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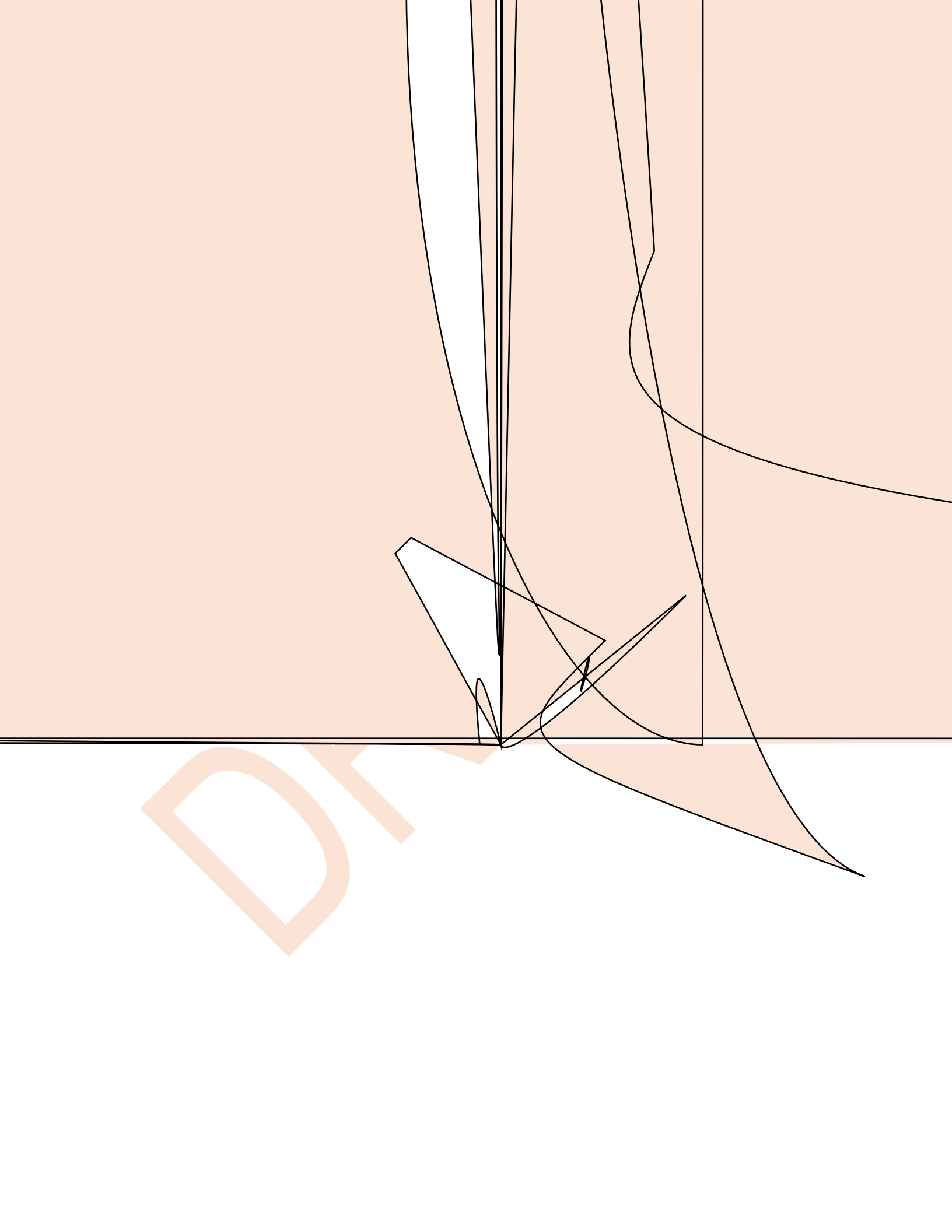
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BOARD OF EDUCATION

January 25, 2023

MLA: Hon. Aman Singh
Richmond-Queensborough

Parliamentary Clerk: Ms. A. G. ...

Dear Mr. Singh,

On behalf of the Board, thank you for taking the time to talk with me about important issues facing Queensborough students and families. In particular, transportation for Queensborough students to attend New Westminister Secondary School (NWSS) remains a top priority and I appreciate your understanding and commitment to improving the reliability and timeliness of student commutes to school.

As you know, Queensborough is geographically isolated from the rest of New Westminister with many Queensborough students relying on public transit to commute to and from NWSS. Queensborough continues to experience tremendous growth with approximately 400 Queensborough resident students attending NWSS with additional growth expected. It is important that Queensborough students have safe, accessible, and reliable transportation options.

We greatly appreciate the advocacy brought surrounding the "school tripper" supplementary bus on route 128 departing the 22nd St. station at 8:10AM that was added before the start of the 2022-23 school year. We understand in our staff discussions with Coast Mountain that a current service analysis is underway and we will be receiving results shortly.



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Thanks
James Plett

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> -----Original Message-----
> From: B Palmer
> Sent: December 9, 2022 3:52 PM
> To: Board of Education <boardofeducation@sd40.bc.ca>
> Subject: ::External Email: School Liaison Officer
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> Good afternoon,
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> I am writing to express my support for reinstating the police liaison officer at New Westminster Secondary.
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> I am sure you are aware of the numerous criminal and pseudo criminal incidents at the high school. All of which have escalated since the removal of the police resource at the school.
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> My son is in grade 10 and I will be most likely pulling him out of the public system next year because he does not feel safe at the school.
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> Since the removal of the SLO program there have been fights, gangs of kids from Cariboo Hill harassing and threatening NW kids on the school grounds. There is vaping in the ~~at~~ bathrooms, BB guns and pepper spray on school grounds. There has been arson committed at the school and the list goes on.
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> When will the school board revisit this issue?
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> Sincerely,
> Bonnie Palmer
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From: Sarina Prasad

Date: January 9, 2023, at 10:21:02 AM PST

To: Gurveen Dhaliwal <gurdhaliwal@sd40.bc.ca>, Dee Beattie <dbeattie@sd40.bc.ca>, Danielle Connelly <dconnelly@sd40.bc.ca>, Cheryl Sluis <csluis@sd40.bc.ca>, Marc Andres <mandres@sd40.bc.ca>, Elliott Slinn <eslinn@sd40.bc.ca>

Subject: Advocating for In-Person Meetings

Hello there,

As a parent of 3 children and I would like to express my support in advocating for the continuation of school board and committee meetings in a hybrid or virtual format that allows for two-way engagement from the public. Moving back to an in-person-only format will make it very difficult for many parents and caregivers to attend and will ultimately reduce parent and caregiver engagement in the decision-making process.

The virtual format is a smart and valuable tool to have available to include more parent engagement. If there are any objections to this, I would love to hear the reasons against it.

I personally feel like this system works better especially for working parents or those without caregivers. Every parent's voice is important towards valuable input and engagement towards better decision making.

Thank you for your time.

Sarina Prasad

From: Grace Steyn
Subject: Board Meetings
Date: January 12, 2023, at 6:48:48 AM PST
To: "gdhaliwal@sd40.bc.ca" <gdhaliwal@sd40.bc.ca>

From: J.J. Fellows
Sent: January 11, 2023 3:23 PM
To: Board of Education boardofeducation@sd40.bc.ca
Subject: External Email: School Board Meetings

Hello SD40 School Board,

I am writing to express my support for the New West School Board meetings to continue in an online format that allows for parent participation ~~and~~ engagement. This is vitally important for equity and inclusion. Parents cannot always find or afford caregivers for our children in order to attend these meetings in person, and in person attendance is unsafe for many vulnerable members of our community during this time of heightened circulation of respiratory viruses. In the spirit of equity, diversity and inclusion, I request that these meetings continue online.

Best,

Jill

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Jennifer Fellows

From: SueKenny
Sent: January 11, 2023 11:00 AM

To: Board of Education boardofeducation@sd40.bc.sa

Subject: External Email: Continuation of Hybrid meetings.

Chair Dhaliwal and Board of Education Trustees,

I would like to first express my gratitude for the opportunity to attend your meetings and to participate and learn about the things New West school

With that said I would ask that you continue to offer access to your meetings that allows for participation on both sides. One way communication for children,

abilities that would make attending physically very difficult, parents "weather" but would still like to be able to "attend", parents and parents and caregivers that work shifts or longer hours and would not their work, etc. The list is expansive, it goes beyond just a question of things is a positive thing on so many levels. Keeping hybrid communication and inclusiveness in mind, limiting the meetings to in person that parent participation is not really invited or welcome.

Thank you for your input on this topic.

From: Michele Bridge

Sent: January 11, 2023 7:56 PM

To: Board of Education <boardofeducation@sd40.bc.sa>

Subject: External Email: Disagreement with motion to hold meetings in-person only

I was recently notified that the school board is putting forward a motion to move all board meetings and committees to be in person only. I want to express my deep concern with this motion and my strong disagreement with

From: Ashlee Reid
Sent: January 11, 2023 8:04 PM
To: Board of Education <boardofeducation@sd40.bc.ca>
Subject: External Email: Motion to only in person meetings

To whom it may concern:

My name is Ashlee Reid, and I am a Mom to a 4th grade girl at Qayqayt Elementary and a member at large on the school PAC.

Tonight at our PAC meeting, Laura Kwong (DPAC president) mentioned that there was a motion in the December meeting to only do future meetings in person. The motion has been tabled to the January 31st meeting.

I am appalled that this motion is even being brought on the table. After everything we have learned from the past 3 years dealing with COVID, it has shown people that not everything has to be done in person. Now, with having that option taken away and can't physically be there. Who takes that option? to be part of a board of education meeting, but can't because they are all now in person, how is that fair?

There are so many reasons why this isn't right and as a member of this community for over 20 years and a Mom, I urge you to reconsider and take this option off the table and provide that virtual attendance is an option. It disappoints me that we have to even have this discussion and I would hope the board of education would be more in tune with the 21st century and what the best families' needs are.

Thank you,
Ashlee Reid

From: Michelle Kennedy <kennedymichelle@gmail.com>
Sent: January 12, 2023 11:00 AM
To: Board of Education <boardofeducation@sd40.bc.sa>
Subject: External Email: Motion to eliminate virtual meeting options

Good morning to the elected officials of the Board of Education

I'm writing this email regarding the motion that was put forward at the board of education meeting in

December. It was D-35 TJ -0.004 Tc 0.006 Tw 0 -2.435 TD [(7)-7.9 (5)3 (%)-6.3 (o)-9.6 (f)7.5 (e)4.9 (v)-8.5 (e)

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From: Cyrus Sy
Sent: January 16, 2023 5:30 PM

To: Cyrus Sy <cyrus.sy@gmail.com>; Board of Education <boardofeducation@sd40.bc.ca>
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From: James Plett
Sent: January 15, 2023 11:06 AM
To: Board of Education boardofeducation@sd40.bc.ca
Subject: External Email: Hybrid meetings

Hello,

I would like to offer an opinion on the format that hybrid meetings should take, should the board determine that is the way to go forward.

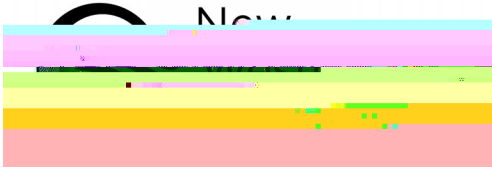
During the meeting, there was some discussion about moving to a format where, for instance, community members could call in, or use some sort of chat feature, to engage during any question answer periods open to the public and using this in conjunction with the livestream.

I would offer that those proposed ideas are insufficient for engaging properly with the public. I think

New Westminster Schools

Budget Process: 2023-24

Date	Location	Time	Event	Attendees	Goal
31 Jan 23	Virtual	7:00PM	Regular Open Board Meeting	Board	Approval of the 2023/24 budget process
21 Feb 23	Virtual	7:00PM	Regular Open Board Meeting	Board	Approval of the Amended Budget for 2022/23
27 Mar 23	Shadbolt Centre for the Arts	7:30AM - 2:00PM	3 Year Enrolment Projections submitted to MECC February 15 February/March 2023 DLT/EMT Learning Priorities Set Student Symposium	Trustees/Staff/Students	Collect student feedback
04 Apr 23	SBO	2:00PM	Ministry Funding Announcement March 15 Board in Service BUDGET	Trustees	
April 11 21, Virtual		7:00	Policy & Planning Committee	Committee Members	Estimated 2023/24 base budget and 3 year financial plan



School District No. 40

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September

Education

- x No meeting

Operations

- x No meeting

Regular Board Meeting Agenda Items

- x Five-year capital plan – Minor capital projects
- x Receive audit report and management letter and approve financial statements
- x Approve appointment or reappointment of auditor (if required – rotational every 3 years)
- x Receive Executive Compensation Disclosure Statement

Events

- x Inclusive Education Review Update

Operations

- x Standing operations reports (Capital, Facilities, Finance, TIS, HR)
- x Review enrolment and staffing report

Regular Board Meeting Agenda Items

(Last meeting day: October 15; Last meeting of Board elected in 2018)

- x Review Strategic Directions
- x Chairs Annual Report (moved to October as last Board meeting of 2018 board)

Events

- x National Custodian Appreciation Day – October 2, 2022
- x Recognize World Teachers' Day – October 5, 2022
- x World Mental Health Day – October 10, 2022
- x Indigenous focused professional development
- x Canada School Library Day – October 24, 2022

November

Education

- x District Literacy Update
- x Review and approve Board authorized courses

Operations

- x Standing operations reports (Capital, Facilities, Finance, HR)

Regular Board Meeting Agenda

- x Oath of Office
- x Elect Chair/Vice-Chair
- x Receive Statement of Financial Information (SOFI) Report

Events

- x New Trustee Orientation – November 3, 2022
- x Remembrance Day Ceremonies – November 11, 2022
- x Represent Board at BCPSEA Symposium – November 11, 2022

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March

Education

- x No meeting

Operations

- x No meeting

Regular Board Meeting Agenda Items

- x Approve District Calendar
- x **Memorialization Advisory Committee Report**

Events

- x International Women's Day – March 8, 2023
- x World Autism Day – April 2, 2023

April

Education

- x Review Career Programs Report
- x Review Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity (SOGI) report
- x Review Health and Wellbeing report
- x Review school fees

Operations

- x Standing operations reports (Capital, Facilities, Finance, HR)
- x 2023-24 Base budget presentation
- x Approve Calendar for Board and Committee meetings

Regular Board Meeting Agenda Items

- x 2022 – 2023 Budget feedback update

Events

- x Budget in-service – April 4, 2023
- x Attend and participate in BCSTA Provincial Council & AGM – April 27 – April 30, 2023
- x

May

Education

- x Review Sanctuary Schools Report
- x Review International Program Report
- x Distributed Learning & Continuing Education Report
- x Inclusive Education Review Update

Operations

- x Superintendent Recommendations (23-24 school year budget)

Regular Board Meeting Agenda Items

- x Superintendent/CEO evaluation and Board evaluation
- x Approve budget for upcoming fiscal year
- x Approve Terms of Engagement with auditor and audit plan
- x Capital Plan response by-law approval

Events

- x Asian Heritage Month - May
- x Child Care Month in BC – May
- x International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia and Biphobia – May 17, 2023

June

Education

- x School Nutrition update
- x Childcare update
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School District Information

Subject: Transit for Teens Advocacy and Endorsement

Background:

Lack of affordable public transportation for youth aged 13-18 in British Columbia could help barrier and work towards the desirable goal of reducing poverty and access to public education, as well as helping to create lifelong transit riders helps towards reducing the environmental impact of other less efficient modes of transportation. In September of 2021, TransLink launched the Get on Board program for children aged 12 and under to ride all BC Transit and TransLink transit services free. This was a big step in the right direction.

School District No. 4 (New Westminster)

Supplement to: REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

Date: January 31, 2023

Submitted by: Karim Hachlaf, Superintendent

Item:	Requiring Action	Yes	No
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- Supporting the successful return to face-to-face meetings
- Provide a barrier-free method to watch live meetings remotely
- Provide an accessible method for remote participants to provide comment and questions within our committee and Board meetings.

As part of my review, further research was conducted by examining other Metro school districts with a focus on their respective Board Operations policies (Appendix A) and meeting structure.

In order to meet the criteria above, district staff have investigated the additional technical requirements to successfully meet a hybrid meeting option.

Video

Irrespective of the online platform used, there will need to be an additional investment to successfully meet the hybrid meeting criteria including:

- Video equipment to livestream (capable to connect to a variety of online platforms)
- Video infrastructure to connect to our existing microphone and speaker system

An initial estimate to implement the required video equipment and infrastructure will come at a cost of up to \$20,000. The video equipment will allow for video footage of our board table which will be livestreamed to our public who wish to view meetings remotely, live or at a later date. Additionally, any visual content (e.g. during staff presentations) will be displayed on screen.

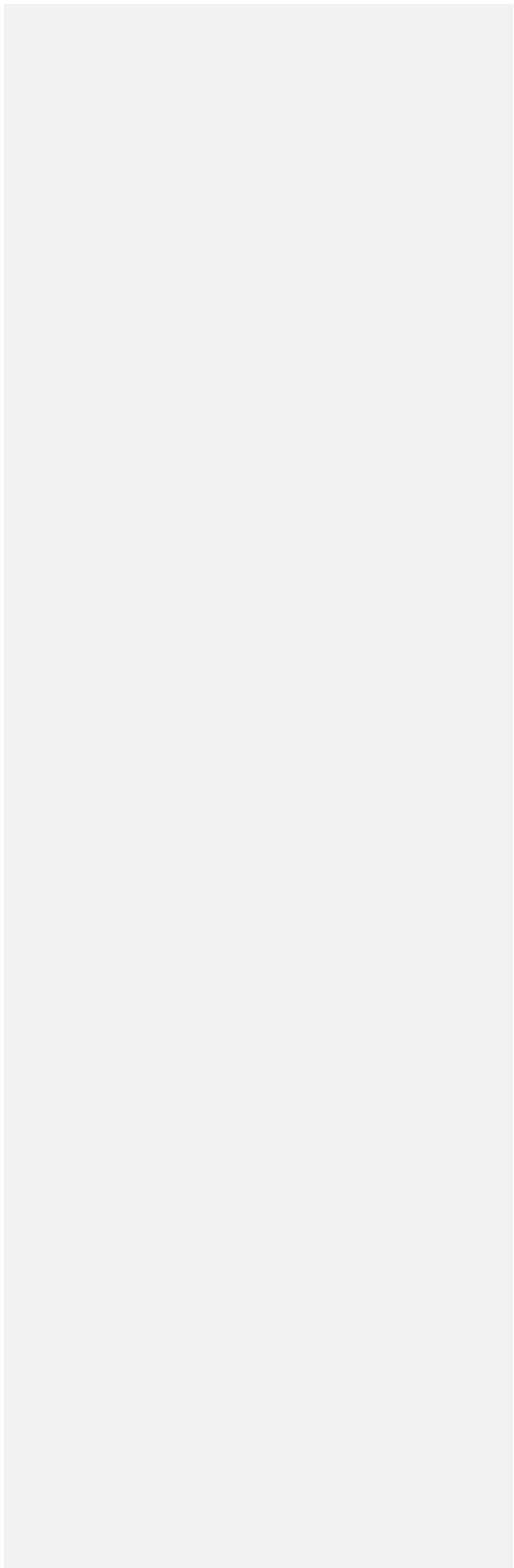
Audio

As mentioned above, the goal is to use our existing microphone and speaker system to ensure high quality sound and reduce background noise for both in-person and remote participants. Beyond the audio requirements for the meeting, the goal is to also accommodate remote public participation during our “comment and question” period. You will see in Appendix A, the Vancouver School Board has provided an online link for participants to submit questions in-advance of their question period.

Alternatively, staff have explored on perio

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2. Inaugural Meeting and Subsequent Annual Meeting

2.1 Inaugural Meeting

2.1.1 ~~After the general local election of school trustees, the Secretary-Treasurer must convene a~~ An inaugural meeting of the Board of Education ~~as soon as possible and, in any event, within 30 days from the date that the newly elected Board begins its term of office. The Oath of Office and inaugural meeting shall be scheduled on the same date, convened by the Secretary-Treasurer or designate on the first Tuesday of November the month following Trustee elections, or as soon thereafter as it is convenient. The order of business shall include:~~

2.1.1.1 Statement of the Returning Officer;

2.1.1.2 To make a prescribed oath of office, by oath or solemn affirmation;

2.1.1.2.1 Each trustee will take the oath of office immediately following the call to order of the inaugural meeting after a general election. Special provisions will be made for a trustee taking office following a by-election.

2.1.1.3 Election of Chair and Vice Chair;

2.1.1.4 Election of BCSTA Provincial Council delegate and alternate delegate;

2.1.1.5 Election of BCPSEA representative and alternate.

(Elections shall be by ballot vote. Should an election vote end in a tie, up to two further votes shall be taken to break the tie. After the third vote, if a tie continues, the Board shall recess and reconvene at a time of its choosing in order to conduct a fourth vote.

2.2 Annual Meeting

2.2.1 Each year thereafter during the term of office, the Board of Education shall hold elections at the regular board meeting in November to appoint the Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, BCSTA Provincial Representative and BCPSEA Representative and the respective alternates. ~~–~~The meeting shall be convened by the Secretary-Treasurer or designate. The order of business shall include:

2.2.1.1 Report of Current Chair;

2.2.1.2 Election of Chair and Vice Chair;

2.2.1.3 Election of BCSTA Provincial Council delegate and alternate delegate;

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3. Regular Meetings

- 3.1 The purpose of the regular Board meeting is for the Board to conduct its business. Meetings will be open to the public and representatives of the press.
- 3.2 Regular meetings of the Board shall typically be held on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Board Office (811 Ontario St.), except where the Chair has indicated in the notice of meeting that the meeting shall be held in some other place, including virtual meetings, or at some other time. Schedules for Board meetings are available on the District website.

3.3 All trustees, staff, and members of the public are expected and req(he [])7 TJ ET .tprr eo5()5(at)6()5(t)5(h[(has)]) TJ ET q Q BT 1 0 0 1



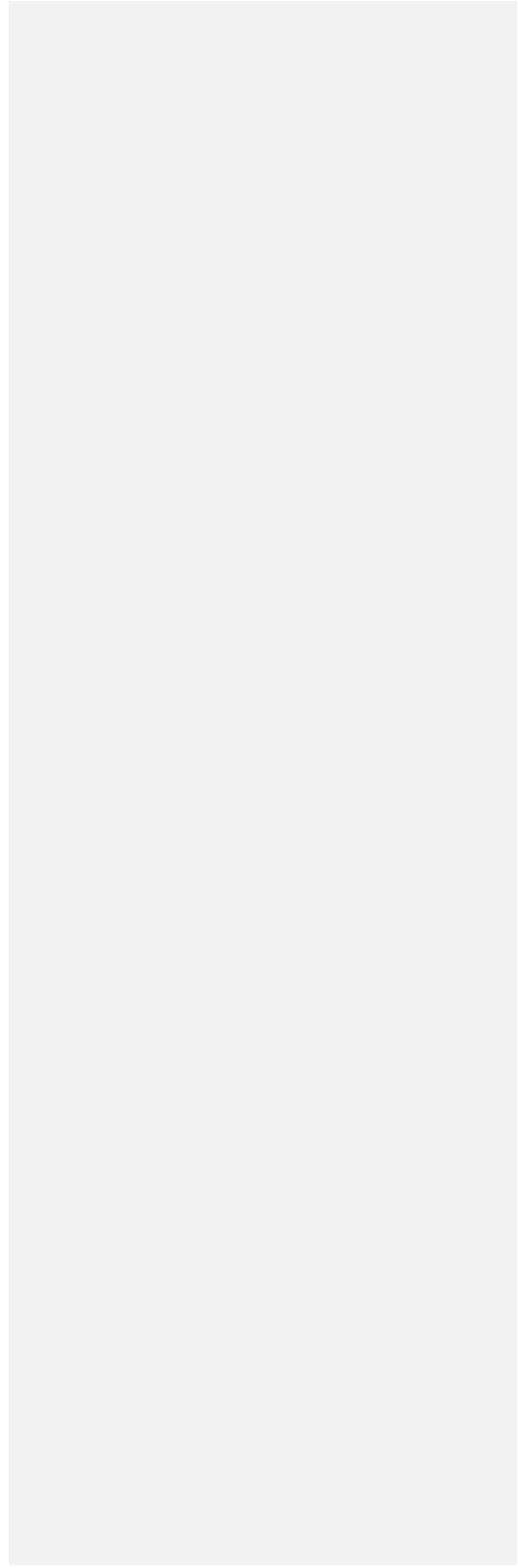
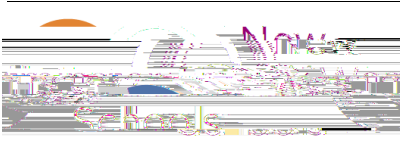
- 5.1.8 Purchase of real property including the designation of new sites, consideration of appraisal reports, consideration of accounts claimed by owners, determination of Board offers and expropriation procedures;
- 5.1.9 Lease, sale or exchange of real property prior to finalization thereof;
- 5.1.10 Matters pertaining to the safety, security of protection of Board property;
- 5.1.11

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Board, except the regularly scheduled Board meetings, unless there is unanimous agreement of trustees to waive such notice.

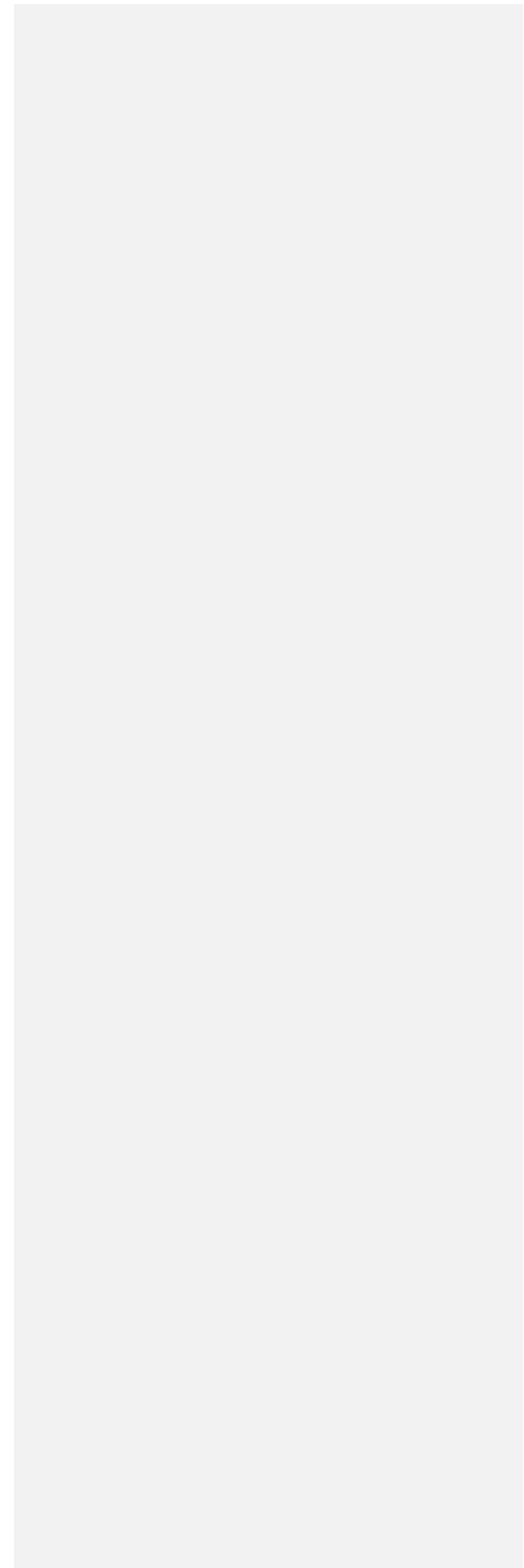
- 8.2 Prior to each meeting of the Board or Committee of the Whole, Administration, in consultation with the Chair and Vice-Chair, and relevant Committee Chair, shall





9.2 The minutes shall:

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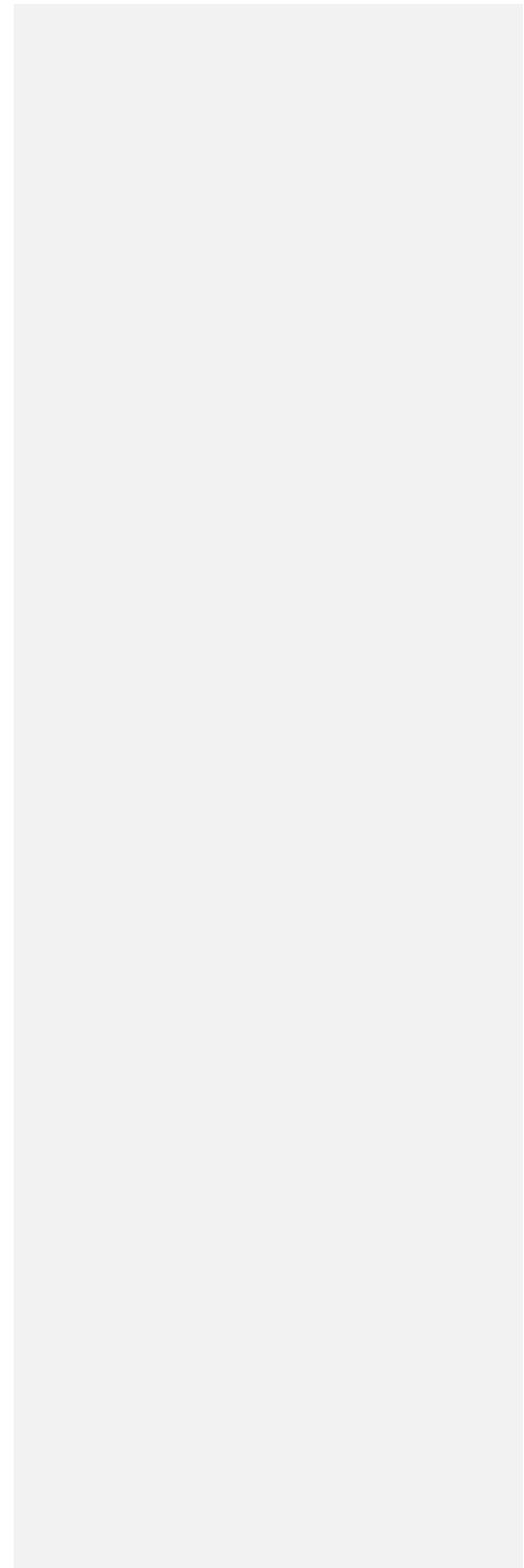




~~response may be provided at the next regular board meeting.~~

13. Correspondence to the Board

Correspondence may be sent to the Board [at boardofeducation@sd40.bc.ca](mailto:boardofeducation@sd40.bc.ca) as a whole or to individual trustees. Even when correspondence is addressed to an individual trustee the





~~11.10 Where non-routine correspondence is received that does not appear to require a formal Board response, that correspondence, together with any response issued by the Superintendent, shall be circulated to the Trustees. This correspondence will be noted on the agenda as "Correspondence for Information".~~

~~11.11 Where H D Q L Q G L Y L G X D O W U X V W H H U H F H L Y H V F R U U H V S R Q G H Q F H W K D W L Q W K H W U X is more appropriately a corporate Board matter, the correspondence will be directed to the Secretary-Treasurer who will acknowledge the correspondence, and act in accordance with 11.10 or 11.11 above.~~

12. Trustee Remuneration and Expenses

12.1 Annual Remuneration

12.1.1 Under Section 71 of the School Act, a Board may authorize the payment of remuneration to be paid to trustees by annual resolution of the Board of Education. In January, the Secretary-Treasurer will inform the Board of Education of the most recent five- \H D U U R O O L Q J D Y H U D J H R I 9 D Q F R X Y H U ¶ V & R Q V X P H U 3 U L F H , Q G H

12.1.2 Trustee stipend increases, if approved, will come in to effect on July 1 of each year.

12.2 Expenses

12.2.1 Trustees are expected to exercise discretion in incurring expenses within the limit of the annual budget appropriation and expected to follow any and all relevant administrative procedures regarding travel and expenses.

~~Conference and Travel Expenses~~

~~12.2.2 Effective execution of Board responsibilities requires that trustees represent the Board at various meetings and conferences, and that they remain informed through attendance at periodic seminars, conventions and workshops related to their responsibilities. The Board encourages such attendance, and shall include funds in the annual budget to cover expenses.~~

~~12.2.3 The Board of Education of School District No. 40 (New Westminster) supports Trustees attending conferences, conventions, seminars and courses of an education nature, within the budget limitations established by the Board.~~

~~12.2.4 The Board does not expect that such attendance should be at the personal expense of the Trustee. Actual reasonable costs for meals and costs incurred, while on Board business, may be claimed. Receipts are to be provided along with the purpose of the business or meeting.~~

~~12.2.5 Trustees may claim, while on Board business:~~

~~12.2.5.1 Long distance toll charges and cellular phone charge for School Board business telephone calls;~~

~~12.2.5.2 Other reasonable requests may be considered at the discretion of the Board.~~

~~12.2.6 Trustees will inform the Board, in advance, of their intention to attend a~~

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