

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 35 (LANGLEY) REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Date:	Tuesday, June 18, 2024	
Location:	Langley School Board Office	
Trustees Present:	Candy Ashdown	Chairperson
	Holly Dickinson	Trustee
	Charlie Fox	Trustee
	Joel Neufeld	Trustee
	Sarb Rai	Trustee
	Tony Ward	Trustee
Trustees Absent:	Marnie Wilson	Trustee
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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
	Barbara Brine	HR Officer/Exempt Support
	Mike Pue	District Principal, Aboriginal Education
	Penny Carnrite	Teacher, Langley Fine Arts School
Partner Groups:	Jessie Cowger	CUPE 1260 Acting President
	Marlene Dixon	CUPE 1260 Acting Vice President
	Kim Anderson	LPVPA President
	Taylor Fauteux	LTA President
	Nancy Petersen	LTA Vice-President
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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. <u>CALL TO ORDER</u>

The Board Chair called the meeting to order at 7:02pm, 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 nəʿca?mat (*not sa mot*) /lets'emó: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.

2.1 ANNOUNCEMENT: NATIONAL INDIGENOUS HISTORY MONTH & NATIONAL INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY

The month of June is recognized in Canada as National Indigenous History Month. During this month, we take time to listen to, learn about and honour the stories, strength, resilience and leadership of First Nations, Inuit and Metis Peoples across Canada.

As part of National Indigenous History Month, June 21st is recognized as National Indigenous Peoples Day. The date was chosen to occur on the same day as the summer solstice, due to it's deep significance and strong connection to many Indigenous Peoples and their communities.

National Indigenous Peoples Day is an opportunity for all of us to celebrate the rich history, unique culture and diverse contributions of First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples. It is a day to recognize the immense contributions of Indigenous peoples to every facet of our community.

On behalf of the Board, we hope that you will take the opportunity to learn more through story by reading Indigenous literature or watching Indigenous films, by exploring and engaging in virtual events or just having conversations with others.

Please join the Board as we learn more together about the history, culture and perspectives of Indigenous communities across Canada.

2.2 ANNOUNCEMENT: PRIDE MONTH - ANTI-RACISM

The Board is sharing that the District is acknowledging Pride Month during the month of June. This month is an opportunity where we celebrate the freedom to be ourselves and show off our colours.

Throughout this month, and throughout the District, staff and students are holding school-led activities and events to recognize Pride month and our 2SLGBTQ+ community.

Pride events are celebrations of the progress the 2SLGBTQ+ community has made but also a time to recognize how far we still have to go to achieve true equality and inclusion.

3. <u>REPORT FROM "IN CAMERA"</u>

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

4. <u>CONSENT AGENDA</u>

R24/06/18-01 **Moved By:** Trustee Dickinson **Seconded By:** Trustee Fox

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
- 4.3 BOARD LIAISON COMMITTEE REPORTS
 - 4.3.1 BCSTA
 - 4.3.1.1 METRO BRANCH (Trustee Fox)
 - 4.3.2 DISTRICT PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL (Trustee Neufeld)
- 4.4 SCHOOL DISTRICT COMMITTEE REPORTS
 - 4.4.1 2SLGBTQ+ (Assistant Superintendent Lainchbury)
- 4.5 COMMUNITY COMMITTEE REPORTS
 - 4.5.1 CITY OF LANGLEY ADVISORY DESIGN PANEL (Trustee Ward)
 - 4.5.2 CITY OF LANGLEY / SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 35 LIAISON (Trustee Ward)

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

R24/06/18-02 Moved By: Trustee Dickinson Seconded By: Trustee Fox

That the Agenda be approved as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. <u>DELEGATIONS</u>

6.1 BE AMAZING: AN ANTI-HUMAN TRAFFICKING INITIATIVE

Cathy Peters, BC anti human trafficking educator, speaker and advocate presented as a delegation to the Board of Education.

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

7.1 BOARD EVALUATION / ANNUAL BOARD DEVELOPMENT PLAN

R24/06/18-03 **Moved By:** Trustee Dickinson **Seconded By:** Trustee Neufeld

That the Board of Education receives the update on the Board Evaluation/Annual Development Plan for information, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.2 ANNUAL TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION UPDATE

R24/06/18-04 **Moved By:** Trustee Dickinson **Seconded By:** Trustee Rai

That the Board of Education receives the update on Truth and Reconciliation for information, as presented.

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

8.1 2024-2025 ANNUAL BUDGET BYLAW (3rd and Final Reading)

R24/06/18-05 **Moved By:** Trustee Rai **Seconded By:** Trustee Dickinson

That the Board of Education directs staff to appropriate the following Restricted surplus amounts to balance the 2023/24 Annual Budget.

Internally restricted for projector replacement \$350,000

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

R24/06/18-06 **Moved By:** Trustee Dickinson **Seconded By:** Trustee Fox

That the School District No. 35 (Langley) Annual Budget Bylaw for fiscal year 2024/25 in the amount of \$389,929,643 be given third reading, passed and adopted on this 18th day of June 2024.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.2 76TH AVENUE ROAD DEDICATION

R24/06/18-07 Moved By: Trustee Fox Seconded By: Trustee Neufeld

That the School District No. 35 (Langley) R.E. Mountain Secondary and Peter Ewart Middle School Road Dedication Bylaw, 2024 be given first reading.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

R24/06/18-08 **Moved By:** Trustee Dickinson **Seconded By:** Trustee Fox

That the School District No. 35 (Langley) R.E. Mountain Secondary and Peter Ewart Middle School Road Dedication Bylaw, 2024 be given second reading.

R24/06/18-09 Moved By: Trustee Fox Seconded By: Trustee Rai

That the Board of Education of School District No. 35 (Langley) approves having all three readings of the R.E. Mountain Secondary and Peter Ewart Middle School Road Dedication Bylaw, 2024 at tonight's meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

R24/06/18-10 **Moved By:** Trustee Dickinson **Seconded By:** Trustee Fox

That the School District No. 35 (Langley) R.E. Mountain Secondary and Peter Ewart Middle School Road Dedication Bylaw, 2024 be given third reading, passed and adopted on this 18th day of June 2024.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.3 FIVE-YEAR CAPITAL PLAN 2025-2026

R24/06/18-11 **Moved By:** Trustee Fox **Seconded By:** Trustee Dickinson

In accordance with provisions under Section 142 (4) of the School Act, the Board of Education of School District No. 35 (Langley) hereby approves the proposed Five-Year Capital Plan (Major Capital Programs) for 2025/2026, as provided on the attached Major Five-Year Capital Plan Summary for 2025/2026 to be submitted to the Ministry of Education and Child Care.

8.4 THREE-YEAR FINANCIAL PLAN

R24/06/18-12 **Moved By:** Trustee Ward **Seconded By:** Trustee Dickinson

That the Board of Education approves the Three-Year Year Financial Plan, as presented.

8.5 LONG RANGE FACILITIES PLAN

R24/06/18-13 **Moved By:** Trustee Dickinson **Seconded By:** Trustee Fox

That the Board of Education approves the Long-Range Facilities Plan as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.6 SCHOOL SITE ACQUISITION CHARGE (SSAC)

R24/06/18-14 **Moved By:** Trustee Dickinson **Seconded By:** Trustee Fox

That the Board of Education approves the Eligible School Sites, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.7 AMENDED FIVE-YEAR CAPITAL PLAN BYLAW 2024-2025

R24/06/18-15 **Moved By:** Trustee Dickinson **Seconded By:** Trustee Rai

That the School District No. 35 (Langley) (Capital Plan 2024/2025) Capital Bylaw No. 2024/25-CPSD35-02 be given first reading.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

R24/06/18-16 **Moved By:** Trustee Rai **Seconded By:** Trustee Ward

That the School District No. 35 (Langley) (Capital Plan 2024/2025) Capital Bylaw No. 2024/25-CPSD35-02 be given second reading.

R24/06/18-17 Moved By: Trustee Ward Seconded By: Trustee Dickinson

That the Board of Education of School District No. 35 (Langley) approves having all three readings of the (Capital Plan 2024/2025) Capital Bylaw No. 2024/25-CPSD35-02 at tonight's meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

R24/06/18-18 Moved By: Trustee Fox Seconded By: Trustee Dickinson

That the School District No. 35 (Langley) (Capital Plan 2024/2025) Capital Bylaw No. 2024/25-CPSD35-02 be given third reading, passed and adopted on this 18th day of June 2024.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

9.1 MOTION FROM TRUSTEE NEUFELD

R24/06/18-19

Moved By: Trustee Neufeld Seconded By: Trustee Fox

That the Board of Education write a letter to the Ministry of Education and Child Care, requesting an increase in the maximum limits of the School Site Acquisition Charge.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10. TRUSTEE COMMENTS

Trustees thanked all parents, partner groups, senior staff, students and congratulated graduates. Everyone was wished a well-deserved break and a happy summer.

11. 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.

Question was received from Neil Turner regarding pre-fabricated modulars.

12. ADJOURNMENT

R24/06/18-20 Moved By: Trustee Fox Seconded By: Trustee Rai

That the meeting be adjourned at 8:57 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

TRUSTEE CANDY ASHDOWN

BOARD CHAIR

BRIAN ISELI, CPA, CMA

SECRETARY-TREASURER