

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

DATE, TIME AND PLACE: September 29, 2015 7:30 p.m.
District Administration Building

PRESENT: Trustees: L. Dixon, Chairperson
R. Bennett
N. Kanakos
F. Milat
B. Reid
D. Saip
V. Windsor

D. Turner, Superintendent of Schools
R. Allnutt, Director, Human Resources
D. Annett, Director, International Programs
B. Bauman, Director, Learning Services –
Special Programs
N. Christ, Director,
Finance & Management Services
F. Geyer, Director, Facilities & Planning
N. Gordon, Assistant Superintendent
T. Johnson, District Principal,
Learning Services
D. Michaud, Communications Manager
T. Nelson-Trick, Executive Assistant
D. Sheppard, Assistant Superintendent
N. Stephenson, Director, Learning Services
J. Strain, Secretary-Treasurer

CALL TO ORDER

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

CARRIED

Chairperson Dixon opened the meeting by acknowledging the traditional territory of the Tsawwassen and Musqueam First Nations, and all of the Coast Salish peoples who have been stewards of this land since time immemorial.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

M/S Trustees Kanakos/Milat
THAT the agenda be adopted as distributed.

CARRIED

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INTRODUCTION OF NEW ADMINISTRATORS AND COORDINATOR

Mr. Doug Sheppard, Assistant Superintendent (North Zone), introduced the following new Administrators:

- Mr. Richard Kirincic – District Administrator in Human Resources
- Mr. John Mann – Principal at Jarvis Traditional Elementary
- Mr. Niels Nielsen – Vice-Principal at Jarvis Traditional Elementary
- Colin Sharpe – Vice-Principal at North Delta Secondary

Ms. Nancy Gordon, Assistant Superintendent (South Zone) introduced the following new Administrators:

- Ms. Jann Kwasnicki – Vice-Principal at Holly Elementary
- Mr. Mark Douangchanh – Principal at Port Guichon Elementary

Mr. Neil Stephenson, Director of Learning Services introduced the following new Administrator and Coordinator in Education Programs:

- Ms. Brooke Moore – District Principal of Innovation & Inquiry
- Mr. Jacob Martens – Coordinator of Mathematics

Mr. Brad Bauman, Director of Learning Services – Special Programs, introduced the following new Coordinator in Special Programs:

- Ms. Karen McDonald – Aboriginal Success Coordinator

Chairperson Dixon congratulated everyone on their new roles, and thanked them for taking on leadership roles to help with student success in Delta.

SQWIQW'L CENTRES – "SQWIQW'L" MEANS "SPEAKER" IN THE HUN'QUMI'NUM
LANGUAGE OF THE TSAWWASSEN FIRST NATION

Mr. Brad Bauman, Director of Learning Services – Special Programs, introduced Ms. Diane Jubinville, District Vice-Principal of Aboriginal Programs, Ms. Karen McDonald, Aboriginal Success Coordinator, and Ms. Chrystalynn Gurniak, Tsawwassen First Nation's Education and Skills Development Manager, who provided a presentation on Sqwiqw'l Centres, A Coast Salish Themed Oral Language Program, that was developed collaboratively between the Delta School District and Tsawwassen First Nation.

Trustee Windsor thanked the Tsawwassen First Nation for their collaboration and partnership with the school district.

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WORLD TEACHERS' DAY

Chairperson Dixon and Ms. Dianne Turner, Superintendent of Schools, recognized the talent and incredible expertise teachers bring in their role in educating students in Delta, and thanked them for all of their hard work and dedication. Delta teachers and all other staff will be receiving a chocolate bar on Monday, October 5th, with the Bold Vision, and a message of gratitude on the wrapper.

Chairperson Dixon introduced the following partner group representatives:

- Mr. John Mann and Mr. Mark Douangchanh, Representatives from the Association of Delta School Administrators
- Ms. Susan Yao – Representative from the Delta Teachers' Association

Chairperson Dixon also introduced a special guest, Ms. Carol Cahoon, Trustee with the Coquitlam Board of Education.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

M/S Trustees Kanakos/Windsor

THAT the Minutes of the Regular meeting of June 9, 2015 be approved.

CARRIED

BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT

Trustee Windsor reported that she along with Chairperson Dixon, met with local MLA's to discuss budget. Trustee Windsor also mentioned that various committee meetings now starting up for the new school year.

Trustee Bennett advised that September 30th is Orange Shirt Day, in honour of residential school survivors, and a chance for First Nations, local governments, schools and communities to come together in the spirit of reconciliation and hope for generations of children to come. Ms. Deneka Michaud, Communications Manager, has sent a memo to all staff encouraging them to participate, and provided a website link for those that would like more information.

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2014/2015 AUDITOR'S REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

M/S Trustees Windsor/Kanakos

THAT the 2014/2015 Auditor's Report of the Delta School District be accepted.

AND

THAT the consolidated Financial Statements as at June 30, 2015, and the related notes to the Financial Statements, as audited by the firm of Pricewaterhouse Coopers LLP, be approved.

CARRIED

Chairperson Dixon thanked Mr. Strain, Ms. Christ and the Finance Department for all of their hard work.

FIELD TRIP

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

- South Delta Secondary – Field trip to Seattle, Washington from September 26-27, 2015. Ms. Turner was pleased to announce that the football team won the game.

DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

October 13, 2015 at 7:30 p.m. Delta School Board Office
4585 Harvest Drive
Delta, BC

ADJOURNMENT

M/S Trustees Reid/Windsor

THAT the Delta School Board meeting of September 29, 2015 be adjourned.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT: 8:04 p.m.

Chairperson

Secretary-Treasurer