

**THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT 68**  
**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

**January 26, 2022**

Trustees	C. McKay, Chair	G. Keller
	J. Stanley, Vice-Chair	B. Robinson
	T. Brzovic	C. O'Neill
	N. Bailey	E. Wilkinson
	S. Higginson	
Staff	S. Saywell, Superintendent/CEO	D. Burgos, Ex. Dir. of Communications
	M. Walsh, Secretary-Treasurer	K. Matthews, Manager Admin. Services
	T. Davie, Deputy Superintendent	

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm.

**2. OATH OF OFFICE**

Trustee Elect, Naomi Bailey affirmed the Oath of Office.

**3. TRANSFER OF ITEMS TO OPEN MEETING AGENDA**

There were none.

**4. ADDITIONS**

Presenter, Nancy Illes be added as Item 11.1

**5. DELETIONS**

There were no deletions.

**6. CHANGE IN ORDER**

There was no change in order.

**7. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

R22/01/26-01

That the Agenda be approved.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**8. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

R22/01/26-02

IT WAS MOVED BY Trustee Keller

IT WAS SECONDED BY Trustee Higginson

That the minutes from the Regular Board meeting held on December 15, 2021, be adopted.

Abstained: Trustees Stanley, O'Neill

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**9. SECTION 72(3) REPORT**

9.1 Section 72(3) Report

R22/01/26-03

IT WAS MOVED BY Trustee Higginson

IT WAS SECONDED BY Trustee Keller

That the Section 72(3) Report from the Closed Board meeting on December 15, 2021 and the Special Closed Board Meetings on January 5, 2022 and January 12, 2022, be received.

Abstained: Trustees Stanley, O'Neill

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**10. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REMINDERS**

Education Committee Meeting: February 2, 2022

Business Committee Meeting: February 9, 2022

Board of Education Meeting: February 23, 2022

Statutory Holiday: Family Day, February 21, 2022

Non-Instructional Days: February 7 and 8, 2022

**11. PRESENTATIONS**

11.1 Nancy Illes

Nancy Illes presented on the topic - Vaccine Mandate.

**12. CORRESPONDENCE**

12.1 Canadian Covid Care Alliance

Re: Call to Suspend the authorization of COVID-19

R22/01/26-04

IT WAS MOVED BY Trustee Higginson

IT WAS SECONDED BY Trustee Keller

That the Board of Education of School District No. 68 (Nanaimo-Ladysmith) refer the above correspondence from Canadian Covid Care Alliance be received and filed.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

12.2 V. Reid

Re: Safety Measures to Combat Aerosol Spread of COVID-19 in Schools

R22/01/26-05

IT WAS MOVED BY Trustee Wilkinson

IT WAS SECONDED BY Trustee Stanley

That the Board of Education of School District No. 68 (Nanaimo-Ladysmith) refer the above correspondence from V. Reid to the Board Chair for response.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

12.3 Regional District of Nanaimo

Re: Initiation of RSG Minor Amendment - 1329, 1333 and 1340 Kipp Road

Trustee Keller declared a conflict of interest and did not participate in the discussion and vote.

R22/01/26-06

IT WAS MOVED BY Trustee Higginson

IT WAS SECONDED BY Trustee Brzovic

That the Board of Education of School District No. 68 (Nanaimo-Ladysmith) refer the above correspondence from the Regional District of Nanaimo to staff for response.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

12.4 Regional District of Nanaimo

Re: Proposed Regional Growth Strategy Amendment for 2935 Trans Canada Hwy.

Trustee Keller declared a conflict of interest and did not participate in the discussion and vote.

R22/01/26-07

IT WAS MOVED BY Trustee Stanley

IT WAS SECONDED BY Trustee Wilkinson

That the Board of Education of School District No. 68 (Nanaimo-Ladysmith) refer the above correspondence from the Regional District of Nanaimo to staff for response.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

12.5 K. Iannidinardo

Re: Elementary School Safety

IT WAS MOVED BY Trustee Stanley

IT WAS SECONDED BY Trustee Higginson

That the Board of Education of School District No. 68 (Nanaimo-Ladysmith) refer the above correspondence from K. Iannidinardo to staff for response.

Motion withdrawn by Trustees Stanley and Higginson

R22/01/26-08

IT WAS MOVED BY Trustee Keller

IT WAS SECONDED BY Trustee Higginson

That the Board of Education of School District No. 68 (Nanaimo-Ladysmith) refer the correspondence from K. Iannidinardo to the February 2022 Business Committee Meeting.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**13. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

13.1 Business Committee

R22/01/26-09

IT WAS MOVED BY Trustee Keller

IT WAS SECONDED BY Trustee Stanley

That the Board of Education of School District No. 68 (Nanaimo-Ladysmith) amend the Objectives under the Board Goal "To be a leader in environmental stewardship and sustainability" by removing reference to establishing an environmental sustainability committee and adding the objective of creating an Environmental Stewardship Action Plan.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

13.2 Education Committee

R22/01/26-10

IT WAS MOVED BY Trustee Brzovic

IT WAS SECONDED BY Trustee Bailey

That the Board of Education of School District No. 68 (Nanaimo-Ladysmith) engage Policy 2.19 and assign an ad hoc Committee to rename Coal Tyee Elementary School.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

14. SENIOR STAFF REPORTS

14.1 Mark Walsh, Secretary-Treasurer

Re: School Site Acquisition Charge

Mark Walsh provided an update on the District's progress towards instituting a School Site Acquisition Charge with the Town of Ladysmith and the Cowichan Valley Regional District. An Information Sheet is attached to the Agenda.

R22/01/26-11

IT WAS MOVED BY Trustee Higginson

IT WAS SECONDED BY Trustee Stanley

That the Board of Education of School District No. 68 (Nanaimo-Ladysmith) approve the school site resolution for presentation to the Town of Ladysmith and Cowichan Valley Regional District, for a consultation period of not less than 60 days for final approval by Board By-law following the consultation period.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

14.2 Mark Walsh, Secretary-Treasurer

Re: Child Care Rental Rate Structure

Mark Walsh provided an outline of the District's initial plan on child care rental rate structures. An Information Sheet is attached to the Agenda.

R22/01/26-12

IT WAS MOVED BY Trustee Higginson

IT WAS SECONDED BY Trustee Stanley

That the Board of Education of School District No. 68 (Nanaimo-Ladysmith) write a letter of advocacy to the Ministry of Education to encourage Child Care Spaces be included as part of AFG calculations and allocations.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

R22/01/26-13

IT WAS MOVED BY Trustee Brzovic

IT WAS SECONDED BY Trustee O'Neill

That the Board of Education of School District No. 68 (Nanaimo-Ladysmith) direct staff to participate in the childcare survey.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

14.3 Scott Saywell, Superintendent

Re: Vaccine Mandate

Scott Saywell provided an outline on the District's new Administrative Procedure: Proof of Vaccination Regarding COVID-19. An Information Sheet and the new Administrative Procedure is attached to the Agenda.

**15. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

15.1 Chair McKay

Re: Draft Strategic Plan Policy

Chair McKay outlined the public consultation feedback on the Draft Strategic Plan Policy and outlined next steps. An Information Sheet, together with the draft Policy and consultation feedback is attached to the Agenda.

R22/01/26-14

IT WAS MOVED BY Trustee Keller

IT WAS SECONDED BY Trustee Stanley

That the Board of Education of School District No. 68 (Nanaimo-Ladysmith) adopt Policy 1.2 - Strategic Plan.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**16. NEW BUSINESS**

There was none.

**17. FOR INFORMATION**

17.1 Board Motions Report

Board Motions Report was received as information.

17.2 Trustee Committee Reports

Trustee Committee Reports were received as information.

17.3 Board Annual Work Plan

Board Annual Work Plan was received as information.

18. **QUESTION PERIOD**

Questions and answers from this evening's Question Period can be found [here](#).

19. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 7:22 pm.

R22/01/26-15

IT WAS MOVED BY Trustee Stanley

IT WAS SECONDED BY Trustee Keller

That the meeting be adjourned.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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Mark Walsh, Secretary-Treasurer

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Charlene McKay, Chair