

**MINUTES OF THE NEW WESTMINSTER BOARD OF EDUCATION
OPERATIONS POLICY & PLANNING COMMITTEE**

**Tuesday, November 19, 2019, 7:00 PM
School Board Office
811 Ontario Street, New Westminster**

PRESENT Anita Ansari, Vice Chair Karim Hachlaf, Superintendent

- Supporting teachers to grow and thrive by offering professional development and collaborative opportunities in arts. Continue to work with parents and families to set goals and leverage opportunities.
- Legacy and Inquiry projects that are in the works within the District include StrongStart.
- Liaise with Aboriginal Education Coordinator Bertha Lansdowne to incorporate Indigenous culture in the arts.
- Next steps include completing the listing of arts supplies and prioritizing the requests.

b. Climate Action Recommendations

Trustee Dhaliwal was not able to attend the meeting. Trustee Ansari read aloud the proposed recommendations. It was asked Climate Action information be published on the District's website.

A delegation attended the meeting. Members asked the Board why the original proposed motions brought forward at the October 15, 2019 Operations Committee meeting had been amended.

Superintendent Hachlaf indicated that the Climate Emergency motion was passed only recently, more work is required to establish specific targets and timelines. The wording in the proposed motions as presented align with the District's new Strategic Plan.

Trustee Gifford thanked Trustee Dhaliwal for her work in preparing the Background and motions for consideration. He also thanked the District for their initial work in reviewing how to advance this initiative.

Moved and Seconded

THAT the Operations Policy and Planning Committee recommend to the Board of Education of School District No. 40 (New Westminster) to include a goal within its strategic plan to make climate action and environmental sustainability a priority, and to direct staff to incorporate environmental strategies when preparing and executing capital planning submissions (i.e. Annual Facilities Grant and 5-Year Capital Plan) to the Board of Education and Ministry of Education. Further, specific consideration of the following shall be made:

- ***Measurable targets and specific timelines and goals to reduce SD40's greenhouse gas emissions;***
- ***Consideration to all SD40 schools and sites, transportation and purchasing and procurement functionalities.***
- ***Costs associated to the plans put in place.***
- ***Opportunities for stakeholder engagement and input.***

and Ministry of Education. Further, specific consideration of the following shall be made:

- **Measurable targets and specific timelines and goals to reduce SD40's greenhouse gas emissions, consistent with the IPCC 1.5.**
- **Consideration to all SD40 schools and sites, transportation and purchasing and procurement functionalities.**
- **Costs associated to the plans put in place.**
- **Opportunities for stakeholder engagement and input.**
- **District Staff to provide an update on the development on the Climate Action Plan taken by the District in September 2020.**

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION AMENDED #2

Moved and Seconded

THAT the Operations Policy and Planning Committee recommend to the Board of Education of School District No. 40 (New Westminster) to include a goal within its strategic plan a long-term Climate Action Plan to make climate action and environmental sustainability a priority, and to direct staff to incorporate environmental strategies when preparing and executing capital planning submissions (i.e. Annual Facilities Grant and 5-Year Capital Plan) to the Board of Education and Ministry of Education. Further, specific consideration of the following shall be made:

- **Measurable targets and specific timelines and goals to reduce SD40's greenhouse gas emissions, consistent with the IPCC 1.5.**
- **Consideration to all SD40 schools and sites, transportation and purchasing and procurement functionalities.**
- **Costs associated to the plans put in place.**
- **Opportunities for stakeholder engagement and input.**
- **District Staff to provide an update on the development on the Climate Action Plan taken by the District in September 2020.**

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved and Seconded

THAT the Operations Policy and Planning Committee recommend to the Board of Education of School District No. 40 (New Westminster) to include a goal within its strategic plan to provide leadership and support to increase learning opportunities for both students and staff towards climate literacy and environmental sustainability.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. Comment & Question Period from Visitors

Nil.

5. Reports from Senior Management

a. Capital Projects Update

i. New Westminster Secondary School (D. Crowe / G. Lachmuth)

Director of Capital Projects Crowe and Grant Lachmuth, Black Wolf Consulting, provided November highlights:

- NWSS staff and administration continue to be consulted on classroom requirements, project updates and transition plan to new school.
- Weekly stakeholder consultation meetings regarding delivery of civil works between Massey Theatre and Moody Park Arena is underway. Road works are going well and will be completed in two weeks.
- Stakeholder communications continue to take place.
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- i. Operations Committee Chair Connelly introduced the following Funding Model Review motion:

Moved and Seconded

THAT the Operations Policy and Planning Committee recommend to the Board of Education of School District No.40 (New Westminster) to advocate to the Ministry of Education to ensure Boards of Education are provided with the opportunity to model and/or pilot the new funding formula recommendations prior to implementation in order to provide feedback on the positive and negative implications of the proposed recommendations, the impact on the ability of our districts to strengthen success for all students and the ability to ensure aelNsts ilityolt odel atim.2 ()11.3 (w)4.ed-6.6 (annP)12.9 (ol)-6ab (a)10.5 (t)-6 (egat) e ae413.7 (INn)1 -7 39ual(INst)4.70.3 (d)11O (d)10 pernd1.3 (i)-6.7 (m)-4.3 Pd ensur PdW(d)