



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

**MINUTES**

**Date:** Tuesday, May 28, 2024  
**Location:** Langley School Board Office

<b>Trustees Present:</b>	<b>Candy Ashdown</b>	<b>Chairperson</b>
	<b>Holly Dickinson</b>	<b>Trustee</b>
	<b>Charlie Fox</b>	<b>Trustee</b>
	<b>Sarb Rai</b>	<b>Trustee</b>
	<b>Tony Ward</b>	<b>Trustee</b>
	<b>Marnie Wilson</b>	<b>Trustee</b>

<b>Trustees Absent:</b>	<b>Joel Neufeld</b>	<b>Trustee</b>
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<b>Staff Present:</b>	<b>Mal Gill</b>	<b>Superintendent</b>
	<b>Brian Iseli</b>	<b>Secretary-Treasurer</b>
	<b>Woody Bradford</b>	<b>Deputy Superintendent</b>
	<b>Lisa Lainchbury</b>	<b>Assistant Superintendent</b>
	<b>Marcello Moino</b>	<b>Assistant Superintendent</b>
	<b>Shind Chand</b>	<b>Assistant Secretary-Treasurer</b>
	<b>Joanne Abshire</b>	<b>Communications Manager</b>
	<b>Judy Swanson</b>	<b>Executive Assistant</b>
	<b>Pol Babao</b>	<b>Technical Support Specialist 3</b>
<b>Vincent Montefrio</b>	<b>Technical Support Specialist 3</b>	

<b>Partner Groups:</b>	<b>Danica Hansen-Hughes</b>	<b>CUPE 1260 Executive</b>
	<b>Kim Anderson</b>	<b>LPVPA President</b>
	<b>Taylor Fauteux</b>	<b>LTA President</b>

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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. CALL TO ORDER

The Board Chair called the meeting to order at 7:01 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'ō yoyes (**sckecka y-eyes**) (working together) and nácaʔmat (**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 ACCESSIBILITY

3. REPORT FROM "IN CAMERA"

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

4. CONSENT AGENDA

R24/05/28-01

**Moved By:** Trustee Fox

**Seconded By:** Trustee Dickinson

That the Board of Education adopts the consent agenda items as amended with the removal of Item 4.4.3: Communications Committee to Item 9.1 under New Business.

**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 ABORIGINAL / ya:yəstəl' (Assistant Superintendent Moino)

4.4.2 INCLUSIVE EDUCATION (Assistant Superintendent Lainchbury)

4.4.3 EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS (Assistant Superintendent Moino)

4.5 COMMUNITY COMMITTEE REPORTS

4.5.1 TOWNSHIP OF LANGLEY RECREATION, CULTURE AND PARKS ADVISORY (Trustee Dickinson)

5. CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA

R24/05/28-02

**Moved By:** Trustee Fox

**Seconded By:** Trustee Dickinson

That the Agenda be approved as presented as amended with the addition of Item 9.1: Communications Committee under New Business.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

6. DELEGATIONS

6.1 LANGLEY ENVIRONMENTAL PARTNERS SOCIETY

A presentation was received by Amanda Smith from Langley Environmental Partners Society.

7. SECRETARY-TREASURER'S REPORTS

7.1 2024-2025 ANNUAL BUDGET BYLAW (First and Second Reading)

R24/05/28-03

**Moved By:** Trustee Fox

**Seconded By:** Trustee Dickinson

That the School District No. 35 (Langley) Annual Budget Bylaw for fiscal year 2024/25 in the amount of \$389,929,643 be given first reading.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

R24/05/28-04

**Moved By:** Trustee Dickinson

**Seconded By:** Trustee Rai

That the School District No. 35 (Langley) Annual Budget Bylaw for fiscal year 2024/25 in the amount of \$389,929,643 be given second reading.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

8. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS

8.1 CAREER DISCOVERIES PROGRAM

Kendra Simonetto, District Principal of Instructional Services introduced Larry Fraser, District Teacher of Career Discoveries Program who presented on this item.

R24/05/28-05

**Moved By:** Trustee Ward

**Seconded By:** Trustee Dickinson

That the Board of Education receives the report on the Career Discoveries Program for information, as provided.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

8.2 STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT UPDATE - CELL PHONE USAGE

R24/05/28-06

**Moved By:** Trustee Ward

**Seconded By:** Trustee Dickinson

That the Board of Education receives the update on the Student Code of Conduct with regards to Personal Digital Devices for information, as received.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

8.3 MIDDLE SCHOOL PROGRAMMING IN THE WGSS REGION

Jeremy Lyndon, Erin Florko and Adrienne Stubbings, from Walnut Grove Secondary School presented on this item.

R24/05/28-07

**Moved By:** Trustee Dickinson

**Seconded By:** Trustee Wilson

That the Board of Education receives the update on Middle School Programming in the Walnut Grove Region for information, as presented.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

9. NEW BUSINESS

9.1 COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

Trustee Marnie Wilson reported on the Communications Committee regarding feedback on the Liaison Meetings.

10. 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.

No questions were received from the public.

11. ADJOURNMENT

R24/05/28-08

**Moved By:** Trustee Fox

**Seconded By:** Trustee Ward

That the meeting be adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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TRUSTEE CANDY ASHDOWN

BOARD CHAIR

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BRIAN ISELI, CPA, CMA

SECRETARY-TREASURER