

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

West Vancouver School Board Office

Tuesday, October 22, 2024

Present:C. Broady, Chair; N. Brown, Vice Chair; F. Zhu, L. Block, Trustees;
C. Kennedy, Superintendent; J. Leiterman, Secretary-Treasurer; L. Hill, Deputy
Superintendent; I. Kennedy, S. Shortall, Assistant Superintendents

The Chair called the meeting to order and recognized that we are gathered on the traditional territory of the Squamish Nation and thanked our friends and colleagues in the Nation who are working with us to guide our understanding of the history of this land and its people. She said we respect and honour the Elders past, present, and future as we bring this knowledge to the students in our community.

B. BOARD HIGHLIGHT

Gleneagles / Lions Bay

Trailblazing Together: Embracing Teachers' Passions in the Classroom *Robyn Evans, Principal, Catherine Maledy, Taylor McIntyre, GE Teachers, and students*

Teaching staff from Gleneagles Ch'axay highlighted their Seaview Trail runs, discussing how exercise can enhance learning by benefiting physical, mental, and cognitive well-being, underscoring the idea that "an active mind cannot exist in an inactive body."

Sentinel Secondary – Truth and Reconciliation at Sentinel Secondary

Mike Finch, Principal; Shawn Anderson, Vice Principal

The Sentinel Student Truth and Reconciliation Council shared an overview of their initiatives. The council's mission focuses on three main goals: raising awareness, fundraising, and promoting active reconciliation. Their fundraising efforts support mental health and Indigenous culture, with plans for future initiatives to encourage community participation.

C. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

1749 **MOTION THAT** the Agenda of the Regular Meeting October 22, 2024, be adopted.

Carried

D. QUESTION & COMMENT PERIOD (10 minutes)



E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION THAT the Minutes of the Regular Meeting September 24, 2024, be approved.

Carried

F. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

G. BOARD BUSINESS

1. 1701 and Enrolment

Liz Hill, Deputy Superintendent

Deputy Superintendent Hill reported on the school district's 1701 process, which is conducted in accordance with the School and Student Data Collection Order. This information is essential for several purposes, including the allocation of funds to boards, tracking student movement between schools, monitoring enrolment trends in various programs, and providing summaries of school data.

Enrolment remains strong, marking the highest local enrolment figures ever recorded for West Vancouver Schools, as well as a greater-than-expected number of fee-paying students this year.

2. Facilities Update

Russell Street, Director of Facilities

Director of Facilities Street shared a PowerPoint presentation showcasing a range of completed projects and ongoing tasks currently underway. The presentation provided a clear overview of the facilities team's process to identify priorities and their efforts to enhance our schools and address specific site needs.

3. Framework Enhancement for Student Learning

Liz Hill, Deputy Superintendent

The Framework for Enhanced Student Learning (FESL) aims to improve student outcomes across the educational system through a focus on career, intellectual, and human development. Ongoing collaboration with various stakeholders, especially with the Indigenous Education Council and student focus groups, has strengthened connections allowing for effective sharing of data and strategies.

4. <u>Provincial Council</u> Nicole Brown, Vice Chair

Vice Chair Brown is set to attend the annual Provincial Council conference in November and will share a detailed report at the next board meeting.



H. COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Human Resources Committee Meeting – October 1, 2024

Vice Chair Brown summarized key topics from the recent HR committee meeting, highlighting the new electronic payroll system for support staff.

- Strategic Plan in Action
- Health, Safety, and Wellness Update
- HR and Payroll Project Update
- Teacher Leader Agreement
 Learning Spotlight: Make a Future
- Recruitment and Staffing Update
 Provincial Job Evaluation Project
 Update

1751 **MOTION THAT** the minutes for the Human Resources Committee meeting held on October 1, 2024, be received.

Carried

2. Finance + Facilities Committee Meeting – October 15, 2024

Chair Broady highlighted that the West Van Place for Sport project is on schedule to open in December.

- West Vancouver Place for Sport Update
- ---- Facilities Department Projects -- Summer 2024

1752 **MOTION THAT** the minutes for the Finance and Facilities Committee meeting held on October 15, 2024, be received.

Carried

I. FOR INFORMATION

J. CORRESPONDENCE

A list of board correspondence is posted online. http://westvancouverschools.ca/board-correspondence

K. TRUSTEE MEETINGS & EVENTS

BCSTA Metro Branch Meeting BCSSA Virtual Learning Series West Vancouver Arts and Culture Meeting Rockridge PAC Meeting



L. QUESTION & COMMENT PERIOD (10 Minutes)

The Board members extended heartfelt congratulations to Trustee Block on her appointment as Member of the Legislative Assembly (MLA). Each board member took a moment to express their gratitude and share well wishes as she embarks on this new chapter in her career.

M. ADJOURN

Julia Leiterman, Secretary-Treasurer