

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

**Tuesday, May 25, 2021, 7:00 PM
School Board Office
Via Webex Livestream**

- b. Operations Policy & Planning Committee, May 11, 2021
- i. Comments from the Committee Chair, Trustee Connelly
Trustee Connelly did not have any additional comments.
- ii. Approval of the May 11, 2021 Operations Policy and Planning Committee Minutes
2021-040
Moved and Seconded
THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 40 (New Westminster) approve the minutes as distributed for the May 11, 2021 Operations Policy & Planning Committee meeting.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- iii. Terms of Engagement with Auditor
2021-041
Moved and Seconded
THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 40 (New Westminster) to confirm and continue the engagement of KPMG, LLP for year-end audit services for 2021-2022 and 2022-2023.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- iv. School-based Vaccine Program
2021-042
Moved and Seconded
THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 40 (New Westminster) send a letter to the Minister of Health (the Honourable Adrian Dix) and the head of Fraser Health to advocate for the catch-up of the school-based immunization program.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7. REPORTS FROM SENIOR MANAGEMENT

- a. Superintendent Update
Superintendent Hachlaf provided an update and highlights:
- Graduation 2021 Update – plans are being revised due to some COVID-19 restrictions around gatherings being lifted in June.
 - Vaccinations (Pfizer) are now available for students aged 12-17. Further information to follow.
 - Professional Development Opportunities - May 21
 - Greater Vancouver Food Bank Society - was thanked for their recent generous donation of over \$12,000 in food gift cards, which were distributed to District families.
 - 2021-22 Principal and Vice-Principal Transfers and Appointments were 163 0 Td r Tw -32.5

b. 2021-2022 Budget Bylaw - 3rd and Final Reading

Discussion followed regarding Grade 2-8 online learning program and the retention of daytime custodians. Superintendent Hachlaf indicated that students will continue to be supported as they move from online to in-class instruction. Since the provincial government just announced the restart plan on May 25, this will inform how the District will proceed with daytime custodians going forward.

2021-043

Moved and Seconded

THAT the Board of Education of School District 40 (New Westminster) approve THIRD, reconsideration and final reading of the 2021-2022 Budget Bylaw in the amount of \$88,181,498 as presented.

**CARRIED
1 Opposed**

c. 2021-22 Five-Year Capital Plan

Secretary-Treasurer Ketcham explained the 2021-22 Capital Plan process. The 2022-23 Capital Plan will be brought forward at the June 22, 2021 Board meeting and the Bylaw will be approved in March 2022.

The land acquisition plan was not approved by the Ministry. The District will continue to put forward that request at the next Capital Plan cycle. Chair Dhaliwal echoed the disappointment that the land acquisition plan was not approved and indicated that an advocacy letter be sent to the Ministry explaining the urgent need for land in New Westminster. Secretary-Treasurer indicated that information around playgrounds is embargoed, and should the District be successful in getting a playground, this news will be shared by the Ministry.

2021-044

Moved and Seconded

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 40 (New Westminster) complete all three readings of Capital Bylaw No. 2021/22 – CPSD40-01.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2021-045

Moved and Seconded

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 40 (New Westminster) approve first and second reading of Capital Bylaw No. 2021/22 – CPSD40-

8. NEW BUSINESS

Nil.

9. TRUSTEE REPORTS

The Trustees provided highlights of events they attended in May.

10. QUESTION PERIOD (15 Minutes)

The public was given the opportunity to ask questions on matters that arose during the meeting. Please refer to the meeting video for full comments.

Sue Kenny indicated her disappointment over the budget not including support for the Grade 2-8 online program.

Trustee Lalji brought forward the following motion:

Moved

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 40 (New Westminster) follow the same protocol that is presently used for raising the \$450,000 for the NLC space for the NWSS Wellness and Welcome Centre, to also raise funds for the online learning program.

MOTION NOT SECONDED

11. NOTICE OF MEETINGS

Tuesday, June 8, 2021: Education Policy & Planning Committee, 5:00pm -
Via Webex Livestream

Tuesday, June 8, 2021: Operations Policy & Planning Committee, 6:30pm -
Via Webex Livestream

Tuesday, June 22, 2021: School Board Meeting, 7:00pm - Via Webex Livestream

12. REPORTING OUT FROM IN-CAMERA BOARD MEETING

a. Record of the April 27, 2021 In-Camera Meeting

b. Record of the Tf 0 Tc -6.6 SEMC ET /P <</MCID 4.3 (S)2 (c)-2 (hool)2.6 (Td (2.6 (ec)-)2