Board Chair Report

Gary Wong stated that the district was proud of its partnerships and that engaging and collaborating with educational and community partners is one of the priorities of the district's strategic plan. Partnerships strengthen all that we do.

Mr. Wong described the recent Blessing Ceremony for a Coast Salish Storyboard at Alpha Secondary School, a project that had come together through the work of many partners. Later in the evening the meeting would hear about another partnership that had created the Burnaby Children's Charter.

It was moved by Jen Mezei and seconded by Larry Hayes:

THAT the Board of Education receive and approve the Board Chair Report, as presented.

Carried unanimously.

Superintendent's Report

The Burnaby Children's Charter

A children's charter helps schools, communities and organizations embed the principles of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child into their work. Sherri Brattston, Coordinator Community Services, Kamala Sproule, Early Childhood Development Table Community Coordinator and Taylor Morton, Program Officer, BC, Equitas International Centre for Human Rights, outlined the development of the Charter.

Correspondence

It was moved by Larry Hayes and seconded by Ryan Stewart:

THAT the letter from Melissa MacAdam, National President of The Duke Canada, outlining the benefits of the award, be received.

Carried unanimously.

Committee Reports

Buildings and Grounds Committee

It was moved by Larry Hayes and seconded by Christine Cunningham:

THAT the Buildings and Grounds Committee Report be received, and the recommendations contained therein be approved, as presented.

Carried unanimously.

Education Committee

It was moved by Peter Cech and seconded by Jen Mezei:

THAT the Education Committee Report be received, as presented.

Carried unanimously.

Policy Committee

It was moved by Jen Mezei and seconded by Peter Cech:

THAT the Policy Committee Report of the October 15 meeting be received, as presented.

Carried unanimously.

It was moved by Jen Mezei and seconded by Ryan Stewart:

THAT the Policy Committee Report of the November 18 meeting be received, and the recommendations contained therein be approved, as presented.

Carried unanimously.

Adjournment

It was moved by Bill Brassington and seconded by Larry Hayes:

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 8:27 pm.

Original signed

Carried unanimously.

Gary Wong Chair Russell Horswill, DBA Secretary-Treasurer