

MINUTES OF AN INAUGURAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 37 (DELTA)

DATE, TIME AND PLACE:

November 8, 2022 7:00 p.m.
District Administration Building

PRESENT:

Trustees:

E. Beard
N. Daula
A. Dhillon
M. Gooch
N. Kanakos
J. Muego
V. Windsor

Staff:

D. Sheppard, Superintendent of Schools
B. Bauman, Assistant Superintendent
N. Christ, Secretary-Treasurer
D. Duff, Director, Facilities & Planning
J. Duffin, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer
T. Johnson, Director, Learning Services –
Equity & Success
P. Klassen, Director, Learning Services –
Inclusive Learning
J. Maranda, Assistant Superintendent
A. Mascati, Director, Human Resources
N. Stephenson, Director, Learning Services –
Education Programs
K. Symonds, Director, International Student Programs
C. Tucker, Director of Communications
R. Sonsalla, Executive Assistant

Mr. Doug Sheppard, Superintendent of Schools, introduced Mr. Nathan Wilson, Indigenous Cultural Enhancement Facilitator, who provided a Traditional Welcome and Opening.

Ms. Nicola Christ, Secretary Treasurer, introduced the Honourable Judge J.G. Cohen who read the Trustee Code of Conduct and administered the Oath of Office to the new Board of Education.

CALL TO ORDER

Superintendent Sheppard called the meeting to order at 7:16 p.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

M/S Trustees Kanakos/Beard

THAT the agenda be adopted as distributed.

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CARRIED

Superintendent Sheppard called three times for nominations for Board Chairperson for the November 8, 2022 to November 6, 2023 period.

M/S Trustees Dhillon/Gooch
Trustee Windsor for Board Chairperson.

As no other nominations were received, Trustee Windsor was acclaimed Chairperson.

Chairperson Windsor assumed the chair.

Chairperson Windsor called three times for nominations for Vice-Chairperson for the November 8, 2022 to November 6, 2023 period.

M/S Chairperson Windsor/Trustee Muego
Trustee Beard for Vice-Chairperson.

As no other nominations were received, Trustee Beard was acclaimed Vice-Chairperson.

Chairperson Windsor called three times for the nomination of a Trustee Representative to the Provincial Council of the British Columbia School Trustees' Association.

M/S Trustee Daula/Vice-Chair Beard
Trustee Muego for Trustee Representative to the Provincial Council of the British Columbia School Trustees' Association.

As no other nominations were received, Trustee Muego was acclaimed Provincial Council Representative to the British Columbia School Trustees' Association.

Chairperson Windsor called three times for the nomination of Alternate to the Provincial Council of the British Columbia School Trustees' Association.

M/S Trustees Dhillon/Gooch
Chairperson Windsor for Alternate to the Provincial Council of the British Columbia School Trustees' Association.

As no other nominations were received, Chairperson Windsor was acclaimed Alternate to the Provincial Council of the British Columbia School Trustees' Association.

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Chairperson Windsor called three times for the nomination of a Trustee Representative to the BC Public School Employers' Association and the Provincial Bargaining Council.

M/S Trustees Kanakos/Daula

Vice-Chair Beard for Trustee Representative to the BC Public School Employers' Association and the Provincial Bargaining Council.

As no other nominations were received, Vice-Chair Beard was acclaimed Trustee Representative to the BC Public School Employers' Association and the Provincial Bargaining Council.

Chairperson Windsor called three times for the nomination of Alternate to the BC Public School Employers' Association and the Provincial Bargaining Council.

M/S Vice-Chair Beard/Trustee Muego

Trustee Kanakos for Alternate to the BC Public School Employers' Association and the Provincial Bargaining Council.

As no other nominations were received, Trustee Kanakos was acclaimed Alternate to the BC Public School Employers' Association and the Provincial Bargaining Council.

Chairperson Windsor provided an Indigenous Land Recognition and offered her respects to all of the Elders who have gone before us and to all Canadians who are on a journey of Reconciliation. She also acknowledged that today is National Indigenous Veterans Day, where we recognize the legacy, history and significance of Indigenous military service to Canada.

Chairperson Windsor introduced the evenings' special guests and thanked them for their attendance and support of the Trustees and the Delta School District. She offered thanks to Honourable Judge J.G. Cohen for presiding over the swearing in of the new Board and to Nathan Wilson, for providing the Traditional Welcome and Opening. She acknowledged and thanked fellow Board members and all candidates standing for office, friends and family, and all District staff.

Chairperson Windsor spoke of the goals and commitments of the new Board for the next four years, which included working towards achieving the goals of Vision 2030. Other areas of action for the Board include working with Delta's Child Youth and Family Serving agencies, enhancing the School District's community leadership role, working with Mayor, Council and community partners to share costs on mutually beneficial projects and advocate for efficient use of tax dollars.

Chairperson Windsor spoke of the importance of nurturing the relationship between the School District and the Tsawwassen and Musqueam First Nations. Delta School Trustees are committed to working to help implement the Truth and Reconciliation Call to Action #63 by building student capacity for intercultural understanding, empathy and mutual respect.

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DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING

December 6, 2022 at 7:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

M/S Trustees Gooch/Kanakos

THAT the Delta School Board Inaugural meeting of November 8, 2022 be adjourned.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT: 7:34 p.m.

Chairperson

Secretary-Treasurer