

BOARD MEETING AGENDA

Monday, January 25, 2021
at 7:00 pm
Teams Live Broadcast

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

1.1 INDIGENOUS LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The meeting is being held on the traditional unceded territory of the Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh Nations.

1.2 OPENING REMARKS

The meeting is being live-streamed and the audio and visual recording will also be available to the public for viewing after the meeting. The footage of the meeting may be viewed inside and outside of Canada.

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

2.1 Meeting of December 14, 2020

2.2 Matters Arising from the Minutes

2.2.1 School Liaison Officer (SLO) Program Review (verbal)

3. SUPERINTENDENT'S UPDATE

3.1 Superintendent's Update

3.2 COVID Updates

4. STUDENT TRUSTEE REPORT

5. COMMITTEE REPORTS

5.1 FACILITIES PLANNING COMMITTEE

5.1.1 Report: Meeting of December 16, 2020

5.1.2 Matters Arising

5.1.3 Report: Meeting of January 13, 2021

5.1.4 Matters Arising

5.1.4.1 Re-Naming of David Lloyd George and Sir Matthew Begbie Elementary Schools

5.1.4.1.1 *It is recommended that the Board approve the renaming of David Lloyd George Elementary.*

5.1.4.1.2 *It is recommended that the Board approve the renaming of Sir Matthew Begbie Elementary.*

5.1.4.2 Motion Referred from the December 14, 2020 Board Meeting – No Sale of Public Land

5.1.5 Report: Meeting of January 18, 2021

5.1.6 Matters Arising

5.1.6.1 Long Range Facilities Plan

That the Vancouver Board of Education approve the 2020 Long Range Facilities Plan.

5.1.7 New Business

5.2 FINANCE COMMITTEE

5.2.1 Report: Meeting of January 20, 2021

5.2.2 Matters Arising

5.2.3 New Business

5.3 STUDENT LEARNING & WELL-BEING COMMITTEE

5.3.1 Report: Meeting of January 20, 2021

5.3.2 Matters Arising

5.3.3 New Business

(Submit completed Question Period forms to the Recording Secretary.)

6. REPORT ON PRIVATE SESSION

6.1 Meeting of January 25, 2021

7. REPORTS FROM TRUSTEE REPRESENTATIVES

7.1 Report from Trustee Wong on the Racial and Ethno-Cultural Equity Advisory Committee scheduled for January 14, 2021.

7.2 Reports from Trustee Fraser on the:

7.2.1 Persons with Disabilities Advisory Committee meetings held on December 10, 2020 and January 14, 2021

7.2.2 Vancouver City Planning Commission meeting held on January 13, 2021

7.2.3 BCSTA Metro Branch meeting held on January 20, 2021

7.3 Report from Trustee Parrott on the Vancouver Library Board meeting held on December 9, 2020

7.4 Reports from Trustee Gonzalez on the:

7.4.1 Vancouver Food Policy Committee meeting held on January 7, 2021

7.4.2 Vancouver Heritage Commission meeting held on January 11, 2021

8. NEW BUSINESS

8.1 Selection of Auditor

It is recommended that the Board of Education appoints KPMG LLP as the District's auditor.

9. NOTICES OF MOTION

9.1 Notice of Motion from Trustee Wong: Vaccine Letter to the National Advisory Committee on Immunization and to the Public Health Agency of Canada

9.2 Notices of Motion from Trustee Parrott:

9.2.1 Postponement of the FSA

9.2.2 COVID-19 Funding

10. PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD (Submitted in writing)

11. ADJOURNMENT

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Monday, December 14, 2020 at 7:00 pm

The Board of Education of School District No. 39 (Vancouver) met in room 114 (the Boardroom), VSB Education Centre, 1580 West Broadway, Vancouver, B.C. and online in Teams on Monday, December 14, 2020 at 7:00 pm. The meeting was live-streamed.

Trustees Present in the Room:	Carmen Cho, Chairperson, Estrellita Gonzalez, Vice-Chairperson
Trustees Present in Teams:	Fraser Ballantyne, Lois Chan-Pedley, Janet Fraser, Oliver Hanson, Barb Parrott, Jennifer Reddy, Allan Wong, Ricky Huang, Student Trustee
Senior Management Present in the Room:	Suzanne Hoffman, Superintendent
Senior Management Present in Teams:	J. David Green, Secretary Treasurer David Nelson, Deputy Superintendent Carmen Batista, Associate Superintendent-Employee Services Pedro da Silva, Associate Superintendent-Learning and Information Technology Jody Langlois, Associate Superintendent-Learning Services Rob Schindel, Associate Superintendent-School Services
Also Present in Teams:	Shehzad Somji, Assistant Secretary Treasurer Marlene Phillips, Executive Assistant (Recorder)

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

1.1 Indigenous Land Acknowledgement

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

1.2 Opening Remarks

The Chairperson shared some seasonal music provided by the senior choral students from Magee Secondary School, under the direction of Greg Quan.

The Chairperson informed everyone the meeting is being live-streamed and the audio and visual recording will also be available to the public for viewing after the meeting. The footage of the meeting may be viewed inside and outside of Canada. She reviewed meeting decorum for respectful behavior.

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

2.1 Meeting of November 30, 2020

Moved by B. Parrott, seconded by F. Ballantyne, that the minutes of the November 30, 2020 meeting be adopted.

A trustee requested the minutes be revised to reflect that for both items 9.1 and 9.2.2 the mover referred

the motion to the Policy and Governance Committee. The Chairperson requested the minutes be revised accordingly.

The Chairperson asked if there were any trustees not in support of the motion, with these revisions. There being none, the motion was

APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

2.2 Matters Arising from the Meeting of November 30, 2020

2.2.1 Postponed Motion from the November 30, 2020 Board Meeting: Budget Development Process and Timeline (2021-2022 Annual Operating Budget)

In referring to a postponed motion from the November 30, 2020 Board meeting regarding Budget Development Process and Timeline (2021-2022 Annual Operating Budget), the Chairperson asked the Secretary Treasurer for an update on the 2021-2022 Budget Timeline.

The Secretary Treasurer presented an updated 2021-2022 timeline for March and April. The following changes had been made:

- Presentation of the budget survey results was moved from April 15, 2021 to March 2, 2021
- A Committee of the Whole was added on April 6, 2021.

Discussion followed.

Main Motion

Moved by L. Chan-Pedley, seconded by B. Parrott, that the 2021-2022 budget timeline for March and April, 2021 as presented, be approved.

Amendment #1

Moved by J. Reddy, seconded by A. Wong, the motion be amended by adding “with a public Board meeting added for April 19, 2021”.

Following discussion, trustees voted on the amendment.

DEFEATED

For: F. Ballantyne, B. Parrott, J. Reddy, A. Wong

Against: L. Chan-Pedley, C. Cho, J. Fraser, E. Gonzalez, O. Hanson

Amendment #2

Moved by J. Fraser, seconded by E. Gonzalez, the motion be amended to add “with the April 14, 2021 Finance Committee meeting added and moved to April 21, 2021.”

CARRIED

For: F. Ballantyne, L. Chan-Pedley, C. Cho, J. Fraser, E. Gonzalez, O. Hanson, A. Wong

Against: J. Reddy

Abstained: B. Parrott

Amendment #3

Moved by B. Parrott, seconded by J. Reddy, that the following line item also be added to the timeline:

April 16-April 22, 2021 - Staff prepare recommendations based on delegation and stakeholder feedback for trustees to consider at its April 26, 2021 Board meeting.

Discussion followed and staff provided clarification.

Trustees voted on amendment #3.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Main Motion

A vote was taken on the main motion as amended, that now reads:

That the 2021-2022 budget timeline for March and April, 2021 as presented, be approved with the April 14, 2021 Finance Committee meeting added and moved to April 21, 2021 and the following line item added:

April 16-April 22, 2021 - Staff prepare recommendations based on delegation and stakeholder feedback for trustees to consider at its April 26, 2021 Board meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Chairperson reported that she now considered the postponed motion from the November 30, 2020 Board meeting dealt with. She asked trustees if there was any disagreement and none was expressed. The final timeline as approved is attached.

2.2.2 Motion: Rescinding Recommendation 17 of the 2019 Draft Long Range Facilities Plan

Moved by A. Wong, seconded by F. Ballantyne, to rescind the motion adopted at the May 27 and May 29, 2019 meeting of the Board which reads:

That the Board of Education requests a report outlining the financial costs and the risk to human lives in the event of a seismic event as a result of operating the District with current surplus capacity.

Trustee Wong explained the rationale behind rescinding the motion and reported rescinding the motion was fully supported by the Facilities Planning Committee.

Trustees voted on the rescinding motion.

CARRIED

For: F. Ballantyne, C. Cho, J. Fraser, E. Gonzalez, O. Hanson, J. Reddy, A. Wong

Against: L. Chan-Pedley, B. Parrott

The Chairperson asked if there were any other Matters Arising from the November 30, 2020 Board meeting.

2.2.3 School Liaison Officer (SLO) Program Review

Trustee Chan-Pedley provided a verbal update on the School Liaison Officer Program Review. She reported:

- The Request for Proposals (RFP) for the public engagement component of the SLO Program Review closed on November 23, 2020.

- The contract has been awarded to ACI Argyle Communications Inc.
- An initial meeting was held with staff and ACI Argyle Communications Inc. on December 14, 2020.

The Superintendent provided a verbal report on the initial meeting held and on next steps.

3. SUPERINTENDENT’S UPDATE

3.1 Superintendent’s Update

The Superintendent provided PowerPoint slides and a video regarding English Language Learners (ELL). A trustee asked questions regarding the Option 4 extension and on ELL completion rates. Staff responded to the questions.

3.2 COVID-19 Update

Following up on a motion approved at the November 30, 2020 Board meeting, the Superintendent provided an update on COVID-19. Given the shorter timeline between Board meetings, a complete report was not available. More information will be provided at the January 2021 Board meeting. A PowerPoint presentation was given, and she provided an overview on:

- The District Health and Safety Committee
- Communication processes: COVID-19
- The Vancouver Coastal Health website

4. STUDENT TRUSTEE REPORT

The Student Trustee provided a verbal report on the Vancouver District Students’ Council Canley Cup donation drive.

5. COMMITTEE REPORTS

5.1 POLICY & GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

5.1.1 Report: Meeting of December 2, 2020

The Chairperson of the Committee, L. Chan-Pedley, presented the report of the December 2, 2020 meeting, a copy of which is filed with these minutes. The report includes information on:

- Colonial Audit
- Advocacy Committee Update
- Motions referred from the June 22, 2020 Board Meeting (District Strategic Plan and Policy 21)
- Trustee Code of Conduct – Policy 4
- Audit Committee Terms of Reference Change
- Proposed Revisions to Policy 21 (Non-Discrimination)

Moved by L. Chan-Pedley, seconded by J. Fraser, that the report of the December 2, 2020 meeting be received.

The Chairperson asked if there were any trustees not in support of the motion. There being none, the motion was

APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

5.1.2 Matters Arising from the Meeting of December 2, 2020

5.1.2.1 2016-2021 District Strategic Plan

Moved by L. Chan-Pedley, seconded by B. Parrott, that the 2016-2021 District Strategic Plan include anti-racism as a guiding principle and that the goals explicitly state ensuring school communities are safe from racism and discrimination.

There was no discussion and trustees voted on the motion.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5.1.2.2 Policy 21

Moved by L. Chan-Pedley, seconded by E. Gonzalez, that VBE Policy 21 be amended to add “Anti-Racism and” at the beginning of its title.

Following discussion, trustees voted on the motion.

CARRIED

For: F. Ballantyne, L. Chan-Pedley, C. Cho, J. Fraser, E. Gonzalez, O. Hanson, B. Parrott, A. Wong
Against: J. Reddy

5.1.2.3 Audit Committee Terms of Reference

Moved by L. Chan-Pedley, seconded by A. Wong, that the responsibility to make recommendations regarding the appointment of the District banker, as outlined in Policy 8, be transferred from the Audit Committee to the Finance Committee.

There was no discussion and trustees voted on the motion.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5.1.2.4 Policy 21

Moved by L. Chan-Pedley, seconded by E. Gonzalez, that the Board adopt the revisions to Policy 21 (Non-Discrimination) as presented.

Discussion followed and staff responded to questions.

Trustees voted on the motion.

CARRIED

For: F. Ballantyne, L. Chan-Pedley, C. Cho, J. Fraser, E. Gonzalez, O. Hanson, A. Wong
Against: B. Parrott, J. Reddy

5.2 PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

5.2.1 Report: Meeting of December 2, 2020

The Chairperson of the Committee, E. Gonzalez, presented the report of the December 2, 2020 meeting, a copy of which is filed with these minutes. The report includes information on:

- Staffing and recruitment

- Wellness and employee engagement

Moved by E. Gonzalez, seconded by F. Ballantyne, that the report of the December 2, 2020 meeting be received.

The Chairperson asked if there were any trustees not in support of the motion. There being none, the motion was

APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

The Chairperson announced the on-line link for submitting questions to this meeting will now be closed.

6. REPORT ON PRIVATE SESSION ITEMS

6.1 Meeting of November 30, 2020

The Chairperson reported that at the Private Session of November 30, 2020, Trustee Reddy declared a conflict of interest with respect to a property matter that the Board of Education voted on. The Chairperson reported Trustee Reddy did not take part in the debate on the motion, nor did she take part in the vote.

6.2 Meeting of December 14, 2020

The Chairperson reported that the Board of Education authorized the Board Chair to report to the Public Meeting on December 14, 2020 that, at the Private Session of December 14, 2020 the Board discussed matters regarding personnel and properties.

7. REPORTS FROM TRUSTEE REPRESENTATIVES

7.1 Report from Trustee Fraser on the Vancouver City Planning Commission meeting held on December 2, 2020.

7.2 Report from Trustee Cho on the District Parents' Advisory Council meeting held on December 3, 2020.

7.3 Report from Trustee Chan-Pedley on the City of Vancouver Transportation Advisory Committee meeting held on November 18, 2020.

7.4 Report from Trustee Wong on the Chinatown Historic Area Planning Committee meeting held on December 10, 2020.

7.5 Report from Trustee Reddy on the VSB Equity Scan meeting on November 30, 2020.

Responding to a question, Trustee Reddy provided additional information on the VSB Equity Scan meeting.

8. NEW BUSINESS

8.1 Trustee Appointments

Moved by B. Parrott, seconded by L. Chan-Pedley, that the lists of appointments entitled 2021 Vancouver Board of Education Standing Committees, Audit Committee, Trustee - School Liaisons, Representatives to Internal Administrative Committees, and Representatives to External Committees, Organizations & Agencies, all dated December 14, 2020, be approved.

The Chairperson asked trustees if there were any objections to combining the lists of appointments into one vote, and there were none.

There was no discussion and trustees voted on the motion.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.2 Nootka Elementary School Drainage Right-of-Way Bylaw 2020

As Chairperson of the Facilities Planning Committee, Trustee Wong reviewed the reasons for the Nootka Elementary School Drainage Right-of-Way bylaw.

Moved by A. Wong, seconded by J. Fraser, that the Board of Education of School District No. 39 (Vancouver) Nootka Elementary School Drainage Statutory Right-of-Way Bylaw 2020 be read a first time the 14th day of December 2020.

The Chairperson asked if there were any trustees not in support of the motion. There being none, the motion was

APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved by A. Wong, seconded by E. Gonzalez, that the Board of Education of School District No. 39 (Vancouver) Nootka Elementary School Drainage Statutory Right-of-Way Bylaw 2020 be read a second time the 14th day of December 2020.

The Chairperson asked if there were any trustees not in support of the motion. There being none, the motion was

APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved by A. Wong, seconded by J. Fraser, that the Board of Education of School District No. 39 (Vancouver) approves having all three readings of the Nootka Elementary School Drainage Statutory Right-of-Way Bylaw 2020 the 14th day of December 2020.

The Chairperson asked if there were any trustees not in support of the motion. There being none, the motion was

APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved by A. Wong, seconded by F. Ballantyne, that the Board of Education of School District No. 39 (Vancouver) Nootka Elementary School Drainage Statutory Right-of-Way Bylaw 2020 be read a third time the 14th day of December 2020; and further

That the Secretary-Treasurer be authorized to sign, seal and register the Board of Education of School District No. 39 (Vancouver) Nootka Elementary School Drainage Statutory Right-of-Way Bylaw 2020; and

That the signed and sealed Board of Education of School District No. 39 (Vancouver) Nootka Elementary School Drainage Statutory Right-of-Way Bylaw 2020 be forwarded to the Ministry of Education, Funding Department, for registration and certification, and to Metro Vancouver for registration at Land Titles office as required.

Trustees voted on the motion.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.3 1st Floor 1580 West Broadway Lease Bylaw

As Chairperson of the Facilities Planning Committee, Trustee Wong reviewed the reasons for the 1st Floor 1580 West Broadway Lease Bylaw. The space is leased to Focused Education Resources.

Moved by A. Wong, seconded by E. Gonzalez, that the Board of Education of School District No. 39 (Vancouver) 1st Floor 1580 West Broadway Lease Bylaw 2020 be read a first time the 14th day of December, 2020.

The Chairperson asked if there were any trustees not in support of the motion. There being none, the motion was

APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved by A. Wong, seconded by L. Chan-Pedley, that the Board of Education of School District No. 39 (Vancouver) 1st Floor 1580 West Broadway Lease Bylaw 2020 be read a second time the 14th day of December, 2020.

The Chairperson asked if there were any trustees not in support of the motion. There being none, the motion was

APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved by A. Wong, seconded by E. Gonzalez, that the Board of Education of School District No. 39 (Vancouver) approves having all three readings of the 1st Floor 1580 West Broadway Lease Bylaw 2020 the 14th day of December, 2020.

The Chairperson asked if there were any trustees not in support of the motion. There being none, the motion was

APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved by A. Wong, seconded by E. Gonzalez, that the Board of Education of School District No. 39 (Vancouver) 1st Floor 1580 West Broadway Lease Bylaw 2020 be read a third time the 14th day of December, 2020;

And further,

That the Secretary-Treasurer be and is hereby authorized on behalf of the Board, to execute and deliver the Lease and all related documents required to complete the lease of the Premises to the Tenant pursuant to the terms of the Lease.

Trustees voted on the motion.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9. NOTICES OF MOTION

9.1 Notice of Motion from Trustee Gonzalez – Reinstatement of the Chief Educator Role at the Ministry of Education

Moved by E. Gonzalez, seconded by L. Chan-Pedley, that the Vancouver Board of Education write the Ministry of Education and request the reinstatement of the Chief Educator Role at the Ministry.

Trustee Gonzalez reviewed the background of the motion and trustees voted on the motion.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.2 Notice of Motion from Trustee Reddy – No Sale of Public Land

Moved by J. Reddy, seconded by J. Fraser, that the Vancouver Board of Education not dispose of any of its land by sale or transfer in fee simple. This would not preclude land swaps or leases pursuant to the procedure in Policy 20.

As the mover of the motion, Trustee Reddy referred the motion to the Facilities Planning Committee.

9.3 Notice of Motion from Trustee Wong – Letter to the Public Health Agency of Canada Vaccine

Trustee Wong provided notice that he intends to bring a motion to the January public Board meeting that a letter be written to the Public Health Agency of Canada requesting to prioritize school based teachers, administrators and support staff to be included in the 2nd group to be offered vaccinations against COVID-19.

10. PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

The Chairperson responded to questions regarding:

- The 2021 BC Provincial Budget and the VSB Budget timeline
- Statistics on how students are affected by COVID-19
- The School Liaison Officer Program Review

11. ADJOURNMENT

Trustees agreed to adjourn by consensus.

The meeting adjourned at 8:52 pm.

J. David Green, Secretary Treasurer

Carmen Cho, Chairperson

TIMELINE FOR 2020-2021 BUDGET DEVELOPMENT

Date	Meeting	Purpose
November 23, 2020	Finance Committee	Budget process and timeline
November 30, 2020	Board Public Meeting	Approve budget process and timeline
January 11, 2021 (TBC)	Stakeholder Workshop	
January 11, 2021 (TBC)	Stakeholder Workshop	
January 13, 2021 (TBC)	Stakeholder Workshop	
January 13, 2021 (TBC)	Stakeholder Workshop	
January 14, 2021 (TBC)	Stakeholder Workshop	
January 14, 2021 (TBC)	Stakeholder Workshop	
January 15, 2021	Release Budget Process Document	Describe the process and survey assumptions and priorities
January 15, 2021 (TBC)	Stakeholder Workshop	
January 15, 2021 (TBC)	Stakeholder Workshop	
January 18, 2021 (TBC)	Stakeholder Workshop	
January 18, 2021 (TBC)	Stakeholder Workshop	
January 20, 2021	Finance Committee	Budget Process document, Draft Public Engagement questions
February 2, 2021	Committee of the Whole	Delegations, Stakeholder and public input on priorities and stakeholder workshops feedback
February 8, 2021	Budget Survey Open	Survey open for input – budget priorities, budget proposals
February 17, 2021	Finance Committee	Amended Budget, review CoTW input
February 19, 2021	Budget Survey Closes	
February 22, 2021	Board Public Meeting	Amended Budget Approval
March 2, 2021	Committee of the Whole	Delegations, Stakeholder and public input on priorities, budget survey results
March 12, 2021		MoE Funding Announcement
March 15 – 26, 2021	Spring Break	Develop Budget 2021-22 draft
March 29, 2021	Special Board Public Meeting	Present Status Quo Budget 2021-22 draft
April 6, 2021	Committee of the Whole	Delegations, Stakeholder and public input on draft budget
April 15, 2021	Committee of the Whole	Delegations, Stakeholder and public input on draft budget
April 21, 2021	Finance Committee Meeting	
April 16-22, 2021	Staff	Prepare recommendations based on delegation and stakeholder feedback for trustees to consider at its April 26, 2021 Board meeting.
April 26, 2021	Board Public Meeting	Three Readings and Adoption of Budget 2021-22

FACILITIES PLANNING COMMITTEE

Wednesday, December 16, 2020

Committee Report to the Board, January 25, 2021

The Chairperson of the Committee called the meeting to order and acknowledged that the meeting is being held on the traditional unceded territory of the Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-Wautuh Nations and reviewed meeting decorum. This meeting was live-streamed and the audio and visual recording is also available to the public for viewing after the meeting. The footage of the meeting may be viewed inside and outside of Canada.

The Chairperson stated that this meeting was called specifically for the Long Range Facilities Plan, as requested by stakeholders to Trustees.

A master PowerPoint presentation detailing the flow of the agenda was provided throughout the meeting, a copy of which is on file with the meeting agenda.

1. Long Range Facilities Plan Update

The Secretary Treasurer and the Director of Educational Planning gave a presentation dated December 16, 2020, entitled **Long Range Facilities Plan (LRFP)**.

The Secretary Treasurer presented the outline of the LRFP structure and the road map. He also spoke to the purpose and relevance of the LRFP in guiding the development of the 5-year Capital Plan process. He then presented the guiding principles and assumptions used in the plan and summarized the engagement process. The Director of Educational Planning presented the demographic information, building conditions, operating capacities and studies conducted by staff about space use and school catchment areas.

The Committee members and stakeholder representatives provided feedback and staff answered questions and provided clarification on various points.

The Chairperson stated that the LRFP confidential draft will be made available to stakeholders and trustees for review before the winter break but asked for questions and comments to be put on hold until January 4th, 2021.

The Chairperson, on behalf of the committee, thanked staff for the work carried out in developing the LRFP document, including the numerous workshops and correspondence with stakeholder groups and trustees.

2. Information Item Requests: None

3. Date and Time of Next Meeting

The next meeting of this Committee is currently scheduled for January 13, 2021 at 5:00 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 6:52 pm.

Allan Wong, Chairperson

Committee Members Present
in the room:

Allan Wong, Carmen Cho

Committee Members Present in Teams: Oliver Hanson, Jennifer Reddy

Other Trustees Present in Teams: Fraser Ballantyne, Lois Chan-Pedley, Janet Fraser, Estrellita Gonzalez, Barb Parrott

Senior Management Present in Teams: Carmen Batista, Pedro da Silva, David Green, Suzanne Hoffman

Other Staff Present in Teams: John Dawson, James de Hoop, Ron Macdonald

Association Representatives Present in Teams: Terry Stanway, VSTA
Allison Jambor, VESTA
Kelly Egilsson, VASSA
Karen Noel-Bentley, VEPVPA
Tim Chester, IUOE
Ajaz Hassan, PASA
Cynthia Schadt, CUPE 15
Amanda Hillis, DPAC
Brent Boyd, CUPE 407
Joe Sugarman, VDSD

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1. Delegations

The following delegations presented at the meeting regarding the motion referred from the December 14, 2020 Board Meeting – No Sale of Public Land:

- 1.1 Nathan Davidowicz
- 1.2 Kyla Epstein

Committee members asked questions and the delegates responded.

2. Re-Naming of David Lloyd George and Sir Matthew Begbie Elementary Schools

The Deputy Superintendent presented a report dated January 13, 2021 entitled ***Re-Naming of David Lloyd George and Sir Matthew Begbie Elementary Schools***. The report includes information on a pilot project being undertaken for draft Administrative Procedure 542 (AP 542 - Re-naming Existing School Facilities). The report has been brought to the Committee as part of phase one of the draft Administrative Procedure. He reviewed background information and reported that feedback will be gathered for consideration during the pilot project before finalizing AP 542 for the Superintendent's consideration.

Chris Stanger, Director of Instruction, reviewed the process in gathering information for the completed Appendix A forms for the two pilot schools.

The Chairperson asked Committee members if there were any questions on the process of the pilot project. Questions were asked and staff provided clarification.

Trustees and stakeholder representatives provided feedback on Appendix A for renaming David Lloyd George Elementary. Following discussion, the Chairperson confirmed there was committee support for changing the name of David Lloyd George Elementary.

Alison Ogden, Director of Instruction, provided further information on the process in gathering information for the completed Appendix A for Sir Matthew Begbie Elementary.

Trustees and stakeholder representatives provided feedback. Following discussion, the Chairperson confirmed there was committee support for changing the name of Sir Matthew Begbie Elementary.

The following two recommendations will be taken to the Board for consideration:

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT the Board approve the renaming of David Lloyd George Elementary.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT the Board approve the renaming of Sir Matthew Begbie Elementary.

3. Motion Referred from the December 14, 2020 Board Meeting – No Sale of Public Land

The Chairperson introduced this item and presented a report dated January 13, 2021 entitled ***Motion Referred from the December 14, 2020 Board Meeting – No Sale of Public Land***. Trustee Reddy reviewed the rationale for the motion.

Trustees and stakeholder representatives provided feedback and Trustee Reddy provided clarification on various points. During discussion, the Secretary Treasurer referred stakeholders to Board Policy 20 – Disposal of Land or Improvements.

After checking with committee members, the Chairperson confirmed the proposed motion will return to the board for consideration but there is no recommendation from the committee.

4. Feedback from Joint Stakeholder/Trustee Workshop – January 6, 2021 re: 2020 Lang Range Facilities Plan (LRFP)

The Secretary Treasurer presented and reviewed a report dated January 13, 2021 entitled ***Feedback from Joint Stakeholder/Trustee Workshop – January 6, 2021 re: 2020 Lang Range Facilities Plan***. The report includes information on changes made to the draft LRFP since the joint workshop and after discussing the draft with the Ministry of Education.

In reviewing items from the workshop taken away for consideration and items taken away that staff consider should be advocacy statements (on page 2 of the report), the Secretary Treasurer confirmed items could be added before or after approval of the plan on January 25, 2021. He requested feedback from the committee.

Trustees and stakeholder representatives provided feedback and staff provided clarification. The meanings of “market share” and “closed boundary” were discussed and the Chairperson requested staff provide further information to the District Parents’ Advisory Council.

Following discussion the Chairperson summarized next steps, as listed below:

- The following items would be added to the 2020 LRFP prior to approval:
 - An appendix that lists the 114 portables and what they are being used for
 - An appendix including information on tiered schools
- There will be further discussion regarding a section that addresses active transportation, for inclusion later.
- There will be further consideration regarding:
 - Including a column for “market share” in the enrolment tables in the Families of Schools sections after more information on market share is provided.
 - providing an overlay of where kids live in the seismic charts, during the planning studies stage.
- The following two items were referred to the Advocacy Committee:
 - Can the District get the Ministry to exclude space that has been repurposed for a use other than instructional use from capacity utilization calculations?

- In Section 5.8 Community use of Schools – Can we add an advocacy bullet to this section to “Encourage the Province” to allow NLC’s to be designated for these purposes that are not purpose built?

5. Changes to 2020 Long Range Facilities Plan

The Secretary Treasurer presented a report dated January 13, 2021 entitled **Changes to 2020 Long Range Facilities Plan**. The report includes information on changes made to the LRP from December 23, 2020 to January 11, 2021 when the draft plan was published.

The Chairperson requested feedback on this agenda item be submitted by email to the Secretary Treasurer and himself, referencing the specific item and page number. The Secretary Treasurer requested the date of the plan being referred to also be indicated, as the page numbers differ between the December 23, 2020 and January 11, 2021 versions.

6. Feedback Received from Members of the Public

The Secretary Treasurer introduced this item and reported feedback emails received from the public regarding the 2020 Long Range Facilities Plan will be put on website and distributed to trustees through the Trustee Memo. Feedback will now be received until June 25, 2021 and this will be updated on the LRF website.

The Director of Educational Planning and Student Information presented and reviewed a report dated January 13, 2021 entitled **2020 LRF Feedback Received by 3 pm January 13, 2021**.

Trustees and stakeholder representatives provided feedback and staff provided clarification.

7. 2020 Draft Long Range Facilities Plan

The Chairperson reminded everyone the Long Range Facilities Plan is a dynamic document and will change over time.

The Secretary Treasurer requested it be opened up for discussion in order to adopt the 2020 Draft Long Range Facilities Plan.

The Chairperson reminded everyone the draft 2020 LRF had been reviewed in detail at the Facilities Planning/Trustee workshop on January 6, 2021 and had also been discussed at the October, November and December, 2020 Facilities Planning meetings. He requested the discussion now be summarized on areas of the plan only, rather than specific items.

Feedback was provided by stakeholders and trustees. During discussion:

- The Chairperson requested specific questions be submitted by email.
- The Secretary Treasurer summarized how the 2020 LRF document was created (i.e. based on both vision and Ministry guidelines for the 5 year capital plan process).

Due to time constraints, the Chairperson called a brief recess to determine next steps for moving forward.

Following the recess, the Chairperson announced there would be an additional meeting of the Facilities Planning Committee on Monday, January 18, 2021, in order to consider further feedback. The Secretary Treasurer requested specific questions be provided in advance of the meeting.

8. Information Item Requests: None

9. Date and Time of Next Meeting

The next meeting of this Committee is currently scheduled for Monday, January 18, 2021 at 5:00 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 7:56 pm.

Allan Wong, Chairperson

Committee Members Present in Teams: Carmen Cho, Oliver Hanson, Jennifer Reddy, Allan Wong

Other Trustees Present in Teams: Fraser Ballantyne, Lois Chan-Pedley, Janet Fraser, Estrellita Gonzalez, Barb Parrott

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Ajaz Hassan, PASA
Christopher Brown, CUPE 15
Amanda Hillis, DPAC / Vik Khana, DPAC
Brent Boyd, CUPE 407
Joe Sugarman, VDSD

Administrative Procedure 542 – Appendix A

RE-NAMING EXISTING SCHOOL FACILITIES

The process of considering a school for renaming is guided by Administrative Procedure 542 (Renaming Existing School Facilities)

Administrative Procedure 542 outlines 3 pathways for a school to be identified for possible renaming.

1. The school has been approved and funded for full replacement as part of the seismic mitigation program.
2. The school community, including students*, staff, and PAC, have put forward a request, in writing, to the Superintendent to have the school name reviewed and considered for possible renaming.
3. By passing of a Board Motion for a review of the school name. (Policy 2)

*grade 6 to 12 students

Please indicate which of the following pathways for renaming review have taken place:
 funding has been advanced (Project Agreement) for seismic replacement of the school
 review has been supported by school community
 Board Motion has been adopted to review the name

At least one of the above must be indicated for a review to proceed.

Process:

The following information will be reviewed and considered by the Facilities Planning Committee. The Committee will make a recommendation following discussion which will be forwarded to the Board for decision.

Part I: Information for Consideration of Facilities Planning Committee

Current School Name: David Lloyd George

Information on the school namesake

Birth: Jan 17, 1863

Death: March 26, 1945

Occupation(s): Politician and UK Prime Minister

Citizenship: British/Welsh

Other relevant demographic information:

- Was noted for bringing public voting to all men and women by 1918
- Key player in the Paris Peace Conference of 1919: advocated for a reasonable reparation plan, but was outvoted by other Allied leaders
- Negotiated for Irish independence in 1921 would grant Ireland free statehood
- Initiated reforms in education, housing, wages, health, public works
- Activated a national insurance act 1911, which became a model for similar employment and health insurance acts in other Commonwealth nations such as Canada
- Prime Minister from 1916-22

Name sakes connection to Canada? (To British Columbia? To Vancouver?)

Canada is a member of the British Commonwealth, DLG was Prime Minister of UK.
Health Insurance Act of 1911 impacted service delivery in Canada as a commonwealth nation.
No available info in terms of connection to BC or Vancouver
Only visited Canada once.

Namesakes connection to Indigenous communities in Canada?

No apparent connection to Indigenous communities in Canada.

Did the namesake have a connection to education?

Contributions to Education in UK include: The Education Act 1918 raised the school leaving age to 14, increased the powers and duties of the Board of Education (together with the money it could provide to Local Education Authorities), and introduced a system of compulsory part-time continuation schools for children between the ages of 14 and 16. These initiatives in the UK may have influenced developments in Canadian education system.

Was the namesake a member of a group underrepresented in current VBE school names?

No

What is the primary legacy of the namesake? Is this legacy one that has positive associations within the community?

- a) *contributions and impact on education? Children and youth?*
- b) *contributions to literature? Science? Arts? Medicine? Technology?*
- c) *contributions to advancement of progressive laws related to human rights and freedoms?*
- d) *Other contributions?*

Progressive laws and changes to Health, Education, Workers' rights, Voters' rights...

Does the primary legacy of the namesake align with District Mission and Values of respect, cooperation, and social responsibility?

Political initiatives and advocacy work, albeit enmeshed in the cultural attitudes of his time period, illustrate a social conscience dedicated to supporting social change and progressive programs in areas of Public Health, Education and Employment rights/benefits.

Is the school name strongly connected to the school identify? What is the current feeling within the school community about the possibility of changing the name?

No real feeling of connection to the name within the school community.
Some staff felt a school should not be named after him. Others were indifferent.
Some families did not know what the actual name was: Lloyd George, David Lloyd, DLG...
Students did not express connection to the name nor knew anything about who the namesake was and so also expressed a lack of connection to and indifference to the name.
PAC: some members acknowledged privilege and acknowledged that such a name could be seen as a reflection of that and so felt the name no longer would be appropriate for a school name.
Open to a new name, though curious about what a new name might be...

Other information and/or considerations in regard to the legacy and contributions of the namesake?

Did bring a progressive perspective in terms of advancing social rights and equality, though he was a person of his time.
Recognize that by nature of who he was, he does represent a colonial figure and so may no longer be an appropriate namesake for a VSB school building.

Part II: Recommendation of Facilities Planning Committee to the Board

- That the school be renamed.
OR
- That the school name be retained.

It is recommended that the Board approve the renaming of David Lloyd George.

Adopted: (DATE TBD)

Administrative Procedure 542 – Appendix A

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- funding has been advanced (Project Agreement) for seismic replacement of the school
- review has been supported by school community
- Board Motion has been adopted to review the name

At least one of the above must be indicated for a review to proceed.

Process:

The following information will be reviewed and considered by the Facilities Planning Committee. The Committee will make a recommendation following discussion which will be forwarded to the Board for decision.

Part I: Information for Consideration of Facilities Planning Committee

Current School Name: Sir Matthew Begbie Elementary

Information on the school namesake

Birth: May 9, 1819

Death: June 11, 1894

Occupation(s): judge and politician

Citizenship: Canadian

Other relevant demographic information:

He was knighted by Queen Victoria in 1875.

Name sakes connection to Canada? (To British Columbia? To Vancouver?)

Matthew Begbie was born on a British ship en route to the island of Mauritius, where he lived until he was seven. He then moved back to Great Britain where he pursued his education and became a lawyer. He moved to Fort Langley at the age of 39 on the invitation of James Douglas, who had just been named the governor of British Columbia.

Begbie was the colony of British Columbia’s first judge from 1858-1871, chief justice of the Supreme Court of the United Colonies from 1870 to 1871, and the province’s first chief justice from 1871-1894. Begbie was first sworn into office in Fort Langley, BC on November 19, 1858.

Begbie's primary contribution to British Columbia was to bring British law to the scattered mining communities. He spent his time travelling to virtually all settled areas in the colony and holding court. Later, in his role as chief justice, Begbie prepared much of the colonial legislation. The three most important statutes proclaimed in the colony prior to its union with Vancouver Island in 1866 were the product of his work: the Aliens Act (1859), the Gold Fields Act (1859), and the Pre-emption Act (1860).

Namesakes connection to Indigenous communities in Canada?

Much of Begbie's connection to Indigenous communities in British Columbia is detailed below in the 'primary legacy' section. Additional information includes Begbie's controversial attitudes (at the time) and his positive opinion of BC's Indigenous peoples. In 1860, Begbie found a white Californian man by the name of William Marshall guilty of assaulting an Indigenous man based only on the testimony of Indigenous people, the first time this had ever occurred. In 1889, he overturned the conviction of a man who had plead guilty to potlatching, holding that the law against it was too vague and unfair to support lawful convictions.

Begbie spoke the Chinook trade language and used it in court to converse with Indigenous people who also spoke the language. He recognized the concept of Indigenous marriage and allowed an oath for truth-telling that recognized Indigenous beliefs. He allowed people of other cultures to swear an oath of truth on an object sacred to them in place of the Bible.

He fought efforts to displace Indigenous people from their homes and grazing lands, and in the 1870s he persuaded the federal government to preserve their traditional fishing rights on the lower Fraser River. He was also responsible for provincial legislation giving Indigenous women who had lived in common-law relationships with white men a percentage of their estates if they died intestate.

Did the namesake have a connection to education?

No

Was the namesake a member of a group underrepresented in current VBE school names?

No

What is the primary legacy of the namesake? Is this legacy one that has positive associations within the community?

- a) ***contributions and impact on education? Children and youth?***
- b) ***contributions to literature? Science? Arts? Medicine? Technology?***
- c) ***contributions to advancement of progressive laws related to human rights and freedoms?***
- d) ***Other contributions?***

Begbie's primary legacy, which is overwhelmingly negative, is that he is known as the hanging judge. In 1864, Begbie presided over the murder trial of six Tsilhqot'in men (Klatsassin, Telloot, Chessus, Piell, Tahpit and Chedekki) who were part of the Chilcotin War and accused of killing 20 people. Begbie appointed George Barnston as defense counsel when Barnston was related by marriage and business ties to one of the parties that the Tsilhqot'in believed spread smallpox. Begbie also concealed from Governor Seymour information that the Tsilhqot'in had been induced to attend a peace conference with false promises. The six Tsilhqot'in men were found guilty by juries and sentenced to hang. The juries were not independent as many were employees at the HBC at Fort Alexandria (where employees had been hiding in the fields with rifles during the Chilcotin War). Begbie pronounced the mandatory sentence. Because of this, he was referred to as "the hanging judge".

In 1993, the NDP attorney general, Colin Gabelmann, apologized for the executions, and in 2014 Liberal premier Christy Clark exonerated the chiefs, who asserted they were driven by the fear of disease from encroaching settlements and the planned road from Bute Inlet on the coast to Barkerville in the Cariboo gold fields.

Does the primary legacy of the namesake align with District Mission and Values of respect, cooperation, and social responsibility?

No

Is the school name strongly connected to the school identity? What is the current feeling within the school community about the possibility of changing the name?

Staff

Discussions have taken place at SAC meetings beginning in May 2019 when issues regarding the removal of the Begbie statue in New Westminster came to light in the media. Staff were informed of the possibility of a policy change with respect to school re-naming and the timeliness of considering a name change.

At two Staff Advisory Committee (SAC) meetings in the fall of 2020, the question was considered as a discussion item with respect to school connection to the current name and the possibility of a new name. The question of the involvement of Indigenous voice in the process was brought to the table.

Given the discussion at SAC meetings, it is fair to say the consensus at this time is that the school name is not strongly connected to the school identity. The current feeling within staff, is people are in support of a name change at this time.

Parents

Discussion has taken place at several PAC meetings beginning in Spring of 2019 due to news reports involving the school namesake. Questions of timing and process were discussed at that time as the re-naming policy was under review. There was discussion from several parents speaking in support of a name change. Other parents spoke in support of retaining the name.

In the Autumn of 2020, the question was again discussed by PAC members with the adoption of the new naming policy. One parent presented research regarding the history of the namesake and spoke strongly in support of a name change. There was also discussion of the question of the relative progressive nature of the namesake when compared with the times.

Given the discussion at PAC meetings, it is fair to say the consensus opinion at this time is that the school name is not strongly connected to the school identity. The current feeling within the parent community is people are in support of a name change at this time.

Overall – there were not strong feelings from school staff or the community about a connection between the name and the school identity. Parents felt more strongly in support of changing the school name than did staff.

Other information and/or considerations in regard to the legacy and contributions of the namesake?

There were two statues of Begbie located in Vancouver, one in the foyer of the Law Society of British Columbia offices and one outside the Law Courts in New Westminster. In 2017, the Law Society of BC removed the statue of Begbie from the foyer of its Vancouver building and took his name off the bronze awards given to honour lifetime contributions to the legal profession. The statue of Begbie was removed from the Law Courts in New Westminster on July 6, 2019.

Part II: Recommendation of Facilities Planning Committee to the Board

- That the school be renamed.
- OR
- That the school name be retained.

It is recommended that the Board approve the renaming of Sir Matthew Begbie Elementary.

Adopted: (DATE TBD)

January 13, 2021

ITEM 5.1.4.2

TO: Board of Education

FROM: Facilities Planning Committee

RE: Motion referred from the December 14, 2020 Board Meeting: No Sale of Public Land

The attached motion, with rationale, was moved by Trustee Reddy, seconded by Trustee Fraser at the December 14, 2020 Board meeting, and referred to the Facilities Planning Committee.

The motion is being returned to the Board for consideration.

The vote on this motion by voting members of the Facilities Planning Committee resulted in a tie, which means the motion was not supported by the Committee.

Attachment

No Sale of Public Land

REFERENCE TO STRATEGIC PLAN:

Goal 1: Engage our learners through innovative teaching and learning practices.

Goal 2: Build capacity in our community through strengthening collective leadership.

Goal 3: Create a culture of care and shared social responsibility.

Goal 4: Provide effective leadership, governance and stewardship.

PROPOSED MOTION:

That the Vancouver Board of Education not dispose of any of its land by sale or transfer in fee simple. This would not preclude land swaps or leases pursuant to the procedure in Policy 20.

RATIONALE:

WHEREAS

The Vancouver School Board Trustees are holding public lands on behalf of current and future generations of children, youth, and families in Vancouver.

WHEREAS

The Long Range Facilities Plan consultation process engaging over 4,000 individuals has indicated that the public does not support the sale of Vancouver School Board land

FACILITIES PLANNING COMMITTEE

Monday, January 18, 2021

Committee Report to the Board, January 25, 2021

The Chairperson of the Committee called the meeting to order and acknowledged that the meeting is being held on the traditional unceded territory of the Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-Wautuh Nations and reviewed meeting decorum. This meeting was live-streamed and the audio and visual recording is also available to the public for viewing after the meeting. The footage of the meeting may be viewed inside and outside of Canada.

A master PowerPoint presentation detailing the flow of the agenda was provided throughout the meeting, a copy of which is on file with the meeting agenda.

The Chairperson informed everyone that attendance of stakeholders at this meeting was optional. He also acknowledged January 18th as Martin Luther King Day in the United States and the first Black Shirt Day, which was on January 15, 2021.

1. Delegations

The following delegations presented at the meeting regarding the Long Range Facilities Plan.

1.1 Queen Elizabeth Annex Parents' Advisory Council – Rebecca Pitfield, Lia Gudaitis, and Nadine Ho

Committee members and stakeholders asked questions and the delegates responded.

2. 2020 Long Range Facilities Plan

In introducing this item, the Chairperson informed everyone that trustees are at the meeting to listen and get as much information as possible. Trustees will make a decision at the Board meeting on Monday, January 25, 2021 regarding the Long Range Facilities Plan (LRFP).

The Secretary Treasurer provided a verbal update on work being done on the LRFP document based on feedback received at the January 13, 2021 Facilities Planning meeting. The document will be updated further, prior to the June 25, 2021 Board meeting. He recognized the document is iterative and will always have changes being made to it.

The Chairperson informed everyone feedback is still being received through the LRFP email address. The Secretary Treasurer provided clarification on the use of the LRFP email address and confirmed the email address will remain open following the June 25, 2021 Board meeting.

Stakeholders and trustees discussed the Long Range Facilities Plan. During discussion, the Chairperson requested trustees receive as much information as possible in order to make a decision on the LRFP recommendation going to the Board.

Stakeholders and trustees provided feedback and staff provided clarification.

After checking with committee members there was no consensus to advance the recommendation to adopt the LRFP to the Board, as a majority was not arrived at. The Chairperson then stated the LRFP will be going to the Board for further consideration and deliberation.

3. Information Item Requests: None

4. Date and Time of Next Meeting

The next meeting of this Committee is currently scheduled for Wednesday, March 10, 2021 at 5:00 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 7:03 pm.

Allan Wong, Chairperson

Committee Members Present in Teams: Carmen Cho, Oliver Hanson, Jennifer Reddy, Allan Wong

Other Trustees Present in Teams: Fraser Ballantyne, Lois Chan-Pedley, Barb Parrott

Senior Management Present in Teams: David Green

Other Staff Present in Teams: John Dawson, James de Hoop

Association Representatives Present in Teams: Allison Jambor, VESTA
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January 25, 2021

ITEM 5.1.6.1

TO: Board of Education

FROM: Facilities Planning Committee

RE: **Long Range Facilities Plan**

The following recommendation was presented at the January 18, 2021 Facilities Planning Committee:

It is recommended that the Facilities Planning Committee approves the 2020 Long Range Facilities Plan by consensus and forwards it to the Board of Education for approval.

The vote on this recommendation by voting members of the Facilities Planning Committee resulted in a tie, which means the recommendation was not supported by the Committee.

After the January 18, 2021 Facilities Planning Committee meeting further changes have been made to the Long Range Facilities Plan and the Long Range Facilities Plan [linked here](#) is being presented for approval with the following motion:

That the Vancouver Board of Education approve the 2020 Long Range Facilities Plan.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Wednesday, January 20, 2021

Committee Report to the Board, January 20, 2021

The Chairperson of the Committee called the meeting to order and acknowledged that the meeting is being held on the traditional unceded territory of the Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-Wautuh Nations and reviewed meeting decorum. This meeting was live-streamed and the audio and visual recording is also available to the public for viewing after the meeting. The footage of the meeting may be viewed inside and outside of Canada.

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1. COVID-19 Funding Update

The Assistant Secretary Treasurer presented a report dated January 20, 2021 entitled **COVID-19 Funding Update**. The report provides an update on COVID-19 funding and expenditures from the Provincial Safe Return to School Grant and the Federal Safe Return to Class Fund through December 31, 2020 for both. Detailed information can be found in the PowerPoint presentation.

Trustees and stakeholder representatives provided feedback and staff provided clarification on various points.

This was provided for information.

2. Budget Monitoring & Reporting Administrative Procedure

The Secretary Treasurer presented a report dated January 20, 2021 entitled **Budget Monitoring & Reporting Administrative Procedure (AP)**. The report refers to the Budget Monitoring & Reporting Administrative Procedure which will be advanced to the working group for inclusion into the Administrative Procedure Manual. The report includes a discussion on the Board's responsibility, regular reporting on the District's financial position, the allocation of resources for the development of an annual budget, providing context on working within a finite funding envelope and context on the budget pressures as well as the uncertainty around continued COVID-19 funding.

This was provided for information.

3. 2020-2021 Amended Budget Changes

The Assistant Secretary Treasurer presented a report dated January 20, 2021 entitled **2020-2021 Amended Budget Changes**. The report includes information on known budget variances which have occurred since the budget was adopted in June 2020.

Trustees and stakeholder representatives provided feedback and staff provided clarification on various points.

This was provided for information.

4. Budget Guide 2021-2022

The Assistant Secretary Treasurer presented a report dated January 20, 2021 entitled **Budget Guide 2021-2022**. The guide talks about the budget process and the principles and assumptions that are used in the budget process. It also details cost pressures, priorities and timelines and gives a comparison of where the District is with other districts in terms of funding and annual expenditures.

Stakeholder representatives provided feedback and staff provided context on the development of a three-year financial plan.

This was provided for information.

5. Business Development Update

The Manager of Business Development presented a report dated January 20, 2021 entitled **Budget Development Update**. The report provides an update on the status of grants which were pending in the May 2020 report. It also includes information on funding and gift-in-kind donations acquired from July 2020 - January 2021 for a total \$0.72 million. There are currently pending grant applications for a total of \$0.28 million.

Trustees and stakeholder representatives provided feedback and staff provided clarification on various points.

This was provided for information.

6. Information Item Requests: None.

7. Date and Time of Next Meeting

The next meeting of this Committee is scheduled for Wednesday, February, 17, 2021 at 5:00 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 6:29 pm.

Oliver Hanson, Chairperson

Committee Members Present
in the Teams:

Oliver Hanson, Estrellita Gonzalez,
Lois Chan-Pedley, Allan Wong

Other Trustees Present in Teams:

Janet Fraser, Barb Parrott,
Jennifer Reddy, Carmen Cho

Senior Management Present in the Teams:

Carmen Batista, Pedro da Silva, J . David Green,
Suzanne Hoffman

Association Representatives Present in Teams: Terry Stanway, VSTA
Allison Jambor, VESTA
Mike Vulgaris, VASSA
Joel Levine, VEPVPA
Skye Richards, DPAC
Tyson Shmyr, PASA
Warren Williams, CUPE 15
Brent Boyd, CUPE 407
Harjit Khangura, IUOE
Brian Guan, VDSC

STUDENT LEARNING AND WELL-BEING COMMITTEE

Wednesday, January 20, 2021

Committee Report to the Board, Monday, January 25, 2021

The Chairperson of the Committee called the meeting to order and acknowledged that the meeting is being held on the traditional unceded territory of the Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-Wautuh Nations and reviewed meeting decorum. This meeting was live-streamed and the audio and visual recording is also available to the public for viewing after the meeting. The footage of the meeting may be viewed inside and outside of Canada.

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1. Delegations

The following delegations presented at the meeting on various topics relating to Option 4, COVID-19, and secondary school schedules:

- Jeni Haskett, Option 4 Families of Vancouver
- Dr. Susan Kuo
- Kate Newstead
- Nancy Small, Group of Parents
- Scott Lowrey and Allison Wright, Option 4 Students, Mount Pleasant Elementary
- Stephanie Angel-Garay, ELL High School Students and Parents
- Theresa Gibbons, Templeton

2. Music Review

The Director of Instruction, C. Stanger showed a PowerPoint presentation and referred to the memorandum dated January 20, 2021 entitled **Music Review**. He presented background information and the report that included information on the summary of the Elementary Music Review that was completed in April 2020 by external consultant John White. Recommendations will be brought forward to the next Student Learning and Well-Being Committee on February 10, 2021.

Trustees and stakeholder representatives provided feedback and staff provided clarification on various points.

This was provided for information.

3. COVID-19 Update: Option 4 – Learning from Home Transition

The Director of Instruction, R. Zerbe showed a PowerPoint presentation and provided an update on Option 4 – Learning from Home Transition.

Trustees and stakeholder representatives provided feedback and staff provided clarification on various points.

This was provided for information.

4. COVID-19 Update: Secondary Schools

The Directors of Instruction, A. Ogden and A. Davis showed a PowerPoint presentation and provided a review of the Secondary Model and outlined Quarter 3 Refinements.

Trustees and stakeholder representatives provided feedback and staff provided clarification on various points.

This was provided for information.

5. Follow-up SLWB November 18th

The following updates will be postponed to the next Student Learning & Well-Being Committee meeting.

1. VLN Enrollment/Completion Information
2. Supports for Students of African Ancestry

6. Information Item Requests: None

7. Date and Time of Next Meeting

The next meeting of this Committee is scheduled for Wednesday, February 10, 2021 at 5:00 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Jennifer Reddy, Chairperson

Committee Members Present in Teams: Carmen Cho, Janet Fraser, Barb Parrott, Jennifer Reddy

Trustees Present in Teams: Estrellita Gonzalez, Allan Wong

Senior Management Present in Teams: Rob Schindel, Jody Langlois, Suzanne Hoffman, Pedro da Silva
Carmen Batista, David Nelson

Association Representatives Present in Teams: Terry Stanway, VSTA
Joanne Sutherland, VESTA
David Nicks, VASSA
Shannon Burton, VEPVPA
Audrey Van Alstyne, PASA
Sandra Bell, DPAC
Marisa Kikeakos, CUPE 15
Harjit Khangura, IUOE
Catherine Diyanov, VDSC

Other Staff Present in Teams: Chris Stanger
Richard Zerbe
Aaron Davis
Alison Ogden

LIAISON TRUSTEE REPORT

ITEM 7.1

Name of Committee/Organization: Racial and Ethno-Cultural Equity Advisory Committee

Liaison Trustee: Allan Wong

Date of Meeting: January 14, 2021 (Meeting did not reach quorum). I asked the chair and staff to email the VSB SLO motion (below) to all RECE members.

Topics Discussed Most Relevant to the VSB:

Hi Teresita,

Could you send this out to the RECE committee members. I wanted to share this Vancouver School Board motion that was adopted in Oct 26, 2020 regarding the VSB SLO Program Review:

That as part of the Racism and Discrimination Strategic Plan the role of VPD/RCMP in schools, including School Liaison Officers (SLOs) and related activities and events, be reviewed, led by independent third party experts.

1. *With respect to gathering input, those would be experts in communications and consultation and be informed that the review's primary focus is to seek input from VSB stakeholders, local First Nations and community members/groups, including but not limited to:*

- *Students/Vancouver District Student Council (VDSC)*
- *Parents/Vancouver District Parent Advisory Council (DPAC)*
- *Employee groups*
- *VSB Diversity Committee*
- *Black community groups such as but not limited to Black Lives Matter Vancouver and BC Community Alliance*
- *Urban Indigenous groups*
- *Vancouver Police Department (VPD)/Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP)*

That students/VDSC are included in developing the plan to seek input from students.

That specific measures and procedures will be in place to ensure that all participants providing input have a safe setting in which to share their experiences and opinions.

2. *With respect to the following matters those would be experts in their fields:*

That the review include investigating the creation and funding of a restorative justice model/process for acts of racism.

That the review make recommendations on (1) the VPD/RCMP role, and (2) the continuation/alteration/elimination of the SLO positions, for the board to consider.

3. *And that there be a report back to the February 2021 Policy and Governance committee meeting.*

Thank you in advance,
Allan

LIAISON TRUSTEE REPORT

Name of Committee/Organization: Persons with Disabilities Advisory Committee

Liaison Trustee: Janet Fraser

Date of Meeting: December 10, 2020 and January 14, 2021

Topics Discussed Most Relevant to the VSB:

Updates from the Broadway Plan staff group on the Broadway Subway Project and the Broadway Plan Street Design.

Presentation about the Climate Emergency Action Plan – the implementation of a Citywide Parking Permit project for on street and off street parking.

There was an update on the Jeanette Anderson Street Renaming Proposal.

Committee / Organization Actions:

At the Dec 10 meeting motions were passed in support of prioritizing, starting on opening day, the inclusion of universally accessible gender-neutral washrooms and paired sets of elevators within all six stations of the Millennium Broadway Extension.

At the Jan 14 meeting a motion was passed in support of the Seniors Advisory Committee motion to Council about Elevator Maintenance in Vancouver Buildings.

LIAISON TRUSTEE REPORT

Name of Committee/Organization: Vancouver City Planning Commission

Liaison Trustee: Janet Fraser

Date of Meeting: January 13, 2021

Topics Discussed Most Relevant to the VSB:

Presentation from the Downtown Waterfront Working Group on 555 Cordova, next to the east side of Waterfront Station.

Committee / Organization Actions:

The Commissioners passed a motion to allocate \$3,000 of the VCPC funds to do an internal equity/social justice audit to become a culturally safer and more inclusive environment for BIPOC (Black, Indigenous, and People of Colour) communities, and other communities that have been traditionally underrepresented and excluded.

The audit will conduct research to identify barriers for participation of BIPOC communities and to create solutions to eliminate those barriers. This budget should go towards hiring consultants with an expertise in this type of analysis and/or honorariums for current/past commissioners to undergo an interview process.

LIAISON TRUSTEE REPORT

Name of Committee/Organization: BCSTA Metro Branch meeting

Liaison Trustee: Janet Fraser

Date of Meeting: January 20, 2021

Topics Discussed Most Relevant to the VSB:

The February meeting will include the AGM and nominations are welcome for executive positions. Board of Directors update – establishing relationship with Minister Whiteside, MoU being developed with the First Nations Education Steering Committee (FNESC), concern about COVID funds for next year.

Indigenous Education Committee – developing a guide for the BC Tripartite Education Agreement (BCTEA).

Professional Learning Committee – preparing for AGM, changed practices with COVID.

ELL Consortium – preparing updated advocacy for federal programs, report being prepared on field testing of ELL standards.

BCPSEA – transition for a new CEO, AGM coming up.

LIAISON TRUSTEE REPORT

Name of Committee/Organization: Vancouver Library Board

Liaison Trustee: Barb Parrott

Date of Meeting: 2020 December 9

Topics Discussed Most Relevant to the VSB:

Good news: the City of Vancouver which provides the money for the VPL, gave the Library \$270,000 more than it requested! This money will be spent on Indigenous issues and a “fine forgiveness” activity.

Some of the most read books were:

Me and White Supremacy: Combat Racism, Changes the World, and Become a Good Ancestor by Layla F Saad. This book was requested 3000 times over 9 weeks.

White Fragility: Why It’s so Hard for White People to Talk About Racism by Robin DiAngelo

So You Want to Talk About Race by Ijeoma Oluo

Braiding Sweetgrass: Indigenous Wisdom, Scientific Knowledge and the Teaching of Plants by Wall Kimmerer

Children’s Books

Harry Potter by JK Rowling

Diary of a Wimpy Kid by Jeff Kinney

Committee / Organization Actions:

LIAISON TRUSTEE REPORT

Name of Committee/Organization: Vancouver Food Policy Committee

Liaison Trustee: Estrellita Gonzalez

Date of Meeting: January 7, 2021

Topics Discussed Most Relevant to the VSB:

None related to VSB.

Committee / Organization Actions:

Meeting highlights:

- The VFPC discussed sending in a letter in support of a collective, the DTES Indigenized Food Sovereignty Co-op, who are working together to develop a food hub in the DTES to “build a shared food storage and processing facility to ensure a secure stream of healthy, culturally-appropriate food for a coalition of DTES frontline agencies”.
- The VFPC have a DRAFT report of activities that will go back to council and will inform their priorities for the rest of their session, as well as help inform the next session.
- The Committee had a presentation called “Vancouver Social Infrastructure. This refers to facilities and services that are usually run by nonprofits that help individuals, families, and community groups meet their social needs, and enhance community well-being. Examples include: neighbourhood houses, family places, youth centres, seniors’ centres, informal gathering spaces, indigenous healing and wellness centres, and diverse social and community serving spaces for drop-ins, resources or referrals. As part the strategy’s work to date, the City have engaged with various informal stakeholders, including social nonprofits, places of worship, and City Advisory Committees.
- Next Meeting: March 4, 2021

LIAISON TRUSTEE REPORT

Name of Committee/Organization: Vancouver Heritage Commission

Liaison Trustee: Estrellita Gonzalez

Date of Meeting: January 11, 2021

Topics Discussed Most Relevant to the VSB:

- The First United Development as noted below will contain no family-oriented housing, it will only have housing for singles and couples.
- The letter submitted to the Heritage Commission from VSB regarding Strathcona Elementary will be discussed at the upcoming February 1, 2021 meeting.

Committee / Organization Actions:

Highlights of the January 11, 2021 meeting included:

- Application review for 320 E Hastings – First United Church, where there is a planned development and partnership with the Lu'ma Native Housing Society. The plan is to replace its 1965 building with a 4 new 11-storey structure combining secular and spiritual community uses with 105 affordable housing units.

January 25, 2021

ITEM 8.1

TO: Board of Education

FROM: J. David Green, Secretary Treasurer

RE: Selection of Auditor

Reference to Strategic Plan:

Goal 4: Provide effective leadership, governance and stewardship

Objectives: Advocate for public education

Effectively utilize school district resources and facilities

Support effective communication, engagement and community partnerships

INTRODUCTION:

This report contains a recommendation.

BACKGROUND:

The District has been audited by the Auditor General of British Columbia since the 2015/2016 fiscal year with the 2019/2020 fiscal year being the last year of that engagement. As a result, the District will have to engage a new auditor of the 2020-2021 fiscal year.

At the Public Board meeting held on September 28, 2020 the Board of Education passed the following motion:

That the Board of Education conduct a Request for Proposals process for a new auditor to begin conducting the audit of the District for the 2020-2021 fiscal year.

ANALYSIS:

District staff issued the RFP in October and received responses from three proponents. After an extensive evaluation process, District staff, including the Secretary-Treasurer and the Assistant Secretary-Treasurer, is recommending that KPMG LLP be appointed the District's auditor.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board of Education appoints KPMG LLP as the District's auditor.

January 25, 2021

ITEM 9.1

TO: Board of Education

FROM: Allan Wong, Trustee

RE: **Notice of Motion – Vaccine Letter to the National Advisory Committee on Immunization and to the Public Health Agency of Canada**

Reference to Strategic Plan:

Goal 2: Build capacity in our community through strengthening collective leadership.

Objective: Encourage and appreciate the contributions made by our students, families, employee groups and community partners

Goal 4: Provide effective leadership, governance and stewardship.

Objectives: Effectively utilize school district resources and facilities.

Support effective communication, engagement and community partnerships.

Advocate for public education.

PROPOSED MOTION:

That the Vancouver Board of Education write to the Honorable Adrian Dix, Minister of Health and Dr. Bonnie Henry, Provincial Health Officer to prioritize school based teachers, administrators and support staff to be included immediately after phase 2 Vaccination Roll Out Plan for BC to be offered vaccinations against COVID-19.

Phase 1 – December 2020 to February 2021

- Residents, staff and essential visitors to long-term care and assisted living
- Individuals assessed for and awaiting long term care
- Hospital health care workers who may provide care for COVID-19 patients
- Remote and isolated Indigenous communities

Phase 2 – February to March

- Seniors 80+
- Remote indigenous communities not done in phase 1
- Indigenous seniors aged 65+, Elders, and additional communities not yet immunized
- Hospital staff, community GPs and medical specialists not yet immunized
- Vulnerable populations in select congregated settings
- Staff in community home support and nursing for seniors

Phase 3 – April to June

- People aged 79 to 60 in five-year increments
- People aged 69 to 16 who are clinically extremely vulnerable

Phase 4 – July to September

- People aged 59 to 18 in five-year increments

RATIONALE:

WHEREAS School sites may require improved ventilation

WHEREAS School based teachers, administrators and support staff support our education system in the front lines.

WHEREAS Teachers, administrators and school staff play an essential service in our society.

WHEREAS The bubble of these school staff includes potentially hundreds of people.

WHEREAS It is challenging to physically social distance in school classrooms.

WHEREAS There is no prioritization for any employee groups beyond health care and senior care workers.

January 25, 2021

ITEM 9.2.1

TO: Board of Education

FROM: Barb Parrott, Trustee

RE: Notice of Motion – Postponement of the FSA

Reference to Strategic Plan:

Goal: Create a culture of care and shared social responsibility

Objective: Encourage and enhance practices that support cultural, emotional, physical, and mental well-being

Goal: Provide effective leadership, governance, and stewardship

Objective: Effectively utilize school district resources and facilities

PROPOSED MOTION:

That the Vancouver Board of Education write to the Minister of Education requesting the cancellation of the Foundation Skills Assessment for the 2020-2021 school year, and

That a 3 person sub-committee of the Board be established to research the efficacy of the FSA and report to the Board in September.

RATIONALE:

- *Administrators and staff need to review a 44 page manual to prepare for the test
- * The test takes 5 hours to complete. This time does not include taking practice tests which is recommended
- *VS
- *Instruction is different during the pandemic, and may be even contrary to the provincial curriculum
- *While most students are happy at school, the differences have caused significant stress. The added stress and anxiety for students and staff to complete the FSA will only exacerbate the situation
- *Administrators who have been involved in administering the FSA, particularly where combining classes is necessary, ARE INCREDIBLY busy with COVID-19 issues
- *School safety protocols ensure the non-sharing of equipment, the on-line part of the test will be impossible to complete
- *The FSA is not valid or reliable to do what the government says it does.

ITEM 9.2.2

January 25, 2021

TO: Board of Education

FROM: Barb Parrott, Trustee

RE: Notice of Motion – COVID-19 Funding

Reference to Strategic Plan:

Goal 2: Build capacity in our community through strengthening collective leadership

Objective: Encourage and appreciate the contribution made by our students, families, employee groups and community Partners

Goal 3: Create a culture of care and social responsibility

Objective: Encourage and enhance practices that support cultural, emotional, physical, and mental well-being

PROPOSED MOTION:

That \$3 million of unspent COVID-19 Federal grant money be used to hire additional teachers to work with Option 4 students.

RATIONALE:

27 FTE teachers were hired in September to maintain contact with Option 4 students. There are 80 elementary schools in Vancouver. If you do the simple calculation, schools didn't receive enough additional support to do this work. Much of the work has been continued by classroom and resource teachers. Teachers are working in very stressful conditions. Anxiety is very high. The feeling of responsibility is strong. Now, that Option 4 has been continued it seems incumbent on us to provide meaningful instruction for these children. This can't be done by further burdening the current staff in schools.