

### 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, June 18, 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 səliłwətaʔt̓ (Tsleil-Waututh) Nation.

**A.2. Approval of Agenda**

Moved by D. Anderson

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

Seconded by L. Tumaneng

Carried

**A.3. Approval of Minutes**

Moved by K. Mann

that the minutes of the public board meeting of May 21, 2024, be approved as circulated.

Seconded by G. Tsiakos

Carried

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

There were no public questions or comments received by the Board.

**A.5. Educational Presentation: Capstone Project**

Dr. Pius Ryan, Superintendent, welcomed Jeremy Church, Director of Instruction, who provided a brief overview of the Capstone Project. Additionally, Grade 12 students from Carson Graham Secondary shared their experiences with the Capstone projects, providing valuable insights into challenges and rewards.

The presenters responded to Trustees' questions.

### **B.1. Board Committees and Trustee Representational Assignments**

Board Chair Munro advised that in accordance with Policy 102: Board of Education - Committees and Representation, the Board of Education shall review annually all Trustee representational assignments. She noted that the list of assignments and appointments includes changes to create an equitable distribution of Committees among the Trustees, supports building capacity and development by changing assignments, and also takes into consideration Trustees' interest and willingness to assume the responsibilities where possible. These appointments are effective September 2024, for the start of the new school year.

Moved by L. Munro

that the Board approve the Chair's appointments of Trustees as attached to this Administrative Memorandum of June 18, 2024, and make the appointments effective September 3, 2024.

Seconded by A. Wilson

Carried; C. Gerlach voted against

### **B.2. Five-Year Capital Plan 2024/25**

Secretary Treasurer Jacqui Stewart noted that requirement to submit the Five-Year Capital Plan, which is informed by the Long Range Facilities Plan. The capital plan also considers the conditions of schools and changing enrolments. The deadline for the Major Capital Programs is June 30, 2024 and significant work is done to inform the recommended projects.

Michael Chapman, Acting Director, Facilities and Planning, provided an overview of the projects included in the plan and responded to Trustees' questions.

Moved by K. Mann

that the Board approve the 2024/25 Five-Year Major Capital Plan as attached to Schedule B.2. of June 18, 2024.

Seconded by G. Tsiakos

Carried

### **B.3. Proposed Revised Policy 613: Sustainability**

Dr. Ryan introduced Luke Smeaton, Manager of Sustainability, Energy and Environmental Planning, who provided an overview of changes to the Proposed Revised Policy 613.

Moved by D. Anderson

that the Board approve Proposed Revised Policy 613: Sustainability, as attached to this Administrative Memorandum of June 18, 2024.

Seconded by L. Tumaneng

Carried

### **C.1. Educational Update: Digital Devices in Schools**

Superintendent Dr. Ryan introduced this topic by summarizing that the provincial government has announced three important actions to keep young people safe from online threats. Work has been undertaken to develop thoughtful rules and procedures that can embrace modern technology in an educational setting.

District Principal, Safe and Healthy Schools, Suzette Dohm provided an update on initiatives underway in the school district to keep students safe in this area, with a particular focus on the restriction of the use of cell phones during school hours.

The presenter responded to Trustees' questions.

### **C.2. Evaluation of Superintendent**

Board Chair Munro provided a verbal update on the successful evaluation of the Superintendent at the end of his second year in the role, and thanked Dr. Ryan for his continuing guidance and support.

**C.3. Committee Reports – Written Update**

Written updates on the Capital Planning Committee and the Emergency Preparedness Committee were included in the Board Agenda Package, no questions were asked.

**C.4. Land Management – Written Update**

A written update on current land management projects was included in the Board Agenda Package, no questions were asked.

**C.5. Superintendent’s Report**

Dr. Ryan, Superintendent provided highlights of the school year supported by a video featuring events across the school district.

**C.6. Report Out – British Columbia School Trustees Association and BC Public School Employers’ Association**

Trustee Anderson had no updates regarding the BC School Trustees Association.

Trustee Gerlach had no updates regarding the BC Public School Employers’ Association.

**C.7. Trustees’ Reports/Highlights**

Trustees shared their recent highlights, for activities from May 22 to June 18, 2024, with an emphasis on their roles as school liaisons.

- Meetings attended by Trustees included:
  - Public Board Meeting
  - Trustee Seminars
  - Arts Education Advisory Committee Meeting
  - Communications Committee Meeting
  - Dinner Meeting with District Student Leadership Council
  - Safe and Healthy Schools Committee Meeting
  - North Shore Congress Meeting
  
- Events attended by Trustees included:
  - Concerts, school visits and safety blitz’s at various schools
  - Graduation ceremonies
  - North Shore Youth Queer Prom
  - NVSD Staff Retirement Dinner
  - Outdoor School Program Recognition for Grade 10 to 12 Student Leadership Counsellors
  - Parent Advisory Council Meetings
  - Swanguard Track and Field Event
  - Ross Road Elementary School visit from Premier David Eby

**D. Future Meetings**

The annual schedule of Board Meetings for 2024/25 has been established, the first three meetings are listed below.

<b>Date and Time</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Location</b>
Tuesday, September 17, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.	Standing Committee Meeting	Education Services Centre 2121 Lonsdale Ave North Vancouver
Tuesday, September 24, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.	Public Board Meeting	Education Services Centre 2121 Lonsdale Ave North Vancouver
Tuesday, October 8, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.	Standing Committee Meeting	Education Services Centre 2121 Lonsdale Ave North Vancouver

**E. Public Question/Comment Period**

The Chair 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.

Jennifer Branston, Past Chair of the North Vancouver Parent Advisory Council addressed the Board.

**F. Adjournment**

The established agenda being completed, Board Chair Munro adjourned the meeting at 8:42 p.m. and thanked those who attended.

Certified Correct:

*Original Signed by J. Stewart*  
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Jacqui Stewart  
Secretary Treasurer

*Original Signed by L. Munro*  
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Linda Munro  
Chair, Board of Education

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