

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

**Tuesday, January 29, 2019, 7:30 PM
School Board Office
811 Ontario Street, New Westminster**

PRESENT	Anita Ansari, Vice Chair	Karim Hachlaf, Superintendent
	Dee Beattie, Trustee	Kim Morris, Secretary-Treasurer
	Danielle Connelly, Trustee	Maryam Naser, Associate Superintendent
	Gurveen Dhaliwal, Trustee	Robert Weston, Director of Human Resources
	Mark Gifford, Chair	Caroline Manders, Recording Secretary
	Mary Lalji, Trustee	Guest:
	Maya Russell, Trustee	Stephen Inniss, District Vice-Principal

1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The meeting was called to order at 7:36pm.

Add Item #7a1. School Drug & Alcohol Counselor Update

2019-001

Moved and Seconded

3. PRESENTATION

- a. Delegation Presentation - Chantal Gauvin

Chantal Gauvin shared her personal story and the impact the School Drug & Alcohol Counselor on her life as both a student and as a parent.

4. COMMENT & QUESTION PERIOD FROM VISITORS

A parent asked for more information on the status of the Drug & Alcohol Counselor. Superintendent Hachlaf will update in the Superintendent Report later in the agenda.

It was noted by the audience that there is not presently any student representation on the Special Education Review panel and this may need to be considered.

A prospective Liberal nominee for the New Westminster-Burnaby riding introduced herself to the Board.

5. CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence was received.

6. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Education Policy & Planning Committee, January 8, 2019

1. Comments from the Committee Chair, Trustee Dhaliwal

Trustee Dhaliwal provided a brief overview of the meeting held on January 8, 2019.

2. Approval of the January 8, 2019 Education Policy and Planning Committee Minutes

2019-003

Moved and Seconded

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 40 (New Westminster) approve the minutes from the January 8, 2019 Education Policy & Planning Committee meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. Menstrual Initiative

2019-004

Moved and Seconded

To enhance the ability of students to manage menstruation without undue delay, embarrassment, financial burden, or shame, be it therefore resolved THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 40 (New Westminster), direct staff to report back at the February 12, 2019 Operations Policy & Planning Committee meeting with information regarding the installation of coin-free tampon and pad dispensers in all girls and universal restrooms in elementary, middle and secondary schools.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Minutes

- *Students*
- *Parents/caregivers of students with special needs*
- *CUPE Local 409 members*
- *NWTU*
- *NWPVPA*
- *Board of Education*
- *plan for ongoing consultation and engagement, and*
- *alignment with the District’s mission to enable each student to learn in a safe, engaging and inclusive environment;*

AND THAT a Special Education Review Implementation Plan be presented to the Board of Education by May 2019, with monthly updates to the Education Policy & Planning Committee.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

b. Operations Policy & Planning Committee, January 15, 2019

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Minutes

2019-018
Moved and Seconded

THAT the Board of Education of School District No.40 (New Westminster) direct staff to send an expression of interest for Audit Committee representation as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7. REPORTS SENIOR MANAGEMENT

a. Superintendent Report

- Superintendent Hachlaf presented a video of his visit to Queen Elizabeth Elementary School.
- School Drug & Alcohol Counselor Update
Superintendent Hachlaf provided an update regarding the status of the School Drug & Alcohol Counselor including public details of the Fraser Health Authority letter sent to the Board of Education. The Superintendent will provide Fraser Health Authority's responses to the Board's questions when received.

2019-019
Moved and Seconded

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 40 (New Westminster) write a letter to Fraser Health Authority expressing concern relative to the lack of consultation regarding recent changes to the school drug and alcohol counselling staff.

AND FURTHER
future

- d. December 31, 2018 Financial Update

Secretary-Treasurer Morris highlighted the revenues and expenses as at December 31, 2018.

- e. RBC Bank Accounts

2019-023

Moved and Seconded

Chair

Secretary-Treasurer