

Minutes

Regular Board Meeting

Date: October 20, 2016
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Location: School District No. 36 (Surrey)
District Education Centre
Room #2202

Present: Shawn Wilson Chairperson
Laurie Larsen Vice Chairperson
Bob Holmes Trustee
Garry Thind Trustee
Gary Tymoschuk Trustee

Absent: Terry Allen Trustee
Laurae McNally Trustee

Staff Present: Dr. Jordan Tinney Superintendent
Rick Ryan Deputy Superintendent
Karen Botsford Executive Assistant
Greg Frank Secretary Treasurer

1. Call to Order

Chairperson Wilson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. He noted that Trustee Laurae McNally and Trustee Terry Allen were absent as they are each recovering from a medical issue.

Presenters & Staff:

In addition to the Table of Officers named above, the following staff were in attendance for the meeting:

Ross Brennan, Assistant Superintendent; Nader Dhillon, Director of Instruction Student Services; Patti Dundas, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer; Emily Watson, Manager, Demographics and Facilities Planning.

a. "O Canada" – recording by Coyote Creek Elementary Students

Trustees, administration and the audience sang "O Canada" accompanied by a recording by Coyote Creek Elementary Students.

b. Approval of Agenda of Regular Board Meeting

Moved by Trustee Bob Holmes
Seconded by Trustee Gary Tymoschuk

THAT the agenda of the Regular Board Meeting be approved as presented.

CARRIED

2. Delegation

a. Canadian Parents for French - Mary-Em Waddington

Mary-Em Waddington, President of Canadian Parents for French (CPF), Surrey, provided the Board with an update on the associations recent activities. Ms. Waddington indicated that the national chapter is interested in how families access French in Surrey. She referenced Policy 9600 (Choice Programs) and asked the Board to look at the policy again. She is grateful that her children have access to French Immersion and believes the CPF volunteers provide important support for the program including the District wide winter carnival. CPF also provides scholarships for Grade 12 students. Recently a survey was done following up on where French Immersion graduates are today and what they are doing. The survey revealed that many are very successful.

Recently, Graham Fraser, Commissioner of Official Languages spoke out about the importance of parent advocacy in promoting the French language. Ms. Waddington presented the Board Chairperson with a cheque for Library resources for the French Immersion programs in Surrey.

3. Action Items

a. Adoption of Minutes of Regular Board Meeting Held 2016-09-22

Moved by Trustee Gary Tymoschuk
Seconded by Laurie Larsen, Vice Chairperson

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Board meeting held 2016-09-22 be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

b. Recommended Architect Appointment - Latimer Road Elementary (Site 035)

Moved by Trustee Garry Thind
Seconded by Laurie Larsen, Vice Chairperson

THAT the firm of Iredale Group Architecture be appointed Project Architect and the Board's signing officers be authorized to execute BC Housing Master Purchase Agreement for the Latimer Road Elementary (Site 035) Building Envelope Remediation project.

CARRIED

c. Salish Secondary Boundaries and Choice Program

Dr. Tinney, Superintendent provided a brief overview of the process of how we got to where we are today. In early 2014 the District hired a consultant who provided a report on Facilities and Programs to the Board in June 2014. Subsequently, staff and administration prepared The Long Range Facilities and Education Plan with a number of recommendations for consideration and the plan was presented to the Board in June 2015. Dr. Tinney introduced Rick Ryan, Deputy Superintendent who is the Chair of the Program, Facilities and Planning (PFP) Committee.

Rick Ryan spoke about the PFP committee and he briefly summarized the report that was presented at the September 22 Board meeting which included an overview of the planning and public consultation process. Mr. Ryan indicated that of the options generated, staff and Executive are recommending to the Board option number one from the report which include a number of boundary changes and the relocation of the French Immersion Program from Lord Tweedsmuir Secondary to Salish Secondary. The final recommendation will go to the Board at the regular November 17th meeting.

Moved by Laurie Larsen, Vice Chairperson
Seconded by Trustee Bob Holmes

THAT the Board of Education receive the report titled *Salish Secondary: Consultation Report on Proposed Boundaries – October 2016*.

CARRIED

d. Capacity Management Strategy - Kwantlen Park Secondary

Rick Ryan, Deputy Superintendent introduced Ross Brennan Assistant Superintendent. Mr. Brennan introduced Emily Watson, Manager, Demographics and Facilities Planning, to provide an overview of the consultation process.

Ms. Watson provided a summary of the report before the Board. Kwantlen Park Secondary has a nominal capacity of 1200 students and a functional capacity of 1300 (Surrey uses functional capacity) and is home to a French Immersion Program and the Inter-A Program. Currently Kwantlen Park Secondary's enrollment is 1500 students. The catchment area is growing and two secondary

schools, Queen Elizabeth and LA Matheson, have capacity to help relieve the enrollment pressure. The Enrollment pressures on Kwantlen Park were taken to the PFP Committee and eight options were generated. The top two included moving the Inter-A program.

A Public consultation process took place including the use of an online system called PlaceSpeak, surveys, and a community forum was held. The key feedback themes were: concern around increased distance to school, potential impact on the health of the program, concern about the new physical space for the program and the cost of the move. Suggestions included catchment changes rather than choice program moves. There was also a desire for creating a permanent space for the Inter-A program to help prevent the program from needing to move again in the future.

Rick Ryan thanked Ms. Watson for her summary and commented that the report has been on PlaceSpeak since October 8th. He clarified that the recommendation before the Board is to move the Inter-A Program to Queen Elizabeth Secondary. The Board will receive the report at this meeting and will consider the recommendation for final approval at the November 17th Board meeting.

Moved by Laurie Larsen, Vice Chairperson
Seconded by Trustee Gary Tymoschuk

THAT the Board of Education receive the report titled *Ecole Kwantlen Park Secondary: Consultation on Enrolment Management Strategies – October 2016*.

CARRIED

4. Information & Proposals

a. Trustee Reports

Chairperson Shawn Wilson reported on Trustee activities since the last Board meeting. A copy of the report is on the website.

b. Media Reports on Public-Private Partnership (P3) - (Verbal)

Dr. Tinney provided an update on the issue of Public-Private Partnerships (P3's) that have recently been reported in the media as a result of the City of Surrey suggestion that P3's be considered as a possible solution for school overcrowding.

The Board of Education is responsible for educating the students of Surrey and for building schools through funding provided by the Ministry of Education. The

Board of Education is advocating strongly for additional schools through the Ministry of Education.

Chairperson Wilson stated that the Board has no interest in participating in Public-Private Partnerships. He indicated that P3's have not been discussed in the past and the Board will not entertain the possibility.

c. Progress Report Active Capital Projects

Trustees received a progress report regarding active capital projects.

5. Future Business

a. Items for Future Discussion

No items.

b. Future Meetings

Trustees made note of future meetings outlined on the agenda.

6. Question Period

An informal question period of up to 30 minutes was provided immediately following the conclusion of the meeting.

7. Adjournment

Moved by Laurie Larsen, Vice Chairperson
Seconded by Trustee Gary Tymoschuk

THAT the Regular meetings of the Board be adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

CARRIED

Shawn Wilson
Chairperson

Greg Frank
Secretary-Treasurer
