



MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

West Vancouver School Board Office

Tuesday, January 23, 2024

Present: C. Broady, Chair; N. Brown, Vice Chair; L. Block, D. Stevenson, F. Zhu, Trustees;
C. Kennedy, Superintendent; L. Hill, Assistant Superintendent; J. Leiterman, Secretary
Treasurer; S. Shortall, Director of Instruction

A. 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

Ridgeview Elementary

Walls to Worlds: Designing Environments that Cultivate Belonging

*Principal Warren Zerbe; Vice Principal Lindsay Morton; Hillary Sawyer, Grade 6 teacher
Students Diba, Kayden, and Aryo*

Principal Zerbe introduced his team, sharing their FESL goal to create a sense of belonging at Ridgeview. Their pedagogy focuses on learning beyond the school's four walls; learning that is place-based, equitable, experiential, and that encourages wellness and movement.

Rockridge Secondary

The Personal Project - More than Just a Presentation of Learning

*Principal Trevor Kolkea; Meghan LeSieur & Rhonette Millare, IB MYP Coordinators
Students Rebecca O, Bjorn E.J., Finnan J, Lauren M*

Principal Kolkea and his dedicated team of teachers and students took the opportunity to share their journey with the International Baccalaureate (IB) cycle. The learning experience includes academic milestones such as the completion of a Personal Project in grade 10 and the culmination with a Capstone project in grade 12.

C. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

1705	MOTION THAT the Agenda of the Regular Meeting January 23, 2024, be adopted.	Carried
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D. QUESTION & COMMENT PERIOD (10 minutes)

E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular Meeting December 19, 2023

1706	MOTION THAT the Minutes of the Regular Meeting December 19, 2023, be approved.	Carried
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F. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

- 1) Chair Broady requested an update on classes over 30, which Assistant Superintendent Hill confirmed to be at 12. A slight increase since the last report, attributed to a rise in enrolment and the need to accommodate students' timetables.
- 2) Vice Chair Brown requested further information from December's meeting surrounding the results from the PISA (Programme for International Student Assessment) report.

Superintendent Kennedy confirmed his plan to deliver a presentation in the spring, providing a comprehensive overview of the achievement results attained by students in West Vancouver Schools.

G. BOARD BUSINESS

1. Approval of Board Policies

Chris Kennedy, Superintendent

Superintendent Kennedy noted the two board policies that were reviewed, revised, and adopted by the board.

Policy 3 – Role of the Superintendent

1707	MOTION to adopt revised Board Policy 3, Role of the Superintendent.	Carried
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Policy 4 – Role of the Trustee

1708	MOTION to adopt revised Board Policy 4, Role of the Trustee.	Carried
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2. International Program Updates

Michael Frankowski, Director International Program

Mr. Frankowski provided an overview of this year's international student enrolment numbers and the forecast for 2024/25. He also discussed the recent IRCC changes to international student regulations, noting that the K-12 sector will not be significantly affected.

3. Mental Health in Schools Initiatives

*Sandra Lynn Shortall, Director of Instruction and Corrine Kinnon, District Principal
Max W., Inglewood student*

Director of Instruction Shortall and Principal Kinnon highlighted some of their mental health initiatives, which reflect a strategic and comprehensive approach to student mental health.

4. BCSTA Update

Nicole Brown, Vice Chair

Vice Chair Brown reminded and encouraged the board to attend the upcoming BCSTA Metro Branch meeting, a segment from their Leadership Series designed to promote active learning for trustees.

H. COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Finance & Facilities Committee Meeting – January 16, 2024

- 2023-24 Playground Award
- WVPFS Update
- Gleneagles Retaining Wall
- Winter Weather
- 2023/24 Amended Budget

Trustee Stevenson gave a summary of the January Finance and Facilities Committee meeting, which included the good news story of an estimated revenue increase for the District due to the increase in full-time enrolment.

1709 MOTION THAT the minutes for the Finance and Facilities Committee meeting held January 16, 2024, be received.

Carried

I. FOR INFORMATION

- Board Policy 6 - Role of the Board Chair - to be posted for feedback
- Board Policy 7 – Role of the Vice Chair – to be posted for feedback
- Board Policy 9 – Board Committees – to be posted for feedback

J. CORRESPONDENCE

A list of board correspondence is posted online.

<http://westvancouver.schools.ca/board-correspondence>

K. TRUSTEE MEETINGS & EVENTS

- BCSTA Board Branch President Meeting
- BCSTA Board Chairs Call
- BCSTA Metro Meeting
- BCSTA Virtual Session- Finance & Resource Management
- BCPSEA Annual General Meeting
- DPAC/Trustee/Admin Liaison Meeting @Kay Meek
- School Holiday Concerts

L. QUESTION & COMMENT PERIOD (10 Minutes)

M. ADJOURN

Julia Leiterman, Secretary Treasurer