

## School District No. 44 (North Vancouver)

Minutes of the Public Meeting of the Board of Education, School District No. 44 (North Vancouver) held in the Board Room of the School Board Office at 721 Chesterfield Avenue in North Vancouver, British Columbia on Tuesday, May 25, 2010.

**PRESENT:** S. Skinner, Chairperson  
F. Stratton, Vice-Chairperson  
H. Back  
S. Bouman  
L. Buchanan  
B. Forward  
M. Tasi

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### A.1. Call to Order

Chairperson Skinner called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

### A.2. Approval of Agenda

Moved by B Forward

that the agenda of May 25, 2010 as recommended in the Administrative Memorandum, be amended by reordering item C6 above the stated items C4 and C5.

Seconded by S Bouman

Carried

The portion of the agenda was reordered as follows:

- C.4. Notice of Motion
- C.5. Proposed Revised Policy 801: Community Use and Rental of Facilities (was *Community Use of School Facilities*)  
Proposed Revised Policy 805: Disposition of Land and Facilities (was *Disposal of Land or Improvements, Leases, Rights of Way and Easements*)
- C.6. Proposed Revised Policy 302: Student Conduct  
Proposed Revised Policy 606: Suspension and Exclusion of Students from School (was *Suspension and Exclusion of Students*)

### A.3. Public Comment Period

The ten-minute comment period is intended to be restricted to items on the evening's Board Agenda. The Chair requested that those wishing to speak should sign on the Public Comment Sign-Up Sheet and that each individual would be limited to two minutes.

There were no persons wishing to speak.

### A.4. Approval of Minutes

The following amendments to the minutes of April 27, 2010 were requested:

Item B.1. Third Reading of the School District No. 44 North Vancouver) Fromme Elementary School Closure Bylaw 2010 should read:

Moved by *L Buchanan*, seconded by *S Bouman*

Item C.2. Trustees' Reports; BC School Trustees Association (BCSTA) Annual General Meeting: A request was made that acknowledgement be recorded of Chair Skinner's work on the motion passed at the BCSTA AGM to establish a Royal Commission on Education. Minutes to read:

#### **A.4. Approval of Minutes (continued)**

In addition, the membership passed a motion to request a Royal Commission on Education as well as the implementation of an action group. *Thanks were extended to Chair Skinner for her work specifically on the Royal Commission on Education motion.*

Item C.2. Notice of Motion. There was a request that the motion be recorded in the minutes. Minutes to include:

**Whereas** the North Vancouver Board of Education is contemplating decisions relating to possible integrated/joint use of vacant School District space and facilities;

**Whereas** the North Vancouver Trustees recently moved a motion at the BC School Trustees Association Annual General Meeting relating to Neighbourhood Learning Centres requesting the Ministry of Education develop a cross-ministerial policy that would inform and encourage participation of other ministries, local governments, and community entities and provide a framework for planning and development that is supported by appropriate funding; and that Trustees advocate that Neighbourhood Learning Centres be developed in existing facilities;

**Whereas** collection of data from the use of North Vancouver School District schools and facilities is a critical component of the decision making process to the integrated and joint use of schools;

**Whereas** the North Vancouver Recreation Commission currently provides rental and booking services for recreation and meeting space in North Vancouver such as North Vancouver Parks & Fields, Sutherland School Gym (weekend use) and the District Library in Lynn Valley; and

**Whereas** the expanded and efficient use of North Vancouver public schools during and after school hours is in the best interest of the North Vancouver community;

#### **Therefore be it resolved:**

that the Board request staff to investigate the possibility of the North Vancouver Recreation Commission assuming responsibility for booking the use of schools outside of normal school hours. Staff to review the status of afterhours use of schools and School District facilities; and further recommend options and possible time lines for the transition to the Recreation Commission booking system and report back to the Board at the June 22, 2010 Public Board Meeting.

Moved by F Stratton

that the minutes of the public meeting of April 27, 2010 be approved as amended.

Seconded by H Back

Carried

#### **B.1. BC Hydro Energy Ambassadors Presentation**

Secretary Treasurer Irene Young introduced this agenda item and welcomed Ms Laura Darch, a Coordinator with the BC Hydro Schools Program. *Energy Ambassadors* is an awareness, action and leadership program about energy sustainability for grades 9 to 12.

As part of the program, student teams investigate energy use in their school district and develop an action plan to make their school district more energy efficient and sustainable. Ms Darch introduced *Green Team* members from Balmoral, Carson Graham, Seycove, Windsor and Handsworth Secondary Schools. The students highlighted the role of BC Hydro Energy Ambassadors, their initiatives at both elementary and secondary schools as well as community initiatives. In addition, the following recommendations were outlined:

- establish district-supported green teams at every school
- establish a coordinator to reduce each school's use of energy, water and waste
- create a unit for Planning 10 that includes social responsibility and environmental stewardship

**B.1. BC Hydro Energy Ambassadors Presentation (continued)**

- maintain and improve school recycling programs
- biodegradable cafeteria cutlery and dishes
- printers with double-sided settings and computers with easy-off power bars

In closing, the students acknowledged the support of Laura Darch and BC Hydro; teacher sponsors Susan Johnston, Carolyn Pena, Kate Peatfield and Jeff Jackson, SD44 Maintenance Manager and team mentor.

The Board thanked the *BC Hydro Energy Ambassadors Team* for their presentation and the Chair acknowledged Mary Ferguson, BC Hydro Power School Programs Manager, who was in attendance.

Discussion surrounding the presentation included making the presentation to other groups; increased awareness of environmental stewardship especially at the elementary school level; the recommendation regarding Planning 10 unit; composting at schools; energy surveys and involvement in other green initiatives. A request was made that a *BC Hydro Energy Ambassadors Team* representative forward to the Board a copy of the letter used in their letter writing campaign as well as a copy of the Prime Minister's response. Mention was made of an organization entitled "Cool North Shore" with a suggestion that Ms Darch forward her contact information to this organization through the Board Chair.

Moved by B Forward

that the Board receive and acknowledge the presentation from the BC Hydro Energy Ambassadors for North Vancouver School District.

Seconded by H Back

Carried

**B.2. 2010/2011 Annual Operating Budget Bylaw**

Trustees received with their agendas copies of the Annual Budget Bylaw for 2010/2011, Draft 2010/11 Annual Operating Budget and the 2010-2011 Preliminary Budget Notes and Assumptions.

Secretary Treasurer Irene Young presented the Draft 2010/11 Annual Operating Budget in the amount of \$137,200,342 in the form specified by the Minister. As required by Section 111(2) of the School Act, the Draft 2010/11 Annual Operating Budget must balance estimated expenditures to forecasted revenues from all sources. The Board's budget bylaw must be adopted on or before June 30, 2010

Georgia Allison, Director of Financial Services, was invited to the table. The Secretary Treasurer reported that, faced with challenges at the beginning of the year including decreased revenue due in part to the drop in both regular and international enrolment; the cancellation of the Annual Facilities Grant and loss of interest revenue; the Board initiated an extensive budget process with community involvement at a series of Finance and Facilities Standing Committee and Budget Challenge 2010 meetings; the February Public Information Meeting to present the rationale for potential school and program consolidations/closures and the subsequent representative working group meetings. Secretary Treasurer Young noted that everyone involved in the budget process has worked very hard to put together a very complex budget.

Superintendent Lewis, Secretary Treasurer Irene Young and Georgia Allison, Director of Financial Services, responded to Trustees' questions regarding: salaries and benefits – significant impact on the budget with staff reductions but offset by increase in salaries and benefits; International Baccalaureate Program – currently require a coordinator at each site, but will reduce by one coordinator once Balmoral and Carson Graham are amalgamated; three year deficit of approx \$10m being addressed by implemented strategies over that period; low expectation of BCeSIS and PLNet grant funding; development of guidelines and procedures for

**B.2. 2010/2011 Annual Operating Budget Bylaw (continued)**

developmental leadership; service levels in Special Needs and District counseling; and transitioning cost related to school closures – some costs already anticipated such as utilization of a portable from Carisbrooke capital project at Lynn Valley School and cost of a walking school bus. Regarding the likelihood of the Ministry in future either reducing or forgiving capital debt, Secretary Treasurer Young reported that she recently met with Ministry staff to discuss reduction of debt through land sale and the Ministry's recommendation to develop a proposal for submission to cabinet. It was also clarified that payment of the debt from the Westview and Sutherland capital projects is due in 2013. In response to a question regarding assignment of calendar savings, the Superintendent noted that contingent on Board approval, the Board would identify where the savings would be directed, for example, the possibility of a contingency fund. Responding to a question regarding lease revenue, the Superintendent and Secretary Treasurer clarified that if a lease was less than five years, the funds can be directed to operating costs; but leases of five years or greater are capital leases and the revenue must be used for capital use similar to projects funded by the Annual Facilities Grant such as roofing, boiler replacements and upgrades or towards major capital projects.

The Board acknowledged the hard work that staff, specifically Ms Allison, contributed to the budget development. Thanks were also extended to Trustee Stratton, Chair of the Finance & Facilities Standing Committee, and Secretary Treasurer Irene Young for their work in developing the Budget Challenge series of meetings as well guiding the public's awareness of the budget development process through the Finance & Facilities Standing Committee meetings.

Commending the Trustees' dedication to their role in the budget process and the difficult decisions that have been faced, the Chair called for the motion.

Moved by F Stratton

that School District No. 44 (North Vancouver) Annual Budget Bylaw for fiscal year 2010/11 be read a first time;

Seconded by B Forward

Carried

Moved by H Back

that School District No. 44 (North Vancouver) Annual Budget Bylaw for fiscal year 2010/11 be read a second time;

Seconded by F Stratton

Carried

The Board unanimously agreed to proceed to a third reading of the bylaw.

Moved by L Buchanan

that School District No. 44 (North Vancouver) Annual Budget Bylaw for fiscal year 2010/11 be read a third time, passed and adopted the 25<sup>th</sup> day of May 2010.

Seconded by S Bouman

Carried

After consulting with the Superintendent regarding timing and staff workload, the Board then recommended that a needs budget be developed and submitted to the Ministry.

Moved by L Buchanan

that the Board request staff to develop a needs budget to be forwarded to the Minister of Education by June 30, 2010 in support of restoring full funding.

Seconded by F Stratton

Carried

The Chair noted that this motion will be brought forward to the Presidents' Council at their meeting of May 31, 2010.

Final thanks were extended to staff, partner groups and community members that assisted in this very lengthy budget development process.

**B.3. Braemar Surplus Land Disposition Bylaw 2010**

With their agendas, Trustees received copies of the Braemar Surplus Land Disposition Bylaw 2010.

Secretary Treasurer Irene Young introduced this agenda item and reviewed the School District's long-term real estate asset management and disposition program since its development in the spring of 2006. Specifically, the Secretary Treasurer reviewed the conditional sale to Wedgewood Ventures of the portion of surplus land adjacent to Braemar School. It was noted that the original bylaw approved by the Board on October 23, 2007 authorized the sale of the surplus land at fair market value subsequent to a public process. Although the Cunningham and Rivard appraisal report has valued the land as high as \$2,300,000, Wedgewood Ventures has increased their offer above that value to \$2,400,000. In addition, Wedgewood has agreed to pay \$150 per square foot for any additional building space approved by the District of North Vancouver in the rezoning process.

Secretary Treasurer Irene Young advised that this sale was approved prior to Ministerial order M193/08 effective September 3, 2008 which requires all land sales to be approved by the Minister of Education. Nevertheless, the Minister's approval for the sale of both parcels (Argyle and Braemar surplus sites) has now been received.

Secretary Treasurer Young and Superintendent Lewis clarified that if the sale was approved, sale proceeds could be targeted for the track at Windsor Secondary as well as the Environmental Learning Centre to match North Shore Credit Union's contribution. Response was also provided to Trustees' questions regarding conditions of sale relative to District of North Vancouver development approval; initiation of discussions with District of North Vancouver if the bylaw is approved and the progress made since the establishment of the Collaboration Committee with the District of North Vancouver; timeframe for potential proceeds of sale which would not be realized for a year minimum; and timing of potential development given the property's geotechnical challenges.

While concerns were expressed as to whether the School District was able to realize the best possible price, it was noted that the value of the land is based on a zoning concept which could take two years to develop with the District of North Vancouver. It was observed that with the approval of the bylaw before the Board, any future site related costs would be borne by the developer.

Moved by M Tasi

that School District No. 44 (North Vancouver) Braemar Surplus Land Parcel Disposition Bylaw 2010 be read a first time;

Seconded by L Buchanan

Carried

Moved by F Stratton

that School District No. 44 (North Vancouver) Braemar Surplus Land Parcel Disposition Bylaw 2010 be read a second time;

Seconded by B Forward

Carried

The Board unanimously agreed to proceed to a third reading of the bylaw.

Moved by L Buchanan

that School District No. 44 (North Vancouver) Braemar Surplus Land Parcel Disposition Bylaw 2010 be read a third time, passed and adopted.

Seconded by S Bouman

Carried

**B.4. School Community Connections Grant Application – May 2010**

Secretary Treasurer Irene Young introduced this agenda item. Included in the Trustee agenda package was a copy of the grant application to the School Community Connections Program, for the Windsor Secondary School Sport Facility.

The Secretary Treasurer advised that the School District has been successful in qualifying for these types of grants since their inception. Sandy Shaw, Manager, Community & Business Development, was invited to the table to highlight key aspects of the current application which requires a Board resolution. Ms Shaw explained that, if successful, the requested maximum funding of \$30,000 would be applied to the installation of additional parking in order to facilitate the increased traffic due to the playfield redevelopment and track installation. A traffic consultant's report recommended additional parking on the west side of Windsor Secondary as well as a change in the parking lot configuration.

Ms Shaw responded to Trustees' questions regarding alternative (green) transportation strategies; use of permeable surface materials; if other opportunities were identified where the funds could be directed – Windsor hub is current focus; District of North Vancouver "in kind contributions" of staff work and negotiation of Nexus funding towards the artificial turf field; and the possibility of corporate sponsorship – explored through an overall School District fundraising strategy which is in the draft stage.

Moved by B Forward

that the Board approve the funding application attached to Schedule B.4. of the Administrative Memorandum of the May 25, 2010 Public Board Agenda for funding of the School Community Connections Program supporting projects in North Vancouver School District for both student and community use and benefit.

Seconded by H Back

Carried

On behalf of the Board, the Chair thanked Ms Shaw for the work she has done in the submission of this grant proposal as well as on the past successful applications.

**C.1. Approval of Five Year Capital Plan Summary (2010/11)**

Secretary Treasurer Irene Young introduced this agenda item and distributed an amended version to the Five-Year Capital Plan (Year 2010/11) which was attached to the agenda.

The Five Year-Year Capital Plan identifies high priority capital projects in the School District. The priorities (unchanged from the 2009/10 Submission) identified in the 2010/11 Capital Plan have been reviewed by and confirmed with the School District's Capital Planning Committee. The School District's highest priority remains the replacement of Argyle Secondary School. The second highest priority continues to be the replacement of Seymour Heights School and assumes the consolidation of Blueridge School into a larger Seymour Heights School.

The Secretary Treasurer advised that the Ministry of Education has once again modified the capital project submission process and it now involves two phases: Phase One includes school replacements and renovations, as in the past, and Phase Two includes all seismic mitigation projects. Ian Abercrombie, Director of Facilities and Planning, and Secretary Treasurer Young responded to Trustees' questions regarding the process for submission of Capital Plans; the cost of current School District's capital projects; and clarification that Argyle and Seymour Heights still remain top priorities though summary sheet ordering now includes a mechanical systems upgrade at Brooksbank. It was recommended that a communication be posted outlining the melding of major and minor capital funding within one capital plan and reassuring the Argyle and Seymour Heights communities that their schools are still at the top of the priority list.

**C.1. Approval of Five Year Capital Plan Summary (2010/11) (continued)**

Moved by S Bouman

that the Board approve the Five-Year Capital Plan as outlined in the summary attached to Schedule C.1. of the May 25, 2010 Board Agenda.

Seconded by L Buchanan

Carried

**C.2. Elementary School Fees 2010/11**

Trustees received with their agendas copies of the *Schedule of Elementary School Fees 2010/2011* for North Vancouver School District. Superintendent John Lewis introduced this item and advised that boards of education may charge fees to students and parents for goods and services provided by the Board in accordance with the *School Act* [s. 82].

The North Vancouver School District (NVSD) Board of Education has developed *Policy 706: School Fees*, which incorporates the requirements and provisions of the legislation.

In accordance with this policy, NVSD elementary schools have established, reviewed and submitted their schedule of supplementary fees for the 2010/11 school year.

Zone Assistant Superintendent Bryn Roberts responded to questions regarding the District's hardship policy and clarified that it had recently been discussed at a Principals/Vice Principals meeting to ensure that delivery of the policy was consistent District wide.

Moved by B Forward

that the Board receive the *Schedule of Elementary School Fees 2010/2011* presented at this Public Board Meeting on May 25, 2010.

Seconded by H Back

Carried

**C.3. Proposed Local School Calendar 2010/11**

With their agendas, Trustees received copies of the Proposed North Vancouver School District School Calendar 2010/2011.

Superintendent Lewis introduced this agenda item and reviewed the steps leading up to the Board's consideration to adopt a Local School Calendar for the 2010/2011 school year which would see schools closed on Friday, November 12<sup>th</sup> and March 14<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup>, the week preceding the Spring Break in the Standard School Calendar. The Superintendent reported that respondents provided feedback through the online survey as well as feedback sheets at the Finance and Facilities Standing Committee meeting of May 4, 2010.

Mark Jefferson, Director of Human Resources, was invited to the table and responded to Trustees' concerns regarding informing community agencies of the Board's decision if the Local School Calendar is approved; establishment of criteria to monitor impact and benefits of the implementation; and further exploration of community use of school facilities during Spring Break closures.

Moved by M Tasi

that the Board approve and adopt the proposed local North Vancouver School District School Calendar for 2010/2011, as attached to Administrative Memorandum C.3.

Seconded by F Stratton

Carried

Moved by B Forward

to extend the meeting past 10:00 pm.

Seconded by F Stratton

Carried

**C.4. Notice of Motion – Joint Use of School District Facilities with North Vancouver Recreation Commission**

During the Trustees' report at the April 27, 2010 Public Board meeting, the Board was served with a Notice of Motion by Trustee Forward. A copy of the Notice of Motion was included in the agenda package.

Trustee Forward, who sits as a Commissioner on the North Vancouver Recreation Commission, explained that the intention of the motion is to facilitate gathering of information on how extra space at the schools is being utilized. While attending Recreation Commission meetings, Trustee Forward has been made aware of the Commission's difficulty in obtaining information on available space and also whether space booked for school use was actually used by the school or was a missed opportunity for community use.

The Board discussed the possibility of the Recreation Commission assuming responsibility for booking the use of school facilities outside of school hours and the concerns of transferring this responsibility outside of the School District. Other possibilities discussed were on-line booking and the recommendation for an on-line calendar showing booking availability for each school.

Superintendent Lewis noted that while reviewing Policy 801: Community Use of School Facilities, the next item on the evening's agenda, the Policy Review Committee recognized that there is an issue with schools booking in June for the following year and consequently booking a larger proportion of time than required in order to accommodate future school events that may not yet be scheduled. A suggestion put forward at the Policy Review to encourage schools' identification of available spaces and times would be the return of a portion of the revenue received from community bookings back to the schools.

Following further discussion, there was consensus to refer the matter to the Joint Use of Public Facilities Planning Committee, which is co-chaired by Trustees Stratton and Skinner.

Moved by B Forward

that the Board refer the following to the Joint Use of Public Facilities Planning Committee to be considered at their next meeting: investigate the possibility of working collaboratively with the North Vancouver Recreation Commission to better optimize our facilities and generate revenue.

Seconded by F Stratton

Carried

**C.5. Proposed Revised Policy 801: Community Use and Rental of Facilities (was *Community Use of School Facilities*)  
Proposed Revised Policy 805: Disposition of Land and Facilities (was *Disposal of Land or Improvements, Leases, Rights of Way and Easements*)**

Trustees received with their agendas Proposed Revised *Policy 801: Community Use and Rental of Facilities* and Proposed Revised *Policy 805: Disposition of Land and Facilities*.

Irene Young, Secretary Treasurer, introduced Proposed Revised *Policy 801: Community Use and Rental of Facilities* and Proposed Revised *Policy 805: Disposition of Land and Facilities*, and outlined the proposed amendments.

In response to a question regarding the difference between a lease and a license, the Secretary Treasurer explained that a license provides more flexibility as the School District can enter into a short term arrangement for a portion of the building; for example, new daycares are now looking at licenses. Regarding adult use of facilities, for example change rooms, it was recommended that signage be posted in these areas communicating the School District's policy which does not allow alcoholic beverages on school premises.

**C.5. Proposed Revised Policy 801: Community Use and Rental of Facilities (was *Community Use of School Facilities*) (continued)  
Proposed Revised Policy 805: Disposition of Land and Facilities (was *Disposal of Land or Improvements, Leases, Rights of Way and Easements*) (continued)**

Moved by F Stratton

that Proposed Revised *Policy 801: Community Use and Rental of Facilities* and *Policy 805: Disposition of Land and Facilities*, as attached to this Administrative Memorandum of May 25, 2010, be adopted effective May 26, 2010.

Seconded by L Buchanan

Carried

**C.6. Proposed Revised Policy 302: Student Conduct  
Proposed Revised Policy 606: Suspension and Exclusion of Students from School (was *Suspension and Exclusion of Students*)**

Trustees received with their agendas Proposed Revised *Policy 302: Student Conduct* and Proposed Revised *Policy 606: Suspension and Exclusion of Students from School*.

John Lewis, Superintendent of Schools, introduced Proposed *Policy 302: Student Conduct* and Proposed Revised *Policy 606: Suspension and Exclusion of Students from School*, and outlined the proposed amendments. The amendments were necessitated by the need to reference the BC Human Rights Code as well as the legislative changes regarding *Bill 20, School (Student Achievement Enabling) Amendment Act, 2007*.

In discussion, it was noted that there is a specific policy regarding homophobia. It was further noted that a complete audit of elementary school codes of conduct was taken to ensure alignment across the School District.

Moved by B Forward

that Proposed Revised *Policy 302: Student Conduct* and *Policy 606: Suspension and Exclusion of Students from School*, as attached to this Administrative Memorandum of May 25, 2010 and with the corrections as stipulated, be adopted effective May 26, 2010.

Seconded by L Buchanan

Carried

**C.7. Tuesday, May 4, 2010 Meeting of the Finance and Facilities Standing Committee**

Copies of the meeting notes from the May 4, 2010 meeting of the Finance and Facilities Standing Committee were included in the Trustees' agenda packages. Trustee Stratton, Chair of the Finance and Facilities Standing Committee, reported on highlights of the meeting which included budget presentations by the School District's partner groups as well as consideration of a Local School Calendar. During group discussion, protection of core services was addressed. It was also noted that future agenda items could address the impact of the budget, as well as looking ahead at revenue generation and opportunities rather than challenges in 2011.

**C.8. Tuesday, May 11, 2010 Meeting of the Education and Programs Standing Committee**

Copies of the meeting notes from the May 11, 2010 meeting of the Education and Programs Standing Committee were included in the Trustees' agenda packages. Trustee Buchanan, Chair of the Education and Programs Standing Committee, reported on highlights of the meeting which included the presentation of the Secondary School Apprenticeship Scholarship recipients by Eva Ratzburg, District Facilitator for Career Programs. There was also a round table discussion on the current Aboriginal Enhancement Agreement which expires in June 2011 and will be considered for renewal during the 2010/11 school year.

**C.9. Superintendent's Report**

The Superintendent noted there was no report but thanked the Board for its perseverance in the development of one of the most difficult budgets that the School District has faced.

### C.10. Trustees' Reports

Trustees submitted their reports on their activities on behalf of the Board as follows:

1. Meetings attended by Trustees included:
  - Trustee Workshops
  - Board Meeting (Public and In Camera)
  - Finance & Facilities Standing Committee meeting
  - Education & Programs Standing Committee meeting
  - Communications Committee meeting
  - Green Team Committee meeting
  - Community meetings re Expression of Interest for Plymouth and Fromme sites
2. Events attended by Trustees included:
  - District Fine Arts Staff Recognition
  - Honours Luncheon
  - BC Hydro Energy Management Assessment Workshop held in the School District Board Room
  - Seycove Grade 12 Grad Exit Interview Process

Chair Skinner temporarily passed the Chair to Vice Chair Stratton in order to introduce the following Notice of Motion to be addressed at the next Public Board meeting.

"That the Board will conduct a comprehensive review of Senior and District Administration staff over the next 6 to 9 months with a report to be presented at a future Public Board Meeting in conjunction with the 2011/2012 budget planning process. The goal of the review would be to provide better understanding of the roles and responsibilities of each of the administrative positions, to inform our future strategic plan, and to seek potential for improved efficiencies and streamlining in support of the most recent Provincial Throne Speech and anticipated changes to public education as delivered on February 9, 2010[.] (*Smarter approaches will allow more resources to be focused on students' learning needs while less is spent on administrative costs.*) This review will also serve to inform and support succession planning within the school district."

### D. Future Meetings

Future meetings of the Board were noted as follows:

Tuesday, Jun 8, 2010 at 7:00 pm	Education & Programs Standing Committee	Leo Marshall Curriculum Centre 810 W 21 <sup>st</sup> St, N Vancouver
Tuesday, Jun 22, 2010 at 7:00 pm	Public Board Meeting	Board Room - School Board Office 721 Chesterfield Ave, N Vancouver

### E. Question Period

The Chair called for questions from the public noting that in accordance with Board policy, questions relating to personnel, negotiations or litigation must not be dealt with in a public session.

- David Whitehead, Co-Chair of the NV Parent Advisory Council, raised questions and commented on the following:
  - if the budget just approved addressed all 21 budget directions; the Superintendent confirmed the budget directions were the basis with exceptions as noted in the "2010-2011 Preliminary Budget Notes and Assumptions".
  - In favour of a needs budget also being submitted to the Ministry.
  - When reviewing the impact of changes in the school calendar; suggested including in the review a question relating to what families' plans are during the extended spring break.

The Board acknowledged Mr. Whitehead's work as Co-Chair of the District's Parent Advisory Council, and extended thanks to the Council for the work done this year.

**F. Adjournment**

The established agenda being completed, the Chairperson called for a motion to adjourn.

Moved by B Forward  
to adjourn the meeting at 11:25 pm.  
Seconded by L Buchanan

Carried

Certified Correct:

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Irene Young  
Secretary Treasurer

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Susan Skinner  
Chairperson, Board of Education

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