

### School District No. 44 (North Vancouver)

Minutes of the Public Meeting of the Board of Education, School District No. 44 (North Vancouver) held in the Mountain View Room of the Education Services Centre at 2121 Lonsdale Avenue in North Vancouver, British Columbia, on Tuesday, October 22, 2024.

**PRESENT:** L. Munro, Chair  
A. Wilson, Vice Chair  
D. Anderson  
C. Gerlach  
K. Mann  
G. Tsiakos  
L. Tumaneng

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#### A. Call to Order

Board Chair Linda Munro called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

#### A.1. Acknowledgments

Board Chair Munro acknowledged the traditional territorial lands of the Sk̓wx̓wú7mesh (Squamish) Nation and səliłwətaʔt (Tsleil-Waututh) Nation.

#### A.2. Approval of Agenda

A request was made to move item B.5. Board/Authority Authorized (BAA) Courses to C.1., for discussion as information only. The item will also be discussed at a Trustee Seminar in advance of the next Public Board meeting.

Moved by L. Munro

that item B.5. Board/Authority Authorized (BAA) Courses be moved to C.1 for information only.

Seconded by C. Gerlach

Carried

Moved by L. Munro

that the agenda, as recommended in the Administrative Memorandum, as amended be adopted.

Seconded by G. Tsiakos

Carried

#### A.3. Approval of Minutes

A request was made to add additional details for Parent Advisory Council meetings that were attended. Board Chair Munro committed to follow up discussions with Trustees.

Moved by L. Munro

that the minutes of the public board meeting of October 22, 2024, be approved as circulated.

Seconded by A. Wilson

Carried

#### A.4. Public Question/Comment Period

A public comment was received relating to the Board/Authority Authorized (BAA) Courses and shared with Trustees in advance of the meeting. The comment was not read into the record due to sensitive personal content. The author was invited to submit an email that could be shared publicly, however, a response was not received by the deadline.

Trustee Gerlach wanted it noted that she believes the comment should have been read into the record as received.

**A.5. Educational Presentation: Compassionate Systems Leadership**

Dr. Pius Ryan, Superintendent, welcomed Jeremy Church, Director of Instruction, and Kim Jonat, Principal of Carson Graham Secondary, to share some of the key work and approaches taken to leadership development, in particular, Compassionate Systems Leadership.

The presenters responded to Trustees' questions.

**B.1. Revised Policy 101: Board of Education – Role and Function – Administrative Procedures**

Board Chair Munro reminded Trustees that the proposed revised Administrative Procedures had been received at the October Public Board Meeting as information. Under the revised Administrative Procedures, the revisions would add term limits to elected Trustee positions for Board Chair, Vice-Chair, and representatives and alternates for the British Columbia School Trustees Association (BCSTA) and the British Columbia Public School Employers' Association (BCPSEA).

A question was raised relating to the proposed wording and it was agreed that the item would be discussed further and brought to the December Public Board Meeting for approval.

Moved by C. Gerlach

That this agenda item be deferred to the Public Board Meeting of December 17, 2024.

Seconded by K. Mann

Carried

**B.2. Election of Board Chair**

Secretary Treasurer Jacqui Stewart advised that the Board was required by [Policy 101: Board of Education – Role and Function](#) and [Policy 104: Board of Education - Meetings](#) to elect one of its members to be Board Chair. Secretary Treasurer Stewart called for nominations for the position of Chair, at which time, Trustee Tsiakos nominated Trustee Munro. There being no other nominations, Trustee Munro was declared Board Chair for the term of December 1, 2024 and ending November 30, 2025 or until a successor has been elected.

**B.3. Election of Board Vice Chair**

Board Chair Munro called for nominations for the position of Vice Chair at which time, Trustee Gerlach nominated Trustee Wilson, and Trustee Mann nominated Trustee Anderson. Both Trustee Wilson and Trustee Anderson accepted the nominations. As there were two nominations, Chair Munro appointed Assistant Superintendents Arlene Martin and Adam Baumann as scrutineers. An election by ballot was conducted, after which, Trustee Wilson was declared Board Vice Chair for the term of December 1, 2024 and ending November 30, 2025 or until a successor has been elected.

**B.4. Election to BC School Trustees Association (BCSTA) Provincial Council and to BC Public School Employers' Association (BCPSEA)**

Board Chair Munro shared that the British Columbia School Trustees Association (BCSTA) requires the Board to elect annually, two Trustees to the British Columbia School Trustees Association (BCSTA) Provincial Council. One Trustee is to serve as the Board's representative and one Trustee is required to serve as an alternate.

Board Chair Munro called for nominations for the position of Trustee Representative to the BCSTA Provincial Council for 2025. Trustee Tsiakos nominated Trustee Anderson. There being no other nominations, Trustee Anderson was declared the Board's representative to BCSTA.

Board Chair Munro called for nominations for the alternate representative to the BCSTA Provincial Council for 2025. Trustee Mann nominated Trustee Tumaneng. There being no other nominations, Trustee Tumaneng was declared the Board's alternate representative to the BCSTA.

Board Chair Munro called for nominations for the position of the Board's representative to the BCPSEA for 2025. Trustee Anderson nominated Trustee Mann. There being no other nominations, Trustee Mann was declared the Board's representative to BCPSEA.

Board Chair Munro called for nominations for the alternate representative to the BCPSEA for 2025. Trustee Wilson nominated Trustee Gerlach. There being no other nominations, Trustee Gerlach was declared the Board's alternate representative to the BCPSEA.

#### **B.5. 2025/26 Budget Development Consultation Process**

Secretary Treasurer Stewart introduced this item noting that the budget consultation framework is developed in preparation of the Annual Budget. As required by Section 11 of the *School Act*, the Annual Budget Bylaw must be developed and adopted on, or before, June 30 of the current fiscal year. The proposed process involves the Board inviting education partners and the local community to attend budget information and discussion sessions that will provide opportunities for their input as well as opportunities for written input. Consultation with the local First Nations will also occur through the Indigenous Education Council.

Secretary Treasurer Stewart responded to Trustees' questions.

Moved by K. Mann

that the Board of Education approve the proposed consultation process and timelines identified within Board Schedule B.5. for the development of the 2025/26 annual budget.

Seconded by A. Wilson

Carried

#### **C.1. Board/Authority Authorized (BAA) Courses**

Dr. Pius Ryan, Superintendent, welcomed Greg Hockley, District Principal, Secondary Curriculum and Careers, and Adam Baumann, Assistant Superintendent, to provide an overview of the Board/Authority Authorized Courses recommended to the Board of Education for approval.

The presenters responded to Trustees' questions.

Moved by C. Gerlach

That this agenda item be deferred to a Trustee Seminar for further discussion and return to the Public Board Meeting of December 17, 2024 for approval.

Seconded by D. Anderson

Carried

#### **C.2. North Vancouver Parent Advisory Council (NVPAC) Annual Report 2023/24**

Board Chair Munro introduced Vicky Sra, representing the North Vancouver Parent Advisory Council to present the Annual Report for 2023/24.

The presenter responded to Trustees' questions.

#### **C.3. Artificial Intelligence Working Group Update**

Board Chair Munro advised that the update summarizes work done by educators and administrators across the school district to explore potential opportunities and challenges of Artificial Intelligence in education.

No questions were asked.

**C.4. Committee Reports – Written Update**

Written updates on the Audit Committee and the Policy Review Committee were included in the Board Package, staff responded to Trustees' questions.

**C.5. Land Management – Written Update**

A written update on current land management projects was included in the Board Package. Dr. Ryan, Superintendent advised that staff are working closely with the City of North Vancouver regarding requests for permits.

**C.6. Tuesday, November 5, 2024, Standing Committee Meeting**

Trustee Tsiakos reported on highlights of the Truth, Healing and Reconciliation Standing Committee Meeting of Tuesday, November 5, 2024. A written update on Standing Committee Meeting was included in the Board Agenda Package for information.

**C.7. Superintendent's Report**

Dr. Ryan, Superintendent provided an update to Trustees on events, initiatives, and programming across the school district.

No questions were asked.

**C.8. Report Out – British Columbia School Trustees Association and BC Public School Employers' Association**

Trustee Anderson provided an update regarding the BC School Trustees Association Provincial Council and the upcoming Trustee Academy.

Trustee Gerlach provided an update on the BC Public School Employers' Association Symposium.

**C.9. Trustees' Reports/Highlights**

Trustees shared their recent highlights, for activities from October 23 to November 19, 2024, with an emphasis on their roles as school liaisons.

- Meetings attended by Trustees included:
  - Public Board Meeting
  - Standing Committee Meeting
  - Trustee Seminars
  - Audit Committee Meeting
  - District Student Leadership Council Meeting and Executive Dinner Meeting
  - BCPSEA Conflict of Interest Webinar
  - BCSTA Trustee Academy
  - School Calendar Committee Meeting
  - Screening and Selection of Vice Principals meetings

- Events attended by Trustees included:
  - North Vancouver Parent Advisory Council Meet & Greet
  - Various Parent Advisory Council meetings at Blueridge Elementary, Lynnmour Elementary, Seycove Secondary, Seymour Heights Elementary, Windsor Secondary
  - Various school visits or events including Argyle Secondary, Braemar Elementary, Blueridge Elementary, Brooksbank Elementary, Carisbrooke Elementary, Carson Graham Secondary, Cove Cliff Elementary, Eastview Elementary, Handsworth Secondary, Lynnmour Elementary, Lynn Valley Elementary, Norgate Elementary, Queensbury Elementary, Ridgeway Elementary, Ross Road Elementary, Seymour Heights Elementary, Sutherland Secondary, Windsor Secondary
  - Remembrance ceremonies or events at various schools

**D. Future Meetings**

<b>Date and Time</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Location</b>
Tuesday, December 17, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.	Public Board Meeting	Education Services Centre 2121 Lonsdale Avenue North Vancouver
Tuesday, January 21, 2025 at 6:30 p.m.	Public Board Meeting	Education Services Centre 2121 Lonsdale Avenue North Vancouver
Tuesday, February 4, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.	Standing Committee Meeting	Education Services Centre 2121 Lonsdale Avenue North Vancouver

**E. Public Question/Comment Period**

Board Chair Munro called for questions and/or comments from the public noting that in accordance with Board policy, questions relating to personnel, negotiations or litigation must not be dealt with in a public session.

No questions or comments were brought forward.

**F. Adjournment**

The established agenda being completed, Board Chair Munro adjourned the meeting at 8:55 p.m. and thanked those who attended.

Certified Correct:

Original signed by J. Stewart  
Jacqui Stewart  
Secretary Treasurer

Original signed by L. Munro  
Linda Munro  
Chair, Board of Education

December 17, 2024  
Date

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