

MINUTES OF THE NEW WESTMINSTER BOARD OF EDUCATION
OPERATIONS POLICY & PLANNING COMMITTEE
HELD TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2016 AT 7:40 PM
SCHOOL BOARD OFFICE, 800 ONTARIO STREET

PRESENT: Ms. J. Campbell, Board Chair Mr. K. Lorenz, Secretary Treasurer
 Mr. M. Ewen, Trustee Ms. J. Grant, Associate Superintendent
 Mr. M. Gifford, Trustee Ms. B. Scott, District Administrator

 Mr. J. Janzen, Committee Chair Ms. B. Basden, Recording Secretary
 Ms. M. Lalji, Trustee
 Ms. K. Slade Kerr, Board Vice Chair

Regrets: Trustee Casey Cook

Chair Janzen recognized and acknowledged the Qayqayt First Nations, as well as all Coast Salish peoples, on whose traditional and unceded territories we live, we learn, we play and we do our work.

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Moved and Seconded:

THAT the Operations Policy and Planning Committee receive the revised Catchment Boundaries for Lord Kelvin, Herbert Spencer and École Qayqayt Elementary; AND THAT, the proposed Catchment Boundaries for Lord Kelvin, Herbert Spencer and École Qayqayt Elementary be referred to the Board of Education for final consideration at the October 25, 2016 meeting.

Carried Unanimously.

d) Montessori Catchment Boundaries: Connaught & Richard McBride

Belinda Scott, District Administration Programs and Planning, provided an updated report and recommendation on the Montessori Catchment Boundaries for Connaught Heights and Richard McBride Elementary Schools, taking into consideration input received during the public consultation period.

Moved and Seconded:

THAT the Operations Policy and Planning Committee receive the revised Catchment Boundaries for the Montessori program at Connaught Heights and Richard McBride Elementary; AND THAT, the proposed Catchment Boundaries for the Montessori program at Connaught Heights and Richard McBride Elementary be referred to the Board of Education for final consideration at the October 25, 2016 meeting.

Carried Unanimously.

e) Bus Service: Queensborough to NWSS

Secretary Treasurer Lorenz provided a written report on busing from Queensborough to New Westminister Secondary School. The recommendation from Lorenz was that, *given that public transportation options are available to students, and given the high cost of offering a district bus service, that the district focus its transportation efforts on building strong relationships with Translink.* “ The Committee discussed issues and options related to the transportation of Queensborough students to New Westminister Secondary School.

Moved and Seconded:

THAT the Operations Policy and Planning Committee recommend that the Board of Education for School District No40 (New Westminister) write a letter to the Minister of Education outlining the unique transportation needs for students travelling from Queensborough to New Westminister Secondary School and requesting additional funding to meet those needs.

Moved and Seconded:

THAT the Operations Policy and Planning Committee TABLE the recommendation that the Board of Education for School District No. 40 (New Westminister) write a letter to the Minister of Education outlining the unique transportation needs for students travelling from Queensborough to New Westminister Secondary School and requesting additional funding to meet those needs, until the November 8, 2016 meeting of the Operations Policy and Planning Committee.

