

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF  
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 37 (DELTA)

DATE, TIME AND PLACE: November 5, 2013 7:30 p.m.  
District Administration Building

PRESENT: Trustees: L. Dixon, Chairperson  
D. Burke  
N. Kanakos  
F. Milat  
S. Truelove  
V. Windsor  
  
D. Turner, Superintendent of Schools  
G. Ayres, Deputy Superintendent  
N. Christ, Director,  
Finance & Management Services  
F. Geyer, Director, Facilities & Planning  
N. Gordon, Director, Learning Services  
K. Guild, Director, Special Programs  
T. Johnson, District Principal,  
Learning Services  
D. Michaud, Communications Manager  
T. Nelson, Administrative Assistant  
D. Sheppard, Assistant Superintendent  
J. Strain, Secretary-Treasurer/  
Director, Human Resources

ABSENT: Trustees: D. Saip

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Dixon called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

M/S Trustees Windsor/Kanakos  
THAT the agenda be adopted as distributed with the amendment to add item 7c – Field Trip.

CARRIED

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INTRODUCTION OF NEW ADMINISTRATORS

Ms. Dianne Turner, Superintendent of Schools, introduced the following new Administrators:

- Ms. Patricia Wilson – Vice-Principal at Richardson Elementary.
- Ms. Tara Fisher – Vice-Principal at Hawthorne Elementary.

Chairperson Dixon introduced the following partner group representatives in the audience:

- Mr. Simon Isbister, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President of the Delta Teachers' Association.
- Mr. Aaron Akune & Mr. Ashif Jiwa, Representatives for the Association of Delta School Administrators.

CONTINUING EDUCATION

Mr. Ted Johnson, District Principal of Learning Services, provided an update on Continuing Education including Academies, Continuing Education, Delta Access, Continuing Education (Academic), HomeQuest and Summer School.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

M/S Trustees Kanakos/Truelove

THAT the Minutes of the meeting of October 8, 2013 be approved.

CARRIED

BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT

Trustee Kanakos reported on the following events and committee meetings he recently attended:

- DYAC meeting at Seaquam Secondary, facilitated by Mr. Johnson and Ms. Teresa Phillips, District Vice-Principal of Choice & Academy Programs. Students reviewed the Tell Them From Me Survey results.
- ADSA Conference.
- An Evening with DeDe DeRose, Superintendent of Aboriginal Achievement with the Ministry of Education, on how to include Aboriginal content into our schools. It was a collaborative partnership with the Richmond School District. Also attended by Chairperson Dixon, Trustees Burke and Windsor, Ms. Turner and Mr. Ayres.

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Trustee Windsor reported on the following events and committee meetings she recently attended:

- Delview Secondary's Thanks for Giving on October 10<sup>th</sup>, which raised over 15,000 canned goods and \$800 in cash donations. It was an incredible evening with lots of energy, and was also attended by Chairperson Dixon, Ms. Turner, and Ms. Gordon who was volunteering at the event.
- We Day at Rogers Arena on October 18<sup>th</sup> was an inspirational day with keynote speaker Martin Luther King Jr. Trustee Windsor attended with students from Heath Traditional Elementary. Students had to earn their way to attend the event. Also attended by Chairperson Dixon, Mr. Sheppard and Mr. Ayres.
- BCSTA Provincial Council meeting on October 25 & 26. Trustees met with Rob Wood, the new Deputy Minister of Education, and discussions included BCPSEA being removed by the Ministry as a bargaining agent. A BCSTA Bargaining Task Force has been developed (which Chairperson Dixon sits on).

Trustee Burke reported on the following events and committee meetings he recently attended:

- DPAC meeting on October 21<sup>st</sup> which included a presentation by Ms. Guild and Ms. Diane Jubinville, District Vice-Principal of Aboriginal Programs. They provided an overview on Special Programs, and the integration of Aboriginal Programs into our schools, including Professional Development opportunities. The meeting was also attended by Chairperson Dixon.
- BCPSEA Symposium on October 24 & 25, where attendees were assured it was business as usual. Speakers included Mr. Michael Marchbank, Public Administrator, and the Honourable Peter Fassbender, Minister of Education. Information was provided on class size and composition, Human Resources in our district, and an update on arbitration was provided.
- An Evening with Dede DeRose.
- Read the Day Away on November 1<sup>st</sup> at Gray Elementary.

Chairperson Dixon reported on the following events and committee meetings she recently attended:

- A visit to Byrne Creek School in Burnaby to see the community based school model, also attended by Trustee Windsor.
- We Day.
- The Delta Literacy Committee will be meeting this month, and Ms. Gordon will be speaking on inquiry based learning and the direction of the School District. The Delta Literacy Committee is a partnership between the Delta School District, Fraser Valley Regional Library, and the Boys and Girls Club.
- Mckee House Fright Fest which featured a haunted house by South Delta Secondary theatre students, and a performance by the Delta Secondary Dance Academy.
- Read the Day Away at Gray Elementary.

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Chairperson Dixon also noted there are many community volunteers (a lot of former teachers) working with an organization called Afretech Aid Society. They ship school supplies and resources to African schools in need. If anyone has any supplies or resources, please contact Bonnie Sutherland at [afretech@dccnet.com](mailto:afretech@dccnet.com).

CAPITAL BYLAW – DISPOSAL OF ADULT LEARNING CENTRE PROPERTY

M/S Trustees Kanakos/Windsor

THAT approval be given for three readings at one meeting of the Capital Bylaw - Disposal of Delview Adult Learning Centre Property.

THAT the Capital Bylaw - Disposal of Delview Adult Learning Centre Property be given three readings and adopted.

CARRIED

M/S Trustees Kanakos/Windsor

THAT the Capital Bylaw - Disposal of Delview Adult Learning Centre Property be given a FIRST Reading.

CARRIED

M/S Trustees Burke/Truelove

THAT the Capital Bylaw - Disposal of Delview Adult Learning Centre Property be given a SECOND Reading.

CARRIED

M/S Trustees Windsor/Burke

THAT the Capital Bylaw - Disposal of Delview Adult Learning Centre Property be given a THIRD Reading and Adopted.

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CAPITAL PROJECT AMENDMENT BYLAW NO. 126628-02 – 2012/2013 ANNUAL  
FACILITIES GRANT

M/S Trustees Kanakos/Windsor

THAT approval be given for three readings at one meeting of the Capital Project Amendment Bylaw No. 126628-02.

THAT the Capital Project Amendment Bylaw No. 126628-02 specifying a maximum expenditure by the Province of British Columbia of \$2,224,685 be given three readings and adopted.

CARRIED

M/S Trustees Windsor/Kanakos

THAT the Capital Project Amendment Bylaw No. 126628-02 specifying a maximum expenditure by the Province of British Columbia of \$2,224,685 be given a FIRST Reading.

CARRIED

M/S Trustees Burke/Truelove

THAT the Capital Project Amendment Bylaw No. 126628-02 specifying a maximum expenditure by the Province of British Columbia of \$2,224,685 be given a SECOND Reading.

CARRIED

M/S Trustees Milat/Kanakos

THAT the Capital Project Amendment Bylaw No. 126628-02 specifying a maximum expenditure by the Province of British Columbia of \$2,224,685 be given a THIRD Reading and Adopted.

CARRIED

FIELD TRIP

In accordance with Administrative Procedure 260, the Board was advised of the following multiple-day field trip:

- Seaquam Secondary – Field trip to Tokyo, Tsukuba and Nikko, Japan from November 21-December 1, 2013.

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DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

December 10, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.      Delta School Board Office  
4585 Harvest Drive  
Delta, BC

ADJOURNMENT

M/S Trustees Windsor/Kanakos

THAT the Delta School Board meeting of November 5, 2013 be adjourned.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT: 8:33 p.m.

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Chairperson

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Secretary-Treasurer