



**PUBLIC MINUTES OF THE  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
Wednesday, March 11, 2020, (6:00 PM)  
DEO Board Room**

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**IN ATTENDANCE:**

**BOARD MEMBERS:**

Chairperson – Korleen Carreras  
Vice-Chairperson – Elaine Yamamoto  
Trustee – Kim Dumore  
Trustee – Mike Murray  
Trustee – Pascale Shaw  
Trustee – Kathleen Sullivan  
Trustee – Colette Trudeau

**STAFF:**

Superintendent – Sylvia Russell  
Secretary Treasurer – Flavia Coughlan  
Deputy Superintendent – Harry Dhillon  
Senior Manager, Communications – Irena Pochop  
Executive Coordinator – Karen Yoxall

**A. OPENING PROCEDURES**

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m.

The Chairperson welcomed and thanked everyone for attending.

The Chairperson acknowledged that this meeting is taking place on the shared traditional and unceded territories of Katzie First Nation and Kwantlen First Nation. The Chairperson welcomed and recognized all of our First Nations, Métis, and Inuit students and families in our schools and community. The Chairperson welcomed and recognized the many different cultures that are represented in our schools and community.

2. Correspondence

**Moved/Seconded**

- J. Van Loon, Director General, Controlled Substances & Cannabis Branch, Health Canada
- R. Fleming, Minister of Education

THAT the Board receive the correspondence, for information.

**CARRIED**

3. Approval of Agenda

**Moved/Seconded**

The Chairperson reported that the presentation by the Ridge Meadows Child Development Centre has been deferred.

THAT the Agenda be approved as amended.

**CARRIED**

4. Invitation for Public Input to matters on the Agenda

The Chairperson invited the public to provide input into Decision Items under section F of the agenda and requested the public to sign up on the sheet provided if they wished to ask questions.

**B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Moved/Seconded**

THAT the Minutes of the February 26, 2020 Public Board Meeting be approved as circulated.

**CARRIED**

**C. PRESENTATIONS**

**D. DELEGATIONS**

**E. DEFERRED ITEMS**

**F. DECISION ITEMS**

1. Chairperson
2. Superintendent of Schools
3. Secretary Treasurer
4. Board Committees

a) Budget

- i. Community and Commercial Use of School Facilities

**Moved/Seconded**

In accordance with board Policy 10400 Community and Commercial Use of School Facilities and Grounds, board facilities will be made available to outside users for a fee that at a minimum ensures full cost recovery of direct and indirect costs incurred and to be incurred by the board as a result of making that use available.

The Secretary Treasurer reported that rental rates are calculated based on either the full cost recovery per square meter per hour or on market rates which are determined by conducting an annual market analysis.

THAT the Board approve the proposed rental rates for 2020/2021

**CARRIED**

b) Finance

- i. Appointment of Auditors

**Moved/Seconded**

The Secretary Treasurer reported that the school district financial statements will continue to be audited by an auditor appointed by the Board for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2020 to June 30, 2022.

THAT the Board: appoint BDO Canada LLP as auditors for the Board for 2019/2020 and direct the Secretary Treasurer to promptly notify the auditor and the Minister of Education of the appointment.

**CARRIED**

- c) Facilities Planning
- d) Board Policy Development
- e) Education
- f) Aboriginal Education

**G. INFORMATION ITEMS**

- 1. Chairperson
- 2. Superintendent of Schools

- a) Superintendent's Update

**Moved/Seconded**

The Superintendent provided an update on school and district events.

THAT the Board receive the Superintendent's Verbal Update, for information.

**CARRIED**

- 3. Secretary Treasurer
- 4. Board Committees & Advisory Committee Reports

- a) Budget
- b) Finance
- c) Facilities Planning
- d) Board Policy Development

- i. Policy Updates

**Moved/Seconded**

The Secretary Treasurer reported that the Board Policy Development Committee has reviewed Policy 6810: Disposal of Land or Improvements and is not recommending any changes.

The Secretary Treasurer reported that Draft Policy 5700: Personal Information Protection and Access to Information and related procedures have been prepared with assistance from legal counsel.

The Secretary Treasurer further reported that Draft Policy 9415: Inclusive Education was prepared with input from the Education Committee and has been reviewed by legal counsel.

THAT the Board receive for information:

- Policy 6810: Disposal of Land or Improvements
- Procedure 5700.1: Management of Access Requests
- Procedure 5700.2: Routine Requests and Access to Public Information of the Board
- Procedure 5700.3: Personal Information Protection

And Further:

THAT the Board receive for information and continuation with the consultation process:

- Policy 5700: Personal Information Protection
- Policy 9415: Inclusive Schools

**CARRIED**

- e) Education
- f) Aboriginal Education

**H. TRUSTEE MOTIONS AND NOTICES OF MOTIONS**

**I. TRUSTEE REPORTS**

1. BC School Trustees Association
  - a) BCSTA Draft 2020/2021 Budget

Trustee Murray reported that Boards of Education are invited to provide feedback on BCSTA's 2020/2021 draft budget.

Maple Ridge-Pitt Meadows Arts Council.

Trustee Sullivan reported that the Arts Council is reviewing their emergency procedures and that tours of the art gallery have increased.

Good News Items

Trustee Shaw attended the production of "Little Shop of Horrors" at Thomas Haney Secondary; Trustee Dumore attended a gifted conference at Bonson Community Centre and judged the Youth and Philanthropy Initiative event at Garibaldi Secondary School; Trustee Yamamoto participated in "Putting on the Glitz" at Thomas Haney Secondary School and thanked the Social Justice Committee for their presentation for International Women's Day; Trustee Sullivan remarked at the excellent Aboriginal Education Student Forum; Trustee Murray spoke to a recent meeting with Minister Simpson, Minister of Social Development and Poverty Reduction; Trustee Trudeau spoke to the Aboriginal Education Student Forum and Trustee Carreras attended a hospital gala fundraiser.

**L. QUESTION PERIOD**

Questions were posed on the following:

- Draft Policy 5700: Personal Information Protection and Access to Information
- Homestay Coordinators and COVID-19

**M. OTHER BUSINESS**

**N. ADJOURNMENT**

**Moved/Seconded**

THAT the Board adjourn the meeting.

**CARRIED**

The Public Board meeting adjourned at 7:02 p.m.



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Korleen Carreras, Chairperson



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Flavia Coughlan, Secretary Treasurer