

## RECOGNITION CEREMONY

The following students were recognized at the Recognition Ceremony held at 7:00 p.m. prior to the Regular Board meeting:

- Harbans Gill – First place in the Upper Fraser Valley Championships in the 84 kg division for Wrestling.
- Seaquam Secondary's Varsity Football Team – First place in the Provincial AA Football Championships.
- South Delta Secondary's Senior Field Hockey Team – First place in the Fraser Valley AAA Championships.

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

DATE, TIME AND PLACE:                      February 28, 2017                      7:30 p.m.  
District Administration Building

PRESENT:

Trustees:                      L. Dixon, Chairperson  
   R. Bennett  
   N. Kanakos  
   F. Milat  
   V. Windsor

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

ABSENT:

Trustees:                      B. Reid  
   D. Saip

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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 Windsor/Kanakos  
THAT the agenda be adopted as distributed.

CARRIED

PUBLIC INPUT TO THE 2017/2018 BUDGET

The following provided input for the 2017/2018 Budget:

- Ms. Donna Burke, President of Reach Child and Youth Development Society.

EDUCATION PROGRAMS

Mr. Neil Stephenson, Director of Learning Services, provided an update on Education Programs highlighting the following areas:

- Major Initiatives:
  - Communicating Student Learning (Benchmarks, Supports, Tailgates)
  - Revised Curriculum Supports (Learner Grants, Curriculum Days, Core Competencies)
  - Coordinator of Inquiry Program
  - Mentorship (with TTOCs)
- Professional Learning:
  - Wide range of “Integrated/Collaborative” Professional Learning
  - Primary Reading (Professional Literacy Cohorts)
  - Math/Science Resource Cohorts (Intermediate)
  - Secondary Math Dinner Series

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- Other Initiatives:
  - Leadership for Innovative Teaching and Learning (Raj Dhasi)
  - Google Read&Write
  - Assessment for Learning (3 year focus)
  - 180 Days of Learning
  - ADST Pilot

Chairperson Dixon noted that assessment for learning is going to be the key platform around student learning, and she looks forward to that particular area as staff delve deeper.

Chairperson Dixon introduced the following guests in the audience:

- Principals – Mr. Aaron Akune, Mr. Taj Reel and Mr. Alex Watson, and Vice-Principals – Mr. Mark Robinson and Mr. Mark Woloshen.
- Mr. Keith Punshon, Chair of the Delta Parent Advisory Council.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

M/S Trustees Windsor/Kanakos

THAT the Minutes of the Regular meeting of January 10, 2017 be approved.

CARRIED

BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT

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

- BCSTA Provincial Council meeting on February 17 & 18, which included BCSTA's Sector Leaders Speaker Series (similar to Delta's Ignite), and the passing of motions to increase BCSTA member fees, and receipt of the 2017/2018 Draft Budgets (which has a slight increase of 1.2% added for Delta which equals \$530 (the budget will go to the AGM first)). The following 4 Motions to Provincial Council were also passed: 1) Fraser Valley Branch Constitution and Bylaws 2) Funding of Direct and Indirect Costs Arising from Supreme Court of Canada Decision 3) Recruitment and Retention in Northern Districts 4) Syrian Refugee Funding.
- Battle of the Badges at Sungod Arena in support of anti-bullying campaigns on Pink Shirt Day, also attended by Chairperson Dixon and Senior Staff. It was a very well-run hockey game. All of the players treated each other with respect, the students were great, and the anti-bullying message got across.
- District Science Fair at Scottsdale Mall on March 2nd.

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

- BC Public School Employers' Association AGM, where contract issues were briefly discussed. The AGM was also attended by Mr. Allnutt.
- District Emergency Preparedness Committee meeting – It is good to know the district is in good hands if an emergency was to occur.
- Delta Secondary's Girls Basketball – Trustee Kanakos watched some really good games (including versus North Delta Secondary), and is impressed with the quality of basketball. He would like to thank the coaches and staff members for helping Delta's students develop socially and physically.

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

- DPAC – Two meetings the first with Trustees & Senior Staff in January and second meeting on school district Budgeting, and perhaps not surprisingly, considerable discussion about recent winter conditions and operations in the District.
- Liaison Committee – The Corporation of Delta's Parks and Rec Department introduced Reg Wilford, the new Manager of Culture and Museum Services, and the committee discussed how the Corporation of Delta and the Delta School District can work together on the new service delivery model which will see displays at many different sites throughout Delta.
- Alternate Education Review – Thank you to staff who put together a half day symposium with students about Delta's Alternate Education Programs. The students were very engaged and Chairperson Dixon appreciated the time they took to speak with Trustees. Their ideas and suggestions will make a difference
- Metro Branch of BCSTA Meeting – There was unanimous support from Member Metro Districts to support Val Windsor's Notice of Motion: THAT BCSTA encourage the Ministry of Education to continue funding the Teacher mentorship programme presently jointly sponsored by Ministry of Education, BCSTA, BCSSA and BCTF. This motion will be a resolution at the BCSTA's Spring AGM.
- North Delta Secondary School's Flash Mob – Thank you to staff, community member Sean Bindra, and BC Lion Travis Lulay, who came out with 1,000 students for a flash mob in support of anti-bullying on February 21<sup>st</sup>. It was a very fun way to demonstrate Delta students' commitment to keep their schools safe, inclusive, and a welcoming place to learn for all.
- Battle of the Badges - Pink shirt day in Delta had many events throughout schools but the largest was Battle of the Badges. Thank you to the organizing committee from the Police Foundation, the Delta School District, the Delta Firefighters Charitable Society and the Parks and Recreation Department who hosted well over a 1,000 students from across the District to a hockey game at Sungod Arena between the Delta Firefighters and Delta Police. Great leadership from some of Delta's community heroes reminding students to #CHOOSEKINDNESS.
- Thank you to North Delta Rotary who held a fundraiser this past weekend with proceeds to benefit the Starfish Backpack Program which is now operating in a number of Delta Schools. Your caring and support of Delta students is very much appreciated.

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BOARD/AUTHORITY AUTHORIZED (BAA) COURSES

M/S Trustees Bennett/Milat

THAT the Delta Board of Education approve Baking Arts and Crafts 11 and Current Events and World Issues 12.

CARRIED

Trustee Bennett noted it would be great to have the Current Events and World Issues course as part of the core curriculum. If there is anything she can do to support, speak to or provide contacts for if they are discussing Indigenous issues, Trustee Bennett asked Mr. Mundy to please let her know.

2016/2017 AMENDED BUDGET

M/S Trustees Milat/Kanakos

THAT the Board of Education give approval for three readings at one meeting of the 2016/2017 Amended Annual Budget Bylaw.

THAT the 2016/2017 Amended Annual Budget Bylaw in the amount of \$173,905,539 be given three readings and adopted.

CARRIED

M/S Trustees Kanakos/Milat

THAT the 2016/2017 Amended Annual Budget Bylaw in the amount of \$173,905,539 be given a FIRST Reading.

CARRIED

M/S Trustees Bennett/Windsor

THAT the 2016/2017 Amended Annual Budget Bylaw in the amount of \$173,905,539 be given a SECOND Reading.

CARRIED

M/S Trustees Milat/Windsor

THAT the 2016/2017 Amended Annual Budget Bylaw in the amount of \$173,905,539 be given a THIRD Reading and Adopted.

CARRIED

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

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APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS

M/S Trustees Windsor/Kanakos

THAT the Delta Board of Education appoint the successful proponent, PriceWaterhouseCoopers, as its auditor for the three year term from 2016/17 to 2018/19.

CARRIED

FIELD TRIPS

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

- Delview Secondary – Field trip to Italy from March 12-23, 2017.
- Sands Secondary – Field trip to Turkey and Greece from March 13-24, 2017.
- Seaquam Secondary – Field trip to France and England from March 13-21, 2017.
- South Delta Secondary Soccer Academy – Field trip to San Diego and Anaheim, California from March 9-16, 2017.

DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

March 28, 2017 at 7:30 p.m.                      Delta School Board Office  
4585 Harvest Drive  
Delta, BC

ADJOURNMENT

M/S Trustees Kanakos/Windsor

THAT the Delta School Board meeting of February 28, 2017 be adjourned.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT: 8:25 p.m.

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Chairperson

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Secretary-Treasurer