

Resources Committee Meeting Report

May 13, 2025

School Board Office

Present: Christine Lervold, Trustee (Committee Chair)
Russ Chipps, Trustee (Committee Member) Online via MS Teams
Allison Watson, Trustee (Committee Member)
Trudy Spiller, Trustee
Paul Block, Superintendent
Brian Jonker, Secretary-Treasurer
Monica Braniff, Deputy Superintendent
Corinne Kosik, SPVPA
Ed Berlando, STA
Tom Davis, SPEAC
Trudy Court, CUPE
David Lee-Bonar, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer
Mhairi Bennett, Director, Facilities
Nicole Gestwa, Network Analyst, Digital Solutions

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF FIRST NATIONS TERRITORIES

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m by the Committee Chair, who acknowledged that we are honoured to be meeting on the traditional territories of the Coast Salish, specifically Esquimalt Nation, Songhees Nation and acknowledge the three nation SD 62 works with directly in our schools; Scia'new Nation, Coast Salish, and T'Sou-ke Nation; including the West Coast Pacheedaht Nation Nuu-chah-nulth. (words gifted by the three Nations SD62 works with)

The Chair provided instruction to Trustees and attendees joining virtually on how to participate.

Trustee Lervold acknowledged SPEAC for the wonderful parent appreciation event held last night and Tom Davis for his leadership.

2. COMMITTEE REPORT

The Board of Education of Sooke School District 62 (Sooke) received the Resources Committee Report dated April 8, 2025, at its Public Board Meeting dated April 22, 2025.



3. PRESENTATIONS – no presentations

4. BUSINESS

4.1 2024/25 Q3 Forecast – David Lee-Bonar

The Assistant Secretary Treasurer outlined the assumptions made in the financial forecast for the third quarter. The changes since the second quarter were listed in Appendix A and enrollment numbers were listed in Appendix B. Questions were addressed about benefits usage and premiums.

4.2 2026/27 Capital Plan Submission – Mhairi Bennett

The Director of Facilities reviewed the Capital Plan Submission. Discussion ensued related to the capital plan and clarifications on opportunities with the Province to gain support. Options for the EMCS building envelope work were highlighted.

The Committee supported the following motion, going forward to the Board for consideration at its May 27, 2025 meeting:

Recommended Motion: That the Board of Education of School District 62 (Sooke) approve 2026/27 Capital Plan submission as presented to the Resources Committee on May 13, 2025.

4.3 2025/26 Budget Survey Summary and By-Law – Brian Jonker

The Secretary Treasurer provided an overview of the results of the Budget Survey that closed on May 6, 2025. Concerns were expressed about participants being identified and the low level of engagement.

The Committee supported the following motion going forward to the Board for consideration at its May 27, 2025 meeting:

Recommended Motion: That the Board of Education of School District 62 (Sooke) give first reading to the 2025/26 Annual Budget Bylaw, specifying a total of \$239,357,761.

5. ADJOURNMENT AND NEXT MEETING DATE: June 10, 2025

The meeting was adjourned at 7.31 p.m.

