAT according to Ministry of Education site standards presented in Schedule 'B' these sites will require in total 11 hectares (approx. 28 acres). These sites should be purchased within ten years and, at current serviced land costs, the cost is estimated at \$24.85 million; and

THAT the Eligible School Sites Proposal as adjusted be incorporated into the Five Year Capital Plan, 2012-2016, and submitted to the Ministry of Education.

CARRIED



- (h) Joint Use Agreement – City of Surrey, Re: A.J. McLellan Elementary – Site #178

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

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 36 (Surrey) authorize the execution of the Joint Use Agreement with the City of Surrey for the use of exterior washrooms and playing field at A.J. McLellan Elementary – Site #178, located at 16545 – 61 Avenue.

CARRIED

- (i) Joint Use Agreement – City of Surrey, Re: Adams Road Elementary – Site #153

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

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 36 (Surrey) authorize the execution of the Joint Use Agreement with the City of Surrey for the use of exterior washrooms and playing field at Adams Road Elementary – Site #153, located at 18288 – 68 Avenue.

CARRIED

- (j) Joint Use Agreement – City of Surrey, Re: Cambridge Elementary – Site #151

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

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 36 (Surrey) authorize the execution of the Joint Use Agreement with the City of Surrey for the use of exterior washrooms, parking lot, playground and playing field at Cambridge Elementary – Site #151, located at 6115 – 150 Street.

CARRIED

- (k) Joint Use Agreement – City of Surrey, Re: Coast Meridian Elementary – Site #155

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

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 36 (Surrey) authorize the execution of the Joint Use Agreement with the City of Surrey for the use of exterior washrooms, parking lot and playing field at Coast Meridian Elementary – Site #155, located at 8222 – 168A Street.

CARRIED

- (l) Joint Use Agreement – City of Surrey, Re: Chimney Hill Elementary – Site #165

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

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 36 (Surrey) authorize the execution of the Joint Use Agreement with the City of Surrey for the use of exterior washrooms, parking lot and playing field at Chimney Hill Elementary – Site #165, located at 14755 74 Avenue.

CARRIED

- (m) Joint Use Agreement – City of Surrey, Re: Hillcrest Elementary – Site #176

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

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 36 (Surrey) authorize the execution of the Joint Use Agreement with the City of Surrey for the use of exterior washrooms, parking lot and playing fields at Hillcrest Elementary – Site #176, located at 18599 – 65 Avenue.

CARRIED

- (n) Joint Use Agreement – City of Surrey, Re: Morgan Elementary – Site #188

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

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 36 (Surrey) authorize the execution of the Joint Use Agreement with the City of Surrey for the use of exterior washrooms, parking lots, tennis courts and playing field at Morgan Elementary – Site #188, located at 3366 – 156A Street.

CARRIED

- (o) Bylaw #209, Re: Hjorth Road Elementary – Site #001 – Statutory Right-of-Way – City of Surrey

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

THAT Bylaw #209, Re: Hjorth Road Elementary - Site #001 – Statutory Right-of-Way – City of Surrey be given three (3) readings at this meeting.

CARRIED

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

THAT Bylaw #209, Re: Hjorth Road Elementary - Site #001 – Statutory Right-of-Way – City of Surrey be approved as read a first time.

CARRIED

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

THAT Bylaw #209, Re: Hjorth Road Elementary - Site #001 – Statutory Right-of-Way – City of Surrey be approved as read a second time.

CARRIED

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

THAT Bylaw #209, Re: Hjorth Road Elementary - Site #001 – Statutory Right-of-Way – City of Surrey be approved as read a third time and finally adopted.

CARRIED

(p) Trustees' Honorarium

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

THAT the Board set the Trustee honorarium base rate at \$30,400, effective 2012-07-01 and the Chairperson and Vice Chairperson honorariums be applied in accordance with Policy #2920 – *Trustees' Honorarium* and its Regulation.

CARRIED (Opposed: Trustee Dobie)

[4] **INFORMATION AND PROPOSALS**

(a) Superintendent's Annual Report

Mike McKay, Superintendent, provided Trustees with the Superintendent's annual report on the school district. He provided highlights in the areas of:

- 2011/2012 was a particularly challenging year due to the labour dispute. While the labour discord is a provincial matter, there has been substantial and prolonged strain on relationships across the district. It is hoped there will be a positive resolution soon so the employee-employer climate can revert to one that is more collaborative and productive.

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- For 70,000 students, this school year has been as important as any other. Surrey students have achieved remarkable successes in the classroom, the theatre, the playing fields and in the community.
  - Students have been guided by skilled professionals whose commitment, even during difficult times, has helped to make a difference.
  - SD36 (Surrey) received a substantial share of the good funding news announced by the province this year including an increase to Community LINK funds and new capital projects for school buildings. Program expansions to support vulnerable students and new or expanded school buildings in growing neighbourhoods are on the horizon as a result of the additional resourcing.
  - The Board's advocacy work with government on these issues was well supported by employee and community group lobbying. Those partnerships are most appreciated.
  - At the new District Education Centre, the first year has realized benefits in efficiencies, a new sense of community and positive culture for district administrative staff.
  - Close to 10,000 students will attend summer learning programs.
  - Staff are preparing to welcome over 71,000 students to the first day of School in September.

Superintendent McKay took the opportunity to thank the Board for all of its leadership, governance and support throughout this particularly challenging year.

(b) Report on Changes to Classes Pursuant to Section 76.4 of the School Act

Mike McKay, Superintendent, provided Trustees with information regarding the changes to classes pursuant to Section 76.4 of the *School Act*.

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

THAT the Board accept the report on changes to classes pursuant to Section 76.4 of the *School Act*.

CARRIED

(c) 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 Larsen, seconded by Trustee Wilson:

THAT the Regular meeting of the Board be adjourned at 9:09 p.m.  
**CARRIED**

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L. McNally  
Chairperson

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W. Noye  
Secretary-Treasurer