

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 37 (DELTA)  
JUNE 17, 2025

DATE, TIME AND PLACE: June 17, 2025, 7:30 pm  
District Administration Building

PRESENT: Trustees: J. Muego, Chairperson  
V. Windsor, Vice-Chairperson  
E. Beard  
A. Dhillon  
M. Gooch  
N. Kanakos

D. Sheppard, Superintendent of Schools  
B. Bauman, Assistant Superintendent  
C. Bromley, Director, Information Technology Services  
N. Christ, Secretary-Treasurer  
F. de Dios, Director of Facilities & Planning  
D. Duff, Director of Human Resources  
J. Duffin, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer  
J. Gray, Assistant Superintendent  
P. Klassen, Director, Learning Services – Inclusive Learning  
N. Stephenson, Director, Learning Services - Education Programs  
C. Tucker, Director of Communications  
K. Aquino, Executive Assistant

ABSENT: Trustee: N. Daula

K. Symonds, Director, International Student Programs

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Muego called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Chair Muego opened the meeting by acknowledging the traditional territory of the Tsawwassen First Nation and Musqueam Indian Band and of all the Hun'qumi'num speaking people who have been stewards of this land since time immemorial, and also offered his respect to all the Elders who have gone before us and to all Canadians who are on the journey of Reconciliation.

Chairperson Muego introduced the following education partners attending the meeting, and thanked them for their participation:

- John Mann – Vice President, DPVPA
- Matt Huang – Executive Committee Member, PD Chair, DTA
- Pam Bahia – Executive Committee Member, BIPOC, DTA
- Deborah Kabesh – Secretary Treasurer, CUPE 1091
- Hannah Johnson – ESW Unit Chair, CUPE 1091

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

M/S Trustee Gooch / Vice Chair Windsor  
**THAT** the Agenda be adopted as distributed.

**CARRIED**

NATIONAL INDIGENOUS PEOPLE'S DAY

Diane Jubinville, District Principal, Indigenous Education, provided a video presentation and an overview of the events and activities that occurred during the school year under the Indigenous Education portfolio. The Trustees thanked Diane for her presentation.

DELTA YOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE PRESENTATION

Brad Bauman, Assistant Superintendent, introduced the Delta Youth Advisory Committee (DYAC) students. The students then, by school, each provided an overview of the various projects and initiatives they had engaged in throughout the school year. Some of the initiatives they worked on include:

- Fostering tradition and connection within the school
- Deepening student leadership through student-led discussions at staff meetings
- Initiating a student of the month award at the school
- Development of a peer mentorship program for students
- Providing more opportunities for students to interact and engage with the community
- Creating a supportive school environment where students feel safe, heard and valued
- Opening more conversations about mental health at the school
- Providing mentorship workshops for Grade 8's to help set them up for success

Brad gave special recognition to the Vice-Principals in attendance, thanking them for their dedication to and support for the students. The presentations were well received, and the Trustees expressed enthusiasm and appreciation for the innovative ideas the students had developed and implemented.

SCIENCE FAIR PRESENTATION

Jane Gray, Assistant Superintendent, introduced Margaret Callander, Vice Principal at Seaquam Secondary School, who then spoke to a recent presentation given by Seaquam student Prabhleen Randhawa at the South Fraser Regional Science Fair in April. Prabhleen then presented her project and shared her experiences at the Canada Wide Science Fair, held recently in Fredericton, New Brunswick. Prabhleen was thrilled to represent the Delta School District, and she showcased the posterboard she brought with her to Fredericton. She also brought a sample of the knotwood she had created and shared that it is currently patent pending. The Trustees were impressed with Prabhleen's accomplishments and thanked her for the presentation.

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APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

M/S Vice Chair Windsor / Trustee Beard

**THAT** the Minutes of the Regular meeting of May 13, 2025, be approved upon amendment of the minutes regarding Chair Muego's portion of the Board of Education Report.

**CARRIED**

The request to amend minutes in Chair Muego's report was on the events that occurred on May 3, and the minutes now read as follows:

- May 3: Attended the 2nd Annual MCB (Mayor's Charity Ball) with Vice Chair Windsor, Director of Communications Cathryn Tucker, District Manager – Prevention and School Wellness Kirsten Hermanson, and Child and Youth Care Worker (CYCW) and artist Curtis Miller Joe. The event focused on fundraising for the Healthy Snacks Program, ensuring Delta students have access to nutritious food.

BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT

Vice Chair Windsor reported the following:

- May 14 – attended the Indigenous Education Recognition Ceremony where the Coastal Wolfpack welcomed approximately 40 grades 7 and 12 students and their families.
- May 22 – attended the Indigenous Canoe Journey at Deas Island Park.
- June 3 – attended the Delview Student Cancer Drive where the students organized their first ever Canadian Cancer fundraiser and raised almost \$14,000.

Trustee Dhillon reported the following:

- May 20 – attended a parent inclusion and diversity information meeting at Jarvis, at which families were informed how BC public schools provide information on the topics related to inclusion and diversity, and in particular information on gender identity and sexual orientation.
- May 21 – attended the Seaquam Track Groundbreaking to participate in the ceremonial sod-turning.
- June 3 – attended the North Delta Youth Hub Opening. The Hub is a portable drop-in space for teens, so they can spend time in a safe, youth-friendly environment.
- June 12 – attended the Delta School District Retirement & 25-Year Service Recognition event at Seaquam Secondary.

Trustee Kanakos reported the following:

- May 14 – attended the Hellings Unification Drill, where students experienced and navigated through a mock lockdown scenario.

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- May 20 – visited two liaison elementary schools, Richardson and Annieville.
- May 21 – attended the official sod turning at the Seaquam Track Groundbreaking event.
- May 21 – attended the retirement for former Cabinet Minister Carla Qualtraugh at the Harris Barn in Ladner.
- June 2 – attended the official opening of the Delta Secondary Track.
- June 11 – attended both session of the South Delta Awards ceremony.
- June 12 – attended the Delta School District Retirement & 25-Year Service Recognition event at Seaquam Secondary.
- He also advised that he intends to attend the North Delta Awards Banquet on June 19, and South Delta Graduation event on June 26.

Trustee Beard reported on the following:

- June 2 – attended the Indigo award presentation at Brooke Elementary and witnessed the school receive a \$35,000 award to improve their library.
- June 11 – attended the Delta Community College graduation ceremony.

Chair Muego reported on the following:

- May 21 – attended the official sod turning at the Seaquam Track Groundbreaking event.
- May 26 – attended and spoke on behalf of the Board at the City of Delta City Hall for the raising of the Pride Flag.
- May 28 – 30 – attended all five of his liaison schools (Delta Secondary, Beach Grove, Gibsons, McCloskey and Cougar Canyon).
- May 29 – attended, by zoom, a regular business meeting of Board Chairs.
- June 2 – attended and spoke on behalf of the Board at the ribbon cutting ceremony at Delta Secondary School for the newly opened track improvements.
- June 2 – attended the Indigo award presentation at Brooke Elementary and witnessed the school receive a \$35,000 award.
- June 3 – attended, by zoom, a meeting with Dr. Kristina Henriksson and Dr. June Francis from Colab to discuss Justice and Equity Action Plan in the context of hiring and HR practices.
- June 7 – attended the Reach Gala 2025, Once Upon a Time, to celebrate the work of Reach, Child and Youth Development Society.
- June 19 – attended the Annual Ceremonial Review for the 1867 Seaforth Highlanders.
- June 12 – attended and spoke at the annual District retirement and long service ceremony held at Seaquam Secondary.
- June 16 – attended the Delta Teachers Association's annual retirement function at Tsawwassen Springs.

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2026/2027 CAPITAL PLAN

Florencio de Dios, Director of Facilities & Planning, presented the projects contained in the 2026/2027 Capital Plan. The Capital Plan is due to the Ministry of Education by June 30, 2025, for Major Capital Projects, September 30, 2025, for Minor Capital Projects, and October 1, 2025, for Minor Capital – Food Infrastructure Programs.

M/S Trustee Gooch / Trustee Dhillon

**THAT** the Board of Education of School District No. 37 (Delta) approves the 2026/2027 Capital Plan as outlined in the attached summary.

**CARRIED**

2025/2026 ADULT SCHOOL CROSSING GUARD PROGRAM

Florencio de Dios, Director of Facilities & Planning reviewed the proposal for the 2025/2026 Adult School Crossing Program. The School District proposes to maintain the current number of thirty adult crossing guards at nineteen locations for the 2025/2026 school year. The total cost of \$122,635 for these services will be funded by the City out of the funds set aside each year for the program.

M/S Trustee Windsor / Trustee Beard

**THAT** the Delta Board of Education approves the 2025/2026 Adult School Crossing Guard Program as presented.

**CARRIED**

2025/2026 BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE

Jonathan Duffin, Assistant Secretary Treasurer, presented the Board with the 2025/2026 Board Meeting schedule. Board meetings will be scheduled as follows:

- September 23, 2025
- October 21, 2025
- November 4, 2025 – Inaugural Meeting
- December 9, 2025
- January 6, 2026
- February 17, 2026
- March 10, 2026
- April 7, 2026
- April 21, 2026
- April 28, 2026
- May 12, 2026
- June 16, 2026

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Jonathan also provided the Board with a previously discussed revision to Policy 7 – Board Operations that will result in Regular Board Meetings starting a half hour earlier, at 7:00 pm, commencing September 23, 2025.

M/S Trustee Gooch / Trustee Dhillon

THAT the Delta Board of Education approves the revision to the starting time of Regular Board Meetings, as presented, effective September 2025, in Policy 7 – Board Operations.

**CARRIED**

BOARD ANNUAL WORK PLAN

Jonathan Duffin, Assistant Secretary Treasurer, provided the Trustees with the revised Board Annual Work Plan (Policy 2 – Appendix A) for approval.

M/S Trustee Beard / Vice Chair Windsor

THAT the revised Board Annual Work Plan (Policy 2 – Appendix A) be approved as presented.

**CARRIED**

RE-APPOINTMENT OF PUBLIC AUDIT COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Joe Muego, Audit Committee Chair, and Board Chairperson reviewed the re-appointment of the district's public Audit Committee members. The proposal is that the Board of Education reappoint the public members for a further and final two-year term.

M/s Trustee Dhillon and Trustee Gooch

THAT the Board of Education re-appoints the public Audit Committee members for a further and final two-year term as presented.

**CARRIED**

2025/2026 STUDENT FEES

Brad Bauman, Assistant Superintendent, presented to the Trustees the 2025-2026 student fees for approval.

M/s Vice-Chair Windsor / Trustee Beard

THAT the Board of Education approve the student fees for 2025-2026 as presented.

**CARRIED**

Toward the conclusion of the meeting, the Board collectively expressed its appreciation for the contributions of outgoing Secretary-Treasurer Nicola Christ, recognizing her educational insight, leadership, and ability to identify and nurture talent. In recognition of her service, Nicola was presented with a handcrafted clay bowl made by Trustee Dhillon. In response, Nicola thanked the Board for their trust and support and expressed sincere appreciation for the opportunity to serve the district.

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DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

September 23, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

M/S Trustee Gooch / Trustee Dhillon

**THAT** the Delta Board of Education Regular Board meeting of June 17, 2025, be adjourned.

**CARRIED**

ADJOURNMENT: 9:19 p.m.

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Chairperson

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Secretary-Treasurer