

SPECIAL BOARD/COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE MEETING

Tuesday, April 12, 2016 at 7:13 pm

The Board of School Trustees of School District No. 39 (Vancouver) met in the gymnasium of Vancouver Technical Secondary School, 2600 East Broadway, Vancouver BC at 7:13 pm.

TRUSTEES

PRESENT: M. Lombardi, in the Chair, J. Alexander, P. Bacchus, F. Ballantyne, J. Fraser,
P. Noble, C. Richardson, S. Robertson, A. Wong, T. Zhao (Student Trustee)

ALSO

PRESENT: S. Robinson, Superintendent of Schools
R. Horswill, Secretary Treasurer
N. Brennan, Associate Superintendent-Learning Services
J. Stewart, Associate Superintendent-Employee Services
D. Nelson, Project Lead-Long Range Facilities Plan
B. Kuhn, Director of Learning and Information Technology
L. Landry, Director of Finance
M. Kassis, Director of Instruction-Field Services
E. Roberts, Director of Instruction-Field Services
I. Khunguray, Supervisor-Budgeting and Forecasting
M. Phillips, Administrative Office Assistant (Recorder)

The Chairperson called the meeting to order and acknowledged that the meeting is being held in the traditional territory of the Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh Coast Salish peoples.

I. Motion to Dissolve the Board Meeting into Committee-of-the-Whole

Moved by A. Wong, seconded by C. Richardson, that
the Board dissolve itself into Committee-of-the-Whole.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Chairperson reviewed the Procedures for Delegations to the Board.

II. Vancouver Members of Legislative Assembly (MLAs)

Vancouver MLA Shane Simpson spoke on behalf of other Vancouver MLAs, emphasizing the importance of educational funding.

III. Delegations re Preliminary 2016/2017 Budget Proposals

The following delegates presented their views regarding the *2016/2017 Preliminary Budget Proposals* dated March 31, 2016. Written briefs were provided and retained for the Board's records.

1. District Parents' Advisory Council (DPAC) – A. Dow
2. Friends of the School Library (FOSL) – C. Bercic, M. Crouch, N. Hamilton and C. Radke
3. K. Stevens

Trustee Noble arrived at the meeting at 7:44 pm.

4. L. Scolah
5. R. Hamm
6. T. Teeninga

III. Delegations re Preliminary 2016/2017 Budget Proposals (continued)

7. B. Costin
8. Prince of Wales Secondary School – D. Campbell and H. Sumaila
9. Point Grey Mini School Service Society – C. Young and L. Teichroeb
10. G. Singh
11. A. Mattu
12. S. Richardson
13. P. Morford
14. Coalition for Music Education in British Columbia (CMEBC) – C. Reardon MacLellan and G. Blank
15. Vancouver Symphony – K. Tweeddale and B. Tovey
16. S. Pallister
17. Parent Advocates for Gifted Education in Schools (PAGES) – M. Rodgers and J. Woods
18. Gifted Education Students – E. Gaetner, L. Simchen, and F. Hannay
19. K. Sharma
20. N. Kaur Dadwan
21. D. Silver
22. Sexsmith Parent Advisory Council (PAC) – G. Singh Sangha
23. Point Grey Music Supporters Society – K. Carpenter, N. Penner-Horodyski and students
24. A. Travers
25. Vancouver Technical Music Council – S. McLaren, T. Davis and M. Li
26. R. Kurth
27. Sir Winston Churchill Secondary School's Music Council – X. Huang and B. Chui
28. C. Truong and J. Siu
29. Parent Advocacy Network - H. Legal
30. K. Ayres
31. V. Evans

Delegates expressed their concerns regarding the impact of budget reductions to services, resources, and staffing levels in district schools. Feedback was provided regarding the following budget proposals:

- E3 School Flex Budgets
- E7 Elementary Prep time restructuring
- E12.5 Teacher-Librarian Teacher Mentor
- E19 Elementary Non-Enrolling Staffing
- E10 Home Learners Program
- A13 School Based Office Support
- E12.14 Multicultural Liaison Workers
- E12.15 Optional Elementary Band and Strings Program
- E12.17 District-Based Gifted Staffing
- E12.10 Anti-Racism/Anti-Homophobia Teacher Mentors

The Chairperson thanked the delegates for their presentations and reviewed the remaining budget process.

IV. Motion to Rise From Committee-of-the-Whole

Moved by P. Noble, seconded by J. Alexander, that the Committee-of-the-Whole rise and report.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

V. Motion to Reconvene the Board Meeting

Moved by A. Wong, seconded by C. Richardson, that the Board meeting be reconvened.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

VI. Motion to Adjourn the Board Meeting

Moved by J Alexander, seconded by S. Robertson, that the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Meeting adjourned at 10:53 pm.

Mike Lombardi, Chairperson

Russell Horswill, Secretary Treasurer