

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 35 (LANGLEY)

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

MINUTES

Date: Tuesday, October 24, 2023 Location: **Langley School Board Office**

Trustees Present: Candy Ashdown Chairperson

> **Holly Dickinson Trustee Charlie Fox** Trustee Sarb Rai Trustee **Tony Ward** Trustee **Marnie Wilson** Trustee

Trustees Absent: Joel Neufeld **Trustee**

Staff Present: Mal Gill Superintendent

> Brian Iseli **Secretary-Treasurer Woody Bradford Deputy Superintendent** Lisa Lainchbury **Assistant Superintendent Marcello Moino Assistant Superintendent Shind Chand Assistant Secretary-Treasurer** Joanne Abshire **Communications Manager Pol Babao Technical Support Specialist 3**

> **Vincent Montefrio Technical Support Specialist 3**

Debbie Jones Executive Assistant

Partner Groups: Kim Anderson **LPVPA President**

> **Taylor Fauteux LTA President**

LTA Vice-President **Nancy Petersen**

Elva Morrison CUPE 1851 Vice President Michelle Smith **CUPE 1260 Member at Large**

1. AUDIO VISUAL RECORDING (LIVESTREAMING) OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Those in attendance were informed that as per Policy No. 7 - Regular and Special Meetings of the Board may be streamed live, archived and accessed online. The Board reserves, at its sole discretion, via motion at any meeting, the right to not stream live or archive a meeting or a portion of a meeting. Further, the Board reserves the right to edit any recorded portion of a meeting.

2. CALL TO ORDER

The Board Chair called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm, and began the meeting with the introduction stating: "I would like to acknowledge that the Langley School District is located on the traditional, ancestral and unceded territories of the Matsqui, Kwantlen, Katzie and Semiahmoo First Nations. We gather here tonight in an understanding of the importance of ya:yəstəl (y-eye yes tel) /sq'eq'o yoyes (sckecka y-eyes) (working together) and nəca?mat (not sa mot) /lets'emo:t (let sa mot) (uniting ourselves with one mind, one heart) to ensure that we support and inspire all learners to reach their full potential."

Chairperson welcomed everyone and introduced attendees.

3. REPORT FROM "IN CAMERA"

The Vice-Chair reported that the items discussed in the 'In Camera' meeting pertained to personnel.

The items discussed at the In Camera Meeting on September 19, 2023 pertained to personnel and property.

The items discussed at the Special In Camera Meeting on September 26, 2023 pertained to personnel.

4. <u>CONSENT AGENDA</u>

R23/10/24-01

Moved By: Trustee Fox

Seconded By: Trustee Dickinson

That the Board of Education adopts the consent agenda items as provided.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 4.1 CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES
- 4.2 COMMITTEE REPORTS
 - 4.2.1 EDUCATION/STRATEGIC PLAN COMMITTEE
 - 4.2.2 FINANCE AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE
 - 4.2.3 POLICY COMMITTEE
- 4.3 SCHOOL DISTRICT COMMITTEE REPORTS
 - 4.3.1 ABORIGINAL / ya:ýəstəl' (Assistant Superintendent Moino)
- 4.4 COMMUNITY COMMITTEE REPORTS
 - 4.4.1 CITY OF LANGLEY ADVISORY DESIGN PANEL (Trustee Ward)

5. <u>CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA</u>

R23/10/24-02

Moved By: Trustee Wilson **Seconded By:** Trustee Fox

That the Agenda be approved as presented.

6. <u>SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS</u>

6.1 BOUNDARY CHANGE PROCESS

R23/10/24-03

Moved By: Trustee Dickinson **Seconded By:** Trustee Ward

That the Board of Education receives the report on the Boundary Change Process for information, as received.

7. <u>SECRETARY-TREASURER'S REPORTS</u>

7.1 ANNUAL FIVE-YEAR CAPITAL PLAN BYLAW 2023-2024

R23/10/24-04

Moved By: Trustee Dickinson **Seconded By:** Trustee Ward

That the School District No. 35 (Langley) (Capital Plan 2023/2024) Capital Bylaw No. 2023/24-CPSD35-02 be given first reading.

R23/10/24-05

Moved By: Trustee Fox **Seconded By:** Trustee Rai

That the School District No. 35 (Langley) (Capital Plan 2023/2024) Capital Bylaw No. 2023/24-CPSD35-02 be given second reading.

R23/10/24-06

Moved By: Trustee Ward Seconded By: Trustee Wilson

That the Board of Education of School District No. 35 (Langley) approves having all three readings of the (Capital Plan 2023/2024) Capital Bylaw No. 2023/24-CPSD35-02 at tonight's meeting.

R23/10/24-07

Moved By: Trustee Dickinson **Seconded By:** Trustee Fox

That the School District No. 35 (Langley) (Capital Plan 2023/2024) Capital Bylaw No. 2023/24-CPSD35-02 be given third reading, passed and adopted on this 24th day of October 2023.

7.2 FUNDING AND ENROLMENT UPDATE

R23/10/24-08

Moved By: Trustee Dickinson Seconded By: Trustee Rai

That the Board of Education receives the Funding and Enrolment Update for information, as presented.

8. TRUSTEE COMMENTS

Trustees shared their appreciation to everyone for coming out to the meeting. They thanked staff for their hard work, especially during the last few months which have been challenging with fitting everyone in our classrooms. Appreciation and gratitude were expressed to the district for opening their arms and making room in our classrooms to refugees who are struggling.

9. **QUESTION PERIOD**

Question Period is provided at Board Meetings. The purpose is to ensure that those present in the audience have an opportunity to obtain clarification concerning business conducted during that meeting. Priority will be given to responding to one question per person before considering further questions from any individual.

The following will help the public develop questions for Question Period at a Board Meeting that is keeping with the goal of a respectful and focused meeting.

Questions:

- 1. Need to be directed to the Chair and not to staff;
- 2. Need to be related directly to the topic on the agenda;
- 3. Need to be succinct, focused and not be a statement;
- 4. May not be asked that are related to personnel or directed at an individual trustee;
- 5. May not be asked that are related to contract negotiations; and
- 6. The questioner shall provide their name so that it can be reflected in the minutes.

All of the above are directions provided for in Board Policy No. 7 - Board Operations. The Chair may answer, may defer to staff or indicate a question may not be in keeping with the above guidelines.

The Board appreciates the public's interest and wants to ensure a professional meeting is conducted, with Question Period focused on providing guests with the clarification they seek.

Trustees also welcome questions from members of the public apart from Question Period. Their contact information is available on the School District website.

The Chair called for questions from the public.

Questions were received from Evan regarding the modular acquisition, electric busses and enrolment projections. Questions were received from Rachel regarding enrolment numbers.

10. ADJOURNMENT

R23/10/24-09

Moved By: Trustee Wilson

Seconded By: Trustee Dickinson

That the meeting be adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

TRUSTEE CANDY ASHDOWN	BRIAN ISELI, CPA, CMA
BOARD CHAIR	SECRETARY-TREASURER