



**PUBLIC MINUTES OF THE
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
Wednesday November 18, 2020 (6:00 PM)
Via Videoconference**

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
Compliance Coordinator – Rebecca Lyle

A. OPENING PROCEDURES

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

The Chairperson welcomed and thanked everyone for attending. The Chairperson advised that this meeting is being broadcasted live through the SD42 YouTube channel and on the school district website.

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. Electronic Board Meeting Procedures

B. ANNUAL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING MATTERS

1. Annual Report of Chairperson

Moved/Seconded

Chairperson Carreras presented the Annual Report of the Chairperson 2019/20 reporting on the board's key strategic initiatives.

THAT the Board receive the Annual Report of the Chairperson, for information.

CARRIED

2. Election of Board Officers/Nomination and Election

Moved/Seconded

THAT the Board approve Procedure 2915.1: Trustee Elections – Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson.

CARRIED

Moved/Seconded

THAT the Board proceed to elect a new Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson following the nomination and election procedure outlined in Procedure 2915.1.

CARRIED

The Secretary Treasurer became the Chairperson pro-tem for the election of Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson.

The Secretary Treasurer called for nominations for Chairperson of the Board for a one-year term. A seconder was not required for nominations.

Trustee Murray nominated Trustee Carreras.

The Secretary Treasurer called for any further nominations. There were no further nominations. The Secretary Treasurer asked Trustee Carreras if she accepted the nomination.

Trustee Carreras Accepted the nomination.

The Secretary Treasurer called for a second time for nominations for Chairperson of the Board for a one-year term. The Secretary Treasurer then called for a third and final time for nominations for the position of Chairperson of the Board. There were no other nominations.

It was then announced by acclamation that the duly elected Chairperson of the Board of Education of School District No. 42 (Maple Ridge-Pitt Meadows) for a one-year period ended November 2021 is **Trustee Carreras.**

The Secretary Treasurer called for nominations for the position of Vice-Chairperson of the Board for a one-year term. A seconder was not required for nominations.

Trustee Murray nominated Trustee Yamamoto.

The Secretary Treasurer called for any further nominations.

Trustee Dumore nominated Trustee Trudeau.

The Secretary Treasurer asked Trustee Yamamoto if she accepted the nomination.

Trustee Yamamoto Accepted the nomination.

The Secretary Treasurer asked Trustee Trudeau if she accepted the nomination.

Trustee Trudeau Accepted the nomination.

The Secretary Treasurer called for a second time for nominations for Vice-Chairperson for a one-year term. The Secretary Treasurer called for a third and final time for nominations for Chairperson for a one-year term. There were no other nominations.

The Secretary Treasurer asked Trustee Yamamoto and Trustee Trudeau if they would like to speak to their nominations. Trustee Yamamoto and Trustee Trudeau spoke to their nominations.

The Secretary Treasurer called for the following motion:

Moved/Seconded

THAT Sylvia Russell, Harry Dhillon, Irena Pochop, Karen Yoxall and Rebecca Lyle be appointed scrutineers for the election of Vice-Chairperson.

CARRIED

The Secretary Treasurer requested that the scrutineer's set-up and launch an online anonymous poll.

Trustees cast their vote for Vice-Chairperson through the online anonymous poll. The scrutineers reported the results of the online anonymous poll to the Secretary Treasurer.

The Secretary Treasurer announced that the duly elected Vice-Chairperson of the Board of Education of School District No. 42 (Maple Ridge-Pitt Meadows), for a one-year period ended November 2021 is **Trustee Yamamoto**.

Moved/Seconded

THAT the scrutineers delete the online poll results for the election of Vice-Chairperson and that the scrutineers are discharged with gratitude.

CARRIED

3. Remarks of Board Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson

The Board Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson thanked everyone.

C. OPENING PROCEDURES: ORDINARY BUSINESS MEETING MATTERS

1. Correspondence

Moved/Seconded

- S. Higginson, BC School Trustees Association
- F. Lento, Board Chairperson, School District No.5 (Southeast Kootenay)
- J. Horne, Board Chairperson, School District No. 52 (Prince Rupert)

THAT the Board receive all correspondence, for information.

CARRIED

2. Approval of Agenda

Moved/Seconded

THAT the Agenda be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

3. Invitation for Public Input to matters on the Agenda

The Chairperson advised that members of the public were able to provide input on decision items on the Agenda by emailing board@sd42.ca by no later than 5:30 pm on November 18, 2020.

The Secretary Treasurer shared with Trustees the public input received on Item 5: Establishment of a Parent Advisory Council at SD42 Odyssey K-9.

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. October 21, 2020

Moved/Seconded

THAT the Minutes of the October 21, 2020 Public Board meeting be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

E. PRESENTATIONS

F. DELEGATIONS

G. DEFERRED ITEMS

H. DECISION ITEMS

1. Chairperson
2. Superintendent of Schools

- a) Establishment of Parent Advisory Council: SD42 Odyssey K-9

Moved/Seconded

As per Section 8 (1) of the School Act, parents of students of school age attending a school or a Provincial school may apply to the board as the case may be, to establish a parent's advisory council for that school.

THAT the Board approve the establishment of a Parent Advisory Council at SD42 Odyssey K-9.

CARRIED

3. Secretary Treasurer
4. Board Committees
 - a) Budget
 - b) Finance
 - c) Facilities Planning
 - d) Board Policy Development
 - e) Education
 - f) Aboriginal Education

I. INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Chairperson
2. Superintendent of Schools
 - a) Superintendents Update

Moved/Seconded

The Superintendent reported that school districts do not need to change their health and safety procedures as a result of the new COVID-19 prevention regional measures issued by the Provincial Health Officer. The Superintendent provided an update on the school districts response to the pandemic.

The Superintendent reported on school activities.

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

CARRIED

3. Secretary Treasurer
4. Board Committees & Advisory Committee Reports
 - a) Budget
 - b) Finance
 - c) Facilities Planning
 - d) Board Policy Development
 - e) Education
 - f) Aboriginal Education

J. TRUSTEE MOTIONS AND NOTICES OF MOTIONS

K. TRUSTEE REPORTS

BCSTA: Provincial Council Meeting

Trustee Carreras reported on the action items and motions that were carried and/or defeated at the October 24, 2020 Provincial Council meeting.

BCSTA: 2021/22 Budget Preparation

Trustee Murray reported that Boards of Education have been asked to submit feedback on the BCSTA 2021/22 budget.

BCSTA: Indigenous Education Committee Meeting

Trustee Trudeau reported that Boards of Education are invited to respond to an online survey on the BCSEA and UNDRIP.

BCSTA: Professional Learning Committee Meeting

Trustee Shaw reported on the planning undertaken for the upcoming Trustee Academy.

BCSTA: Fraser Valley Branch Meeting

Trustee Carreras reported that the opportunity for roundtable discussions and trustee sharing was helpful to attendees and that reports from BCSTA, BCPSEA and the Professional Learning Committee were received.

District Parent Advisory Council

Trustee Yamamoto reported that a presentation by Family Smart was received and that Partner Groups, the Superintendent and trustees provided updates.

Maple Ridge and Pitt Meadows Arts Council

Trustee Sullivan reported that funding opportunities, programs and upcoming shows were discussed.

Social Policy Advisory

Trustee Dumore reported that among the items discussed were the SPAC Work Plan, Youth Planning Table Strategy and the 2021 meeting schedule.

Good News

Trustee Dumore spoke to her attendance virtually in the SOGI 123 Summit and COVID-19 food security in BC Schools course; Trustee Murray spoke to the work that Trustee Dumore is doing in coordinating the Salvation Army Kettle Campaign; Trustee Murray noted that money raised by the Salvation Army helps support families and students in the district; Trustee Shaw commented on the hard work of two students; Trustee Trudeau spoke of the Halloween drive-through organized by the Golden Ears Metis Society and of the online Remembrance Day ceremonies in schools; Trustee Yamamoto recognized the work of an Eric Langton parent who has collected warm clothing for students in need and Trustee Sullivan thanked staff for their hard work and appreciated being able to view the online Remembrance Day ceremonies that took place in schools.

L. QUESTION PERIOD

Questions were posed on the following:

- CUPE presentation at the District Parent Advisory Council Meeting
- Staff concerns regarding COVID-19
- Trustee Elections: Length of office for Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson

M. OTHER BUSINESS

N. ADJOURNMENT

Moved/Seconded

THAT the Board adjourn the meeting.

CARRIED

The Public Board meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.


Korleen Carreras, Chairperson


Flavia Coughlan, Secretary Treasurer