

BOARD OF EDUCATION
SCHOOL DISTRICT 41 - BURNABY

A Public Session meeting of the Board of Education of School District 41 - Burnaby was held in the Board Room at 7:03 pm on Tuesday, September 22, 2009.

Present

Trustees Diana Mumford (Chair), Ron Burton, Tony Coccia, Larry Hayes, Baljinder Narang, James Wang, and Gary Wong; Superintendent of Schools Claudio Morelli, Secretary-Treasurer Greg Frank, Assistant Superintendents Kevin Kaardal and Gina Niccoli-Moen, Associate Superintendent Elliott Grieve and Executive Assistant Lauren Bruntjen.

Agenda

It was moved by Larry Hayes and seconded by Tony Coccia:

THAT the agenda be approved, as amended.

Carried unanimously.

The amendment moved the District Operations – Superintendent’s Report to follow Approval of the Agenda.

District Operations – Superintendent’s Report

School Opening Report

a) Opening Week Activities

Superintendent of Schools Claudio Morelli reported on the successful start to the new school year. Principal of Taylor Park Elementary School, Sharon Chamberlain, presented a group of her grade 4 to 7 students who shared highlights of some of the activities taking place during the first weeks of the school year. Moscrop Secondary student Alison Jinn commented on the mentorship program that she is part of as well as the *Survival Guide* which is given to all grade 8 students. Victoria Mazyavina and Danilo Veljovic also shared their experiences as new grade 8 students at Moscrop Secondary.

b) School Enrolment

Mr. Morelli advised that although actual enrolment numbers were not available at this time it is expected that the 2009-2010 school year enrolment will remain stable. A detailed enrolment report will be provided at the next meeting.

Prevention is the Key

Mr. Morelli commented on the district's message to practice preventive measures to help keep our schools healthy. The pamphlet, *Prevention is the Key* provides a comprehensive guide for parents, students and staff and has been sent home with students. In addition, a prevention poster has been produced in cooperation with the Fraser Health Authority and will be posted in all schools.

It was moved by Ron Burton and seconded by Larry Hayes:

THAT the Superintendent's Report be received, as presented.

Carried unanimously.

Good News

Trustee Gary Wong presented Good News items from various Burnaby schools, as attached.

Minutes

It was moved by Larry Hayes and seconded by Gary Wong:

THAT the minutes of the Public Session of June 23, 2009 be approved, as presented.

Carried unanimously.

Board Chair Report

Diana Mumford welcomed students and staff back to school and commented on the smooth startup of the school year. She highlighted some of the unique and challenging programs offered to Burnaby students such as the advanced learning program for elementary students and a new ACE IT computer support technician program at the secondary level. She also commented on recent budget cuts and urged parents to contact their local MLA to voice their concerns regarding sustainable, predictable and adequate public education funding.

Correspondence

It was moved by Baljinder Narang and seconded by Tony Coccia:

THAT the letter from Daynta Welch, Policy and Program Officer, Local Government Program Services, regarding 2008 School Community Connections be received.

Carried unanimously.

It was moved by Baljinder Narang and seconded by James Wang:

THAT the letter and attached report from Debbie Comis, City Clerk, City of Burnaby, regarding Burnaby Central Secondary School Replacement Project be received.

Carried unanimously.

It was moved by Larry Hayes and seconded by Baljinder Narang:

THAT the letter from Alyson Rowe, Manager, Youth Outreach, War Child Canada, regarding recognition of the contribution received from Moscrop Secondary School be received.

Carried unanimously.

It was moved by Tony Coccia and seconded by Baljinder Narang:

THAT the letter from Denise Castonguay, Administrative Representative, Facilities, BC Government and Service Employees' Union, regarding the removal of trees at Burnaby Central Secondary School be received.

Carried unanimously.

Committee Reports

Finance Committee

Secretary-Treasurer Greg Frank made a presentation on the audited financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2009.

It was moved by Ron Burton and seconded by Larry Hayes:

THAT the Finance Committee Report be received and the recommendations contained therein be approved, as presented.

Carried unanimously.

District Operations – Administrative Services

It was moved by Ron Burton and seconded by Baljinder Narang:

THAT the Board receive and approve the Superintendent's District Operations – Administrative Services Report and Addendum, as presented.

Carried unanimously.

District Operations – Business Services

Bylaws 2009-04, 2009-05, 2009-06, 2009-07, 2009-08, 2009-09 and 2009-10

Mr. Frank presented the pro-forma bylaws, road dedication, rights-of-way and restrictive covenants regarding the construction of the replacement of Burnaby Central Secondary School.

It was moved by Ron Burton and seconded by Larry Hayes:

THAT Bylaws 2009-04, 2009-05, 2009-06, 2009-07, 2009-08, 2009-09 and 2009-10 receive three readings at this Board meeting held September 22, 2009.

Carried unanimously.

It was moved by Larry Hayes and seconded by Tony Coccia:

THAT Bylaws 2009-04, 2009-05, 2009-06, 2009-07, 2009-08, 2009-09 and 2009-10 be read a first time.

Carried unanimously.

It was moved by Gary Wong and seconded by James Wang:

THAT Bylaws 2009-04, 2009-05, 2009-06, 2009-07, 2009-08, 2009-09 and 2009-10 be approved a first time and read a second time.

Carried unanimously.

It was moved by Tony Coccia and seconded by Baljinder Narang:

THAT Bylaws 2009-04, 2009-05, 2009-06, 2009-07, 2009-08, 2009-09 and 2009-10 be approved a second time and read a third time.

Carried unanimously.

It was moved by Ron Burton and seconded by James Wang:

THAT Bylaws 2009-04, 2009-05, 2009-06, 2009-07, 2009-08, 2009-09 and 2009-10 be approved a third time.

Carried unanimously.

It was moved by Larry Hayes and seconded by James Wang:

THAT Bylaws 2009-04, 2009-05, 2009-06, 2009-07, 2009-08, 2009-09 and 2009-10 having been read a first, second and third time, be finally passed and adopted the 22nd day of September, 2009; that the Chair of the Board and the Secretary-Treasurer be authorized to sign the bylaws; and that the bylaws be sealed with the corporate seal of the Board.

Carried unanimously.

New Business

BCSTA Provincial Council: Call for Motions

Trustees were advised of the September 28, 2009 deadline for submission of motions for the BCSTA Provincial Council Meeting.

Adjournment

It was moved by Larry Hayes and seconded by Ron Burton:

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Carried unanimously

Original signed by:

Diana Mumford
Chair

D. Greg Frank, C.A.
Secretary-Treasurer