

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

DATE, TIME AND PLACE: April 22, 2014 7:30 p.m.  
District Administration Building

PRESENT: Trustees: L. Dixon, Chairperson  
D. Burke  
N. Kanakos  
F. Milat  
D. Saip  
S. Truelove  
V. Windsor

D. Turner, Superintendent of Schools  
D. Annett, Director, International Programs  
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

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Dixon called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

M/S Trustees Windsor/Truelove  
THAT the agenda be adopted as distributed.

CARRIED

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DISTRICT SCIENCE FAIR

Mr. Doug Sheppard, Assistant Superintendent, introduced Science Fair Coordinators Ms. Karen Reid, Teacher at Hawthorne Elementary, and Mr. Favian Yee, Teacher at North Delta Secondary. Ms. Reid introduced Neilson Grove students who shared their projects on “Cleaning Up Oil Spills” and “That Sinking Feeling”.

SEAQUAM SECONDARY JAPANESE EXCHANGE

Ms. Dianne Turner, Superintendent of Schools, introduced Mr. Toby Mundy, Teacher at Seaquam Secondary, and Deputy Consul General Akira Uchida. Students from Seaquam Secondary participated in a 10 day study tour to Japan in November 2013, and welcomed students from Japan for 10 days in March of this year. Seaquam Secondary students shared their experiences and the benefits of the exchange. Mr. Uchida spoke about the exchange and shared the benefits of providing students with a first-hand experience in each other’s country and culture. Mr. Uchida wished the students the best of luck with their studies and future, and gave his best wishes to the District for their future relationship with Shimodate Dai-Ichi High School. Mr. Mundy spoke about the relationship with Shimodate Dai-Ichi High School, and the following motion was brought forward in principle:

M/S Trustees Windsor/Kanakos

THAT in principle the Board supports Seaquam Secondary School continuing their relationship with Shimodate Dai-Ichi High School in Japan.

CARRIED

Chairperson Dixon thanked Mr. Mundy, the students, and Mr. Uchida for attending this evening, and is looking forward to hearing about the future relationship between the two schools.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

M/S Trustees Saip/Milat

THAT the Minutes of the Regular meeting of April 15, 2014 be approved.

CARRIED

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BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT

Trustee Kanakos reported on the following events he recently attended:

- Hawthorne Elementary's Open House for their new Sensory Room, also attended by Trustee Windsor.
- The Delta Police Department's Strategic Planning Meeting, where the theme was youth in crime and strategies for dealing with it. This meeting was also attended by Trustees Truelove and Windsor, and Chairperson Dixon.
- Delta School District Holocaust Symposium at South Delta Secondary, which was live-streamed at several schools across Canada.
- Delta District Science Fair on March 5<sup>th</sup> at Scottsdale Centre.
- An Evening with Wab Kinew on April 14<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Kinew is role model for Aboriginal youth, and presented on igniting the creative fire within.

Chairperson Dixon reported on the following events and upcoming meetings:

- The Wab Kinew presentation was a compelling topic and wonderful presentation.
- The BC School Trustees Association (BCSTA) AGM is being held later this week.

Chairperson Dixon congratulated Devon Gardens Elementary on their 50<sup>th</sup> Birthday (event also attended by Trustee Windsor), and thanked Trustees for all of their hard work with the budget.

ADOPTION OF THE 2014/2015 BUDGET

M/S Trustees Saip/Windsor

THAT approval be given for three readings at one meeting of the Annual Budget Bylaw.

CARRIED

M/S Trustees Kanakos/Milat

THAT the Annual Budget Bylaw specifying a total budget bylaw amount of \$159,999,033 for the 2014/2015 fiscal year be given a FIRST Reading.

CARRIED

M/S Trustees Saip/Truelove

THAT the Annual Budget Bylaw specifying a total budget bylaw amount of \$159,999,033 for the 2014/2015 fiscal year be given a SECOND Reading.

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M/S Trustees Saip/Windsor

THAT the Annual Budget Bylaw specifying a total budget bylaw amount of \$159,999,033 for the 2014/2015 fiscal year be given a THIRD Reading and Adopted.

CARRIED

Chairperson Dixon thanked Trustees for their thoughtful consideration, and thanked the Budget Committee, Mr. Strain, Ms. Christ, and the Finance Team.

BASEBALL 10 AND 11 BAA COURSES

M/S Trustees Kanakos/Saip

THAT the Delta Board of School Trustees approve the Baseball 10 and 11 BAA Courses.

CARRIED

DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

May 13, 2014 at 7:30 p.m.

Delta School Board Office  
4585 Harvest Drive  
Delta, BC

ADJOURNMENT

M/S Trustees Saip/Windsor

THAT the Delta School Board meeting of April 22, 2014 be adjourned.

CARRIED

Chairperson Dixon thanked Ms. Vicki Huntington, MLA Delta South, for attending this evening's meeting. Ms. Huntington complimented the Board on the amazing job they are doing given the difficult times.

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ADJOURNMENT: 8:35 p.m.

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Chairperson

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Secretary-Treasurer