



**MINUTES
BOARD OF EDUCATION
PUBLIC MEETING
LIVE MS Teams Event
June 28, 2022 – 7:00 p.m.**

TRUSTEES: Ravi Parmar, Board Chair Dianna Seaton
Wendy Hobbs Bob Phillips
Margot Swinburnson

STAFF: Scott Stinson, Superintendent
Harold Cull, Secretary-Treasurer
Paul Block, Associate Superintendent
Stephanie Hedley-Smith, Associate Superintendent
David Strange, Associate Superintendent
Dan Haley, Executive Director, HR
Farzaan Nusserwanji, Executive Director, IT
Steve Tonnesen, Manager IT Operations

REGRETS: Bob Beckett, Vice Chair
Allison Watson

SECRETARY: Kristina Ross

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by the Board Chair. Ravi Parmar acknowledged the traditional territories of the First Nations. The Board Chair took a moment to reflect on the incident in Saanich involving a response by our local policing community to a bank robbery, and wished the injured police officers and their families all the best.

2. AGENDA

2.1 Call for amendments and additional items

88. **MOVED** Bob Phillips/Margot Swinburnson
That the Board of Education of School District 62 (Sooke) adopt the agenda of June 28, 2022 as presented.
CARRIED

3. MINUTES

3.1 Call for amendments to minutes

89. **MOVED** Dianna Seaton/Margot Swinburnson
That the Board of Education of School District 62 (Sooke) adopt the minutes of

the May 24, 2022 meeting as presented.

CARRIED

4. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

4.1 Board Chair Update – Ravi Parmar

The Board Chair acknowledged the announcement from Premier Horgan that he plans to step down as Premier of B.C. and MLA Langford-Juan de Fuca. He thanked him for his service and leadership in the community. Further, he acknowledged the retirement of Dan Haley, Executive Director of Human Resources, and Stephanie Hedley-Smith, Associate Superintendent and thanked them for their years of service and commitment to public education. The Board Chair recognized the partner groups; STA, CUPE, SPEAC, and SPVP, and our staff, students, and families of SD 62.

5. EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATIONS

5.1 Student Trip to Peru– March 18-26, 2023 – Belmont Secondary School – Reisha Williams/Laura Fulton Reisha Williams provided an overview of the Student Trip to Peru to the Board of Education.

90. **MOVED Wendy Hobbs/Margot Swinburnson**
That the Board of Education of School District 62 (Sooke) approve the Belmont Secondary School trip to Peru from March 18-26, 2023, subject to the oversight and direction of the Superintendent's office.
CARRIED

5.2 The Na'tsa'maht Enhancement Agreement – Paul Block

Paul Block introduced Bryan Johnson who provided an overview of the draft Na'tsa'maht Enhancement Agreement for the Board of Education.

91. **MOVED Dianna Seaton/Bob Phillips**
That the Board of Education of School District 62 (Sooke) accept and endorse the Na'tsa'maht Enhancement Agreement 2022-2027 as presented and in preparation for the official signing ceremony on September 27, 2022.
CARRIED

6. CORRESPONDENCE & DELEGATIONS

6.1 Correspondence:

- a. Email from MLA Karin Kirkpatrick, dated June 8, 2022 RE: Delay of Provincial Capital Funding for Local Partners.

92. **MOVED Dianna Seaton/Wendy Hobbs**
That the Board of Education for School District No. 62 (Sooke) direct the Board chair to write a letter in response to MLA Karin Kirkpatrick and provide them with the information requested and insights on the Sooke School District's capital ask.
CARRIED

- b. Letter from The Village Initiative, dated June 3, 2022, RE: Capital Partnership.

93. **MOVED Dianna Seaton/Margot Swinburnson**
That the Board of education for School District 62 (Sooke) direct the Secretary-Treasurer to work with the Village Initiative to establish a strategic partnership as requested.
CARRIED

c. Letter from the Coalition for Healthy School Food of BC dated June 20, 2022 RE: Requesting School District 62's Endorsement of a Universal School Food Program.

94. MOVED Bob Phillips/Wendy Hobbs
That the Board of Education for School District 62 (Sooke) invite the BC Chapter of the Coalition for Healthy School Food to participate as a delegation a future public board meeting.
CARRIED

95. MOVED Margot Swinburnson/Bob Phillips
The Board of Education for School District 62 (Sooke) endorse the efforts of the Coalition for Healthy School Food to advocate for a universal, cost-shared healthy school food program by writing a letter to the appropriate ministers at the provincial and federal levels.
CARRIED

6.2 Standing Delegations (STA, CUPE, PVP, SPEAC) – 5 minutes each

Jennifer Anderson provided a summary on school year 2021/22. It included concerns around staffing shortages, the high rate of retirement/early retirement among members, teacher burnout, and staff accessing short/long term sick leave.

CUPE – Amber Leonard

Amber Leonard discussed the District involvement in the Victoria Pride Festival 2022, and thanked those who supported our 2SLGBTQIA+ community at SD 62. She acknowledged the hard work of CUPE members this last year, and confirmed her support of a universal school food program. Further, she provided an update to the upcoming bargaining sessions, and spoke regarding CUPE's willingness to collaborate with District partners on any issue.

PVP – Jane Sinclair

Jane Sinclair provided an update to the Board of Education on the year-end school events around the District. In addition, she noted that Jim Lamond and Tess Vally have completed their term as Co-Presidents of the SPVP and that Kendra Laidlaw and Mark Johnson were now in those roles. She thanked the leadership team for their commitment and support during another difficult year.

SPEAC – Melissa Da Silva

No delegation.

Canadian Parents for French

No delegation.

7. FINANCE, FACILITIES AND SERVICES

7.1 Report on the Resources Committee – Meeting held on June 14, 2022

Trustee Parmar provided the Board of Education with an overview of the Resources Committee Meeting.

96. MOVED Ravi Parmar/Dianna Seaton
That the Board of Education of School District 62 (Sooke) approve the 23/24 Major Capital Plan submission as presented to the Resources Committee on June 14, 2022.
CARRIED

97. MOVED Ravi Parmar/Bob Phillips
That the Board of Education of School District 62 (Sooke) approve the 23/24 Building Envelope

Program submission as presented to the Resources Committee on June 14, 2022.

CARRIED

98. **MOVED Ravi Parmar/Bob Phillips**
That the Board of Education of School District 62 (Sooke) develop a Business Continuity Plan (BCP) Policy and Regulation in the fall of 2022 to ensure that the BCP is maintained and updated on an annual basis. Furthermore, that it be reviewed every 3 years.

CARRIED

99. **MOVED Ravi Parmar/Bob Phillips**
That the Board of Education of School District 62 (Sooke) approve the design guiding principles, reflective of the voices of our students, partners, Indigenous nations, and community for capital projects, as presented to the Resources Committee on June 14, 2022. Furthermore, that it be reviewed every 3 years.

CARRIED

100. **MOVED Ravi Parmar/Bob Phillips**
That the Board of Education of School District 62 (Sooke) receive the report from the Resources Committee Meeting of June 14, 2022.

CARRIED

7.2 Equine Academy Fees – David Strange

David Strange provided an overview of the increase in fees for the Equine Academy Program.

101. **MOVED Margot Swinburnson/Bob Phillips**
That the Board of Education approve an amendment to the 2022/23 Equine Academy fees from \$1,459 to \$1,890. Additionally, that the Board of Education instruct the District Principal of Academies to begin working with families in regards to this change in fee, and to refund any fees currently paid to families who choose to opt out of the 2022/23 program.

CARRIED

8. **EDUCATION PROGRAM**

8.1 Report on the Education-Policy Committee – Meeting held on June 7, 2022

Trustee Swinburnson provided the Board of Education with an overview of the Education-Policy Committee Meeting.

102. **MOVED Margot Swinburnson/Dianna Seaton**
That the Board of Education for School District 62 (Sooke) give Notice of Motion to draft revised Policy F-204 “Naming of Schools”.

CARRIED

103. **MOVED Margot Swinburnson/Wendy Hobbs**
That the Board of Education for School District 62 (Sooke) give Notice of Motion to draft revised Policy and Regulations D-121 “Animals on District Property and in Classrooms”.

CARRIED

104. **MOVED Margot Swinburnson/Dianna Seaton**
That the Board of Education for School District 62 (Sooke) give Notice of Motion to draft revised

Policy and Regulations F-502 "School Catchment Areas & Student Placement".

CARRIED

105. **MOVED** Margot Swinburnson/Wendy Hobbs
That the Board of Education of School District 62 (Sooke) receive the report from the Education-Policy Committee meeting of June 7, 2022.
CARRIED

8.2 Adoption of Policy and Regulation – F-501 - Emergency Preparedness – Scott Stinson

106. **MOVED** Margot Swinburnson/Dianna Seaton
Given that the required period for Notice of Motion has been served, that the Board of Education of School District 62 (Sooke) ADOPT the draft revised Policy and Regulations F-501 "Emergency Preparedness".
CARRIED

8.3 Westshore Campus Renaming – Paul Block

Paul Block introduced Jim Lamond who provided an overview of the renaming process for the Westshore campus.

107. **MOVED** Wendy Hobbs/Dianna Seaton
That the Board of Education of School District 62 (Sooke) move to change the school name from Byte Alternative School to Westshore Secondary School, effective June 1 28, 2022. For internal purposes, the school district will identify the regional campuses as Westshore Secondary - Colwood Campus & Sooke Campus.
CARRIED

9. STUDENTS

10. FOUNDATIONS & GOVERNANCE

10.1 Board Work Plan 90 Day Outlook – Ravi Parmar

The Board Chair provided a review of the next 90-day work plan.

11. ADMINISTRATION

11.1 Superintendent's Report – Scott Stinson

Scott Stinson provided the Board of Education an update on Learning, Engagement and Growth within the District. The Superintendent acknowledged the long service members in the District and provided his congratulations to those members who are retiring. Lastly, he spoke of graduating students in the district who had received scholarships and bursaries from a variety of sources such as the Ministry of Education, businesses and private family/community members. Of note, students in the District received over \$500,000 in scholarships, which is a significant achievement for the school community.

12. PERSONNEL

13. UPCOMING EVENTS

14. FUTURE ITEMS

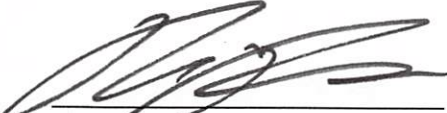
15. QUESTION PERIOD

Members of the public have the opportunity to ask questions related to agenda items. All media questions can be directed to the Manager, Strategic Communications for follow-up and response.

16. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Certified Correct:



Chairperson of the Board



Secretary-Treasurer