

SPECIAL BOARD/COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE MEETING

Thursday, April 14, 2016 at 5:17 pm

The Board of Trustees of Vancouver Board of Education of School District No. 39 (Vancouver) met in the Boardroom at the Education Centre, 1580 West Broadway, Vancouver, B.C. on Thursday, April 14, 2016 at 5:17 pm.

TRUSTEES

PRESENT: M. Lombardi, in the Chair, J. Alexander, P. Bacchus, F. Ballantyne, J. Fraser, P. Noble, C. Richardson, A. Wong, Timme 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
L. Landry, Director of Finance
J. Meschino, Director of Facilities
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 P. Bacchus, 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. 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. Parents from Norquay Elementary Early Mandarin Bilingual Program – T. Bray and S. Cook
2. School Age Children and Youth – Substance Use Prevention Initiative (SACY) - M. Dowdall and C. Tsobanis
3. N. Sun
4. Families Against Cuts to Education (FACE) and Simon Fraser Elementary Parent Advisory Council (PAC) – J. Stewart
5. C. Cordella
6. J. Sue
7. E. Sue
8. T. Van

Student Trustee Zhao arrived at the meeting at 6:30 pm.

9. Queen Alexandra parent Advisory Council (PAC) – S. Bell
10. R. Nicolas
11. S. Helmer
12. Tyee Education Advocacy Committee – C. Willems and F. Shaw
13. Gold Advisory Committee – J. Bromley

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

14. Public Education Project – G. Giesbrecht and C. Bercic
15. G. Rousseau
16. G. Lauder
17. R. Unruh
18. W. Park
19. V. Thomas
20. Career Information Assistants – M. Rajkumar
21. H. Ng and H. Lee
22. P. Paoluzzi and M. Rajkumar

The Chairperson called a recess at 8:03 pm.

The meeting reconvened at 8:20 pm.

Trustees present: M. Lombardi, in the Chair, J. Alexander, P. Bacchus, F. Ballantyne, J. Fraser,
P. Noble, C. Richardson, A. Wong, Timme Zhao (Student Trustee)

Also present: S. Robinson, R. Horswill, N. Brennan, L. Landry, D. Nelson, J. Stewart, M. Phillips

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

23. J. Lau
24. L. Fox
25. Bayview Elementary Parent Advisory Council (PAC) - G. Avrahami
26. E. Lee
27. J. Borgaro
28. Maple Grove Parent Advisory Council (PAC) – G. Hutcheson
29. D. Mohabir
30. D. Kilgallin
31. M. Antweiller on behalf of R. Garen
32. Queen Mary Parent Advisory Council (PAC) – K. Findlay
33. Trans Alliance Society – M. Orger and students
34. Gordon Parent Advisory Council (PAC) – V. Stephens and P. Abraham
35. Charles Dickens Parent Advisory Council (PAC) – A. Sinclair
36. J. Kim
37. S. Bickerton
38. C. Baechler
39. N. Gaur
40. A. Coutu
41. Queen Elizabeth Annex Parent Advisory Council (PAC) – K. Werker
42. R. Fleming, MLA and Opposition Education Critic

Registered delegate L. Wilson did not attend.

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

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:

- E12.6 – Modern Languages Teacher Mentor
- E12.22 – SACY SSW
- E12.15 – Optional Elementary Band and Strings Program
- E17 – Enhanced Services Literacy Teachers
- E12.9 – Literacy/Early Intervention Teacher Consultant
- E12.5 – Teacher-Librarian Teacher Mentor
- E17 – Enhanced Services Literacy Teachers
- E18 – Special Education Support Entitlements
- E12.14 – Multicultural Liaison Workers
- E12.4 – Gifted Teacher Mentor
- E12.17 – District-Based Gifted Staffing
- E10 – Home Learners Program
- A13 – School Based Office Support
- E12.18 – Career Information Assistants
- E12.1 – Peer to Peer Teacher Mentors and Support Staff Mentor
- F5 – Parking at Schools
- E18 – Special Education Support Entitlements
- E12.8 – Fine and Performing Arts Coordinator
- E12.10 – Anti-Racism/Anti-Homophobia Teacher Mentors
- E12.7 – Athletic Coordinator
- E19 – Elementary Non-Enrolling Staffing
- E15 – Secondary Teacher Staffing
- E12.3 – Learning Technology Teacher Mentors
- E12.12 – Home Instruction Teachers
- E14 – Special Education Staffing _Give to Patti, Allan and Joy (not enough
- E3 – School Flex Budgets
- E19 – Elementary Non-Enrolling Staffing

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

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

Moved by C. Richardson, seconded by P. Bacchus , that the
Committee-of-the-Whole rise and report.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

IV. Motion to Reconvene the Board Meeting

Moved by A. Wong, seconded by J. Alexander, that the Board
meeting be reconvened.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

V. Motion to Adjourn the Board Meeting

Moved by J. Alexander, seconded by P. Noble, that the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Meeting adjourned at 10:50 pm.

Mike Lombardi, Chairperson

Russell Horswill, Secretary Treasurer