

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

DATE, TIME AND PLACE: April 11, 2017 7:30 p.m.
District Administration Building

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

D. Sheppard, Superintendent of Schools
R. Allnutt, Director, Human Resources
N. Christ, Director,
Finance & Management Services
F. Geyer, Director of Facilities & Planning
J. Hill, Communications & Marketing Manager
T. Johnson, District Principal,
Learning Services
T. Nelson-Trick, Executive Assistant
J. Strain, Secretary-Treasurer

ABSENT: Trustees: F. Milat

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/Windsor
THAT the agenda be adopted as distributed.

CARRIED

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NATIONAL DAY OF MOURNING

Ms. Patti Price, President of CUPE Local 1091, provided a presentation on the National Day of Mourning. The National Day of Mourning is observed on April 28 of each year to commemorate workers who have been killed, injured, or suffered illness due to workplace related hazards and incidents, and to help strengthen the commitment to creating healthy and safe workplaces. Six members of CUPE Local 1091 will be attending the ceremony in Victoria on April 28. Ms. Price is requesting that the Delta Board of Education declare April 28 as the National Day of Mourning, and that the canary flag be raised at the School Board Office. Ms. Price invited Chairperson Dixon, Superintendent Sheppard, Trustees, Senior District Staff, and Delta Teachers' Association and Association of Delta School Administrators members to the raising of the flag at the School Board Office on April 28 at 7:30 am. As a token of appreciation, Ms. Eileen Penney, Secretary-Treasurer of CUPE Local 1091, presented Chairperson Dixon and Superintendent Sheppard with National Day of Mourning t-shirts.

M/S Trustees Bennett/Windsor

THAT April 28 be declared as the National Day of Mourning, and the canary flag be raised at the School Board Office.

CARRIED

Chairperson Dixon introduced the following guests in the audience:

- Mr. Aaron Akune, Representative for the Association of Delta School Administrators.
- Ms. Patti Price and Ms. Eileen Penney from CUPE Local 1091.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

M/S Trustees Saip/Reid

THAT the Minutes of the Regular meeting of March 28, 2017 be approved.

CARRIED

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

- The Holocaust Symposium at South Delta Secondary, also attended by Chairperson Dixon. The presentations by a survivor and an academic historian were very moving. The symposium was very appropriate as a number of students were taking part in the 100th Anniversary Celebrations of Canada's victory at Vimy Ridge.
- Heritage Fair at Gibson Elementary on April 7. There are some great projects coming forward to the Delta/Surrey Heritage Fair on April 28 & 29 at the Harris Barn.

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- South Fraser Regional Science Fair at Kwantlen Polytechnic University on April 6 & 7. Three Delta students were awarded medals at this year's Fair. Two students from Gray Elementary won a silver medal for their "Burn Baby Burn" project, and a student from Heath Traditional Elementary won a bronze medal for her project on heat conduction.
- Reach for the Stars Gala on April 8, also attended by Chairperson Dixon and Ms. Joanna Angelidis, Director of Learning Services – Inclusive Learning. The highlight of the evening was a young singing group, the Mayday Club Tough Choir, from Abbotsford. Their enthusiasm and passion was amazing. Trustee Windsor is pleased that Reach is very close to their fundraising goal.

Chairperson Dixon reported on changes to the upcoming Board meeting schedule:

- The April 18 meeting has been moved to April 25, and will be an opportunity for the public to provide input on the draft budget.
- A meeting has been added on May 2 for the consideration and approval of the budget.

These changes will provide an opportunity for the budget committee to complete some additional reporting on additional funding being allocated this year.

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

- Delta Parent Advisory Council's meeting last night, also attended by Superintendent Sheppard. Mr. Sheppard provided parents with the following updates:
 - The new report card strategies for parent engagement.
 - What it looks like in terms of new funding for teachers, and the review so far.
 - The Ministry's announcement on a new website tool for students and parents that will track achievements in education.
- BC School Center of Mental Health Coalition meeting where mindfulness and anti-bullying were discussed, and provincial updates were provided.
- Healthy Minds Healthy Campuses Pre-Summit – Discussions on how we are aligning mental health support for students as they transition into high school. There is more that needs to be done to make sure connections are well made so that students succeed.
- Trustees will be attending the upcoming BCSTA AGM at the end of the month.

CAPITAL BYLAW NO. 1718CP37-01

2017/18 SCHOOL ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM – CLIFF DRIVE ELEMENTARY

2017/18 SCHOOL BUS REPLACEMENT PROGRAM

M/S Trustees Saip/Kanakos

THAT approval be given for three readings at one meeting of the Capital Project Bylaw No. 1718CP37-01.

THAT the Capital Project Bylaw No. 1718CP37-01 be given three readings and adopted.

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M/S Trustees Saip/Windsor

THAT the Capital Project Bylaw No. 1718CP37-01 be given a FIRST Reading.

CARRIED

M/S Trustees Bennett/Reid

THAT the Capital Project Bylaw No. 1718CP37-01 be given a SECOND Reading.

CARRIED

M/S Trustees Reid/Kanakos

THAT the Capital Project Bylaw No. 1718CP37-01 be given a THIRD Reading and Adopted.

CARRIED

2016/2017 AUDIT PLAN

M/S Trustees Saip/Windsor

THAT the Delta Board of Education approve the 2016/2017 Audit Plan as presented.

CARRIED

FIELD TRIPS

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

- Delta Secondary – Field trip to Banff, Alberta from April 27-30, 2017.
- South Delta Secondary – Field trip to New York City from April 26-May 1, 2017.
- Delta Secondary – Field trip to Waterloo, Ontario from May 4-10, 2017.

DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

April 25, 2017 at 7:30 p.m.

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4585 Harvest Drive
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ADJOURNMENT

M/S Trustees Saip/Kanakos

THAT the Delta School Board meeting of April 11, 2017 be adjourned.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT: 8:00 p.m.

Chairperson

Secretary-Treasurer