

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR OPEN BOARD MEETING
OF THE NEW WESTMINSTER BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**Tuesday, February 21, 2023, 7:00 PM
Via Zoom Link**

PRESENT Gurveen Dhaliwal, Chair

5. CORRESPONDENCE

- a. Chair Dhaliwal acknowledged the receipt of Krista Macaulay’s letter re: hybrid meeting support.

6. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Education Policy & Planning Committee, February 7, 2023.
 - i. Comments from the Committee Chair, Marc Andres

Trustee Andres stated that he is always amazed by the thoughtfulness of these young leaders that serve as Student Voice representatives and greatly appreciate their contributions to the process of governance. Trustee Andres noted several highlights of the meeting.

- ii. Approval of the February 7, 2023, Education Policy and Planning Committee Minutes

**2023-017
Moved and Seconded**

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 40 (New Westminster) approve the minutes from the February 7, 2023, Education Policy, and Planning Committee meeting.

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7. REPORTS FROM SENIOR MANAGEMENT

a. Superintendent Update (K. Hachlaf)

School Learning Plans: Superintendent Hachlaf continues to participate in 'school learning plan visits,' and provided an update on the following activities.

- NWSS: Principal Murray McLeod toured Hachlaf through several classes including the Sigma program, and the Welcome and Wellness Centres. Hachlaf stated that Shrek the Musical is still taking place, and he looks forward to attending.
- Home Learner's Program, Ecole Herbert Spencer, QayQayt & Connaught Heights: Superintendent Hachlaf acknowledged and thanked all the students that led him on their school wide BDC /C2_0at5-2 (i)2.6Mon t4ul.

Vice-Principal Headley lost connection to the meeting at 7:53 pm.

ii. Safe Schools Update (M. Smith)

Vice-Principal Melanie Smith provided a Safe Schools Update:

- Code of Conduct Reviews started at our schools in September 2022.
- Risk Assessment: the District completed violence risk assessment with Kevin Cameron in the fall of 2022. There have been some updates to this program which we will now begin to implement within our own processes and protocols.
- Collaboration with community support is ongoing with child and youth mental health.
- NWSS Safety Update: currently reviewing options for surveillance cameras, and frosting of the windows. Noon hour supervisors training is ongoing and was part of their review process last fall. NWSS has also implemented a student referral form that teachers can use if they have student conduct concerns and/or mental health concerns. Next Steps: Revising our administrative procedures related to reporting and conduct

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 40 (New Westminster) approve FIRST and SECOND reading of the amended budget bylaw for fiscal year 2022/2023.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**2022-021
Moved and Seconded**

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 40 (New Westminster) approve the THIRD reading, reconsideration and FINAL adoption of the amended budget bylaw for fiscal year 2022/2023.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Official Community Plan Advocacy (Chair Dhaliwal).

In response to the DPAC delegation presentation this this evening, the work that the Board of Education is doing with City staff, and for future opportunities for policy to reflect practice,

Minutes