

MINUTES  
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 7:02 pm on Tuesday, May 25, 2010.

**Present**

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

**Agenda**

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

*THAT the agenda be approved, as presented.*

Carried unanimously.

**Good News**

James Wang presented Good News items from various Burnaby schools, as attached.

**Board Chair Report**

Diana Mumford acknowledged the 1,754 graduates leaving Grade 12 at the end of this year as well as the 12 CUPE, 51 BTA, 4 BASA and 2 exempt staff who are retiring from the district. The Board wishes them all the best in their new endeavours.

## **District Operations – Superintendent’s Report**

### Green Initiative Wins Bus

Vice-Principal of Burnaby North Garth Errico provided background information regarding Canada’s Greenest School competition. Science Department Head Donna Morgan reviewed what the competition meant to the school and Jennifer Hau shared her experience in winning the contest. As a result of this competition Burnaby North has been named Canada’s Greenest School. In addition to winning a hybrid school bus and a green audit for her school, Jennifer has won \$3,000 towards her post-secondary education. Ms Morgan also received \$500 to be used for eco-friendly class supplies.

### 2010 Canada Day Poster Challenge

Vice-Principal of Burnaby North Garth Errico introduced Burnaby North students Annie Yu and Sammi Wu who were both awarded national recognition in their age categories for their entries in the Canada Day Poster Challenge. Both students described the inspiration behind their winning posters. In addition to winning the British Columbia Canada Day Poster Challenge, Annie Yu is also the national winner of the 2010 Canada Day Poster Challenge and her winning poster will be on display throughout Canada on Canada Day.

### Learning Technologies – Literacy for Every Student

Learning Technology Helping Teachers Francine Giacomaza, Lucky Saini and Janet Chow provided trustees with an overview on how learning technology has enhanced and helped students with literacy in the classroom. Lucky Saini highlighted some of the challenges faced by students as well as support for struggling readers and Janet Chow demonstrated a variety of tools that assist students in the reading and writing process.

### Fast ForWord Update

Director of Instruction Dave Eberwein presented an update on the Fast ForWord Program taking place in eleven of our schools. Learning Technologies Teacher Janet Chow provided an overview of the computer software applications that have been designed to facilitate an improvement in language processing skills of students.

### 2010-2011 Student Fees

Superintendent of Schools Claudio Morelli presented the schedule of school fees for the 2010-2011 school year. The schedule has been revised to enable participation by students for whom the fees may be a financial hardship and meets all the requirements of the new school fees legislation.

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

*THAT the Superintendent's Report be received and the recommendations contained therein be approved, as presented.*

Carried unanimously.

### **Minutes**

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

*THAT the minutes of the Public Session of May 11, 2010 be approved, as presented.*

Carried unanimously.

### **Correspondence**

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

*THAT the letter from Lynn Axford, Administrative Officer 1, City of Burnaby, regarding installation of summer school signage be received.*

Carried unanimously.

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

*THAT the letter from Kathy Corrigan, MLA, Burnaby-Deer Lake, regarding a statement on Maywood School made in the Legislature, March 30, 2010, be received.*

Carried unanimously.

## **Committee Reports**

### Policy Committee

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

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

Carried unanimously.

### Youth and Community Services Committee

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

*THAT the Youth and Community Services 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 Larry Hayes:

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

Carried unanimously.

## **Adjournment**

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

*THAT the meeting be adjourned at 8:10 pm.*

Carried unanimously

Original signed by:

Diana Mumford  
Chair

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