



**REGULAR BOARD MEETING ADDENDA**

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2020  
6:00 PM  
via Zoom

**4. APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA**

- e. Receipt of Ministry News
- Students, staff supported by new Mental Health in Schools Strategy p 1-4

**11. ACTION ITEMS**

- d. **Capital Plan Bylaw 2020-2021-CPSD69-02 – Electric Bus** p 5

*Recommendations:*

**THAT** the Board of Education of School District 69 (Qualicum) approve all three readings of the School District No. 69 (Qualicum) Capital Plan Bylaw No. 2020/2021-CPSD69-02 at its Regular Board Meeting of September 22, 2020.

**THAT** the Board of Education of School District 69 (Qualicum) give first reading to adopt the School District No. 69 (Qualicum) Capital Plan Bylaw No. 2020/2021-CPSD69-02 at its Regular Board Meeting of September 22, 2020.

**THAT** the Board of Education of School District 69 (Qualicum) give second reading to adopt the School District No. 69 (Qualicum) Capital Plan Bylaw No. 2020/2021-CPSD69-02 at its Regular Board Meeting of September 22, 2020.

**THAT** the Board of Education of School District 69 (Qualicum) give third and final reading to adopt the School District No. 69 (Qualicum) Capital Project Bylaw No. 2020/2021-CPSD69-02 at its Regular Board Meeting of September 22, 2020.

**17. TRUSTEE ITEMS**

- a. **Attachment to Trustee Committee and Representative Appointments** p 6
- b. **Trustee Liaison Schools** p 7

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## NEWS RELEASE

For Immediate Release  
2020EDUC0053-001823  
Sept. 20, 2020

Ministry of Education  
Ministry of Mental Health and Addictions

### **Students, staff supported by new Mental Health in Schools Strategy**

VICTORIA – The mental health and well-being of B.C. students and staff are at the heart of a new Mental Health in Schools (MHIS) Strategy aimed at finding new and improved ways to support students who need help.

“Students deserve our support and compassion when they experience mental health challenges, and our schools play a crucial role in helping them,” said Rob Fleming, Minister of Education. “That’s why our government has made profound investments in school-based student mental health programs and why the new Mental Health in Schools Strategy is so important — so we can ensure kids can access support when they need it and feel safe and connected at school.”

Building on the ERASE and A Pathway to Hope initiatives, the new Mental Health in Schools Strategy embeds positive mental health and wellness programs and services for students in all aspects of the education system. This includes culture, leadership, curriculum and learning environments. The MHIS Strategy is the result of extensive research and collaboration between education and community partners.

“We know that when it comes to the health and well-being of young people, starting early and addressing small problems before they become big ones can make all the difference down the road,” said Judy Darcy, Minister of Mental Health and Addictions. “COVID-19 has impacted everyone in B.C., and our students deserve access to vital supports to help them thrive – now more than ever.”

Improving mental health in schools is an integral part of government’s plan to build the comprehensive system of mental health and addictions care that British Columbians deserve, as outlined in A Pathway to Hope. For the 2020-2021 school year, the government has invested \$3.75 million for new and existing mental health activities for students, families and educators. Since September 2017, the Province has committed to an investment of \$13.9 million in funding for school district mental health initiatives and grants spanning four years.

“Children and teens face social and emotional challenges that are even more complex during the pandemic,” said Katrine Conroy, Minister of Children and Family Development. “I am proud to work with the Ministry of Education to promote positive mental health and wellness. Together we are making life better for B.C.’s kids.”

People in British Columbia may be experiencing an increase in mental health and substance use challenges as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, especially those with pre-existing conditions. Help is available for people of all ages, and people are encouraged to seek support. To learn more about the new Mental Health in Schools Strategy, visit: [erase.gov.bc.ca](https://erase.gov.bc.ca)

**Learn More:**

For more information on the Province's enhanced mental health programs to support a safe return to school: <https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2020MMHA0049-001632>

To learn more about the Province's A Pathway to Hope initiative:  
[https://news.gov.bc.ca/files/BCMentalHealthRoadmap\\_2019.pdf](https://news.gov.bc.ca/files/BCMentalHealthRoadmap_2019.pdf)

For accurate, timely information about schools, programs and educational services, including regularly updated frequently asked questions in multiple languages: <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/education-training/k-12/covid-19-return-to-school>

To find free and low cost mental health supports during COVID-19:  
<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/health/managing-your-health/mental-health-substance-use/virtual-supports-covid-19>

Find out how Here2Talk connects students with mental health support when they need it:  
<https://here2talk.ca/home>

To find community-based mental health services for children, youth and families through the Ministry of Children and Family Development:  
<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/health/managing-your-health/mental-health-substance-use/child-teen-mental-health>

To find new trauma-informed practice resources for educators:  
<https://mytrainingbc.ca/traumainformedpractice/>

A backgrounder follows.

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## BACKGROUND

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Ministry of Education  
Ministry of Mental Health and Addictions

### Investments in mental health

Since September 2017, the Province has committed to an investment of \$13.9 million in funding for school district mental health initiatives and grants spanning four years. These include the following:

- \$2 million in extra funding for wellness programs announced on Sept. 2, 2020.
- \$8.87 million in funding over three years announced on Sept. 4, 2019, which includes grants for all 60 school districts and independent schools:
  - \$1.75 million for the 2020-21 school year.
  - \$2 million for the 2019-20 school year.
- \$3 million in funding for mental health supports announced on Feb. 4, 2019, which includes grants for all 60 school districts and independent schools:
  - \$2.2 million for the 2018-19 school year.
- In 2019-20, grants for schools supported new and enhanced existing mental health activities that included the following:
  - New Westminster SD40 created a Mental Health Literacy poster that is displayed in every classroom in the school district.
  - Okanagan-Similkameen SD53 implemented wellness clubs in all district secondary schools.
  - Gold Trail SD74 delivered a trauma-informed practice session to 25 staff members, as well as a trauma and resiliency workshop for 60 families/caregivers and community members.
  - Greater Victoria SD61 introduced the Second Step program for social emotional learning in all district elementary schools.
  - Vancouver Island West SD84 successfully planned and delivered a district-wide student mental health summit.
  - Surrey SD36 implemented an Aboriginal outreach worker for mental health support in the district.
  - FISA BC created the wellbeingbc.ca website, with a series of videos outlining mental health support strategies and their practical applications.
- In 2019-20, the Province enhanced the ERASE (Expect Respect and a Safe Education) strategy with a \$5.4 million investment to expand its focus to include mental health and wellness, substance use, social media and online safety, gang prevention, support for students of all sexual orientations and gender identities, and resources for educators of children and youth who have experienced traumatic events and early hardships.
- Since 2017, the Province has invested \$12.3 million in the ERASE strategy, creating resources for students, parents, educators and community partners in B.C.
- The Ministry of Education hosted two School Community Mental Health Conferences in 2018 and 2019, bringing together more than 500 representatives of B.C. public,

independent and First Nations schools, police, health authorities, and child and youth mental health workers, who are focused on making life better for students struggling with mental health challenges.

- In November 2019, students in grades 7 to 9 from around the province built mental health resiliency and developed skills to help them succeed in their life and career goals at the BC Lions Skills 4 Life Summit in Vancouver.
- The Ministry of Education has invested \$730,000 to fund a new provincial SOGI education lead and expand the annual provincial SOGI Education Summit. All of B.C.'s 60 school districts and independent schools have SOGI-inclusive codes of conduct in place and are part of the B.C. SOGI Educator Network, ensuring schools are safe and inclusive for students of all sexual orientations and gender identities.
- Since the COVID-19 pandemic began, the Ministry of Mental Health and Addictions has invested \$5 million to expand existing mental health programs and launch new services in response to the extraordinary situation.
  - For example, because of this investment, FoundryBC added online and call, text or chat support to its services, including counselling, peer support services and physical health care, so young people and families in all corners of the province can get the help they need when they need it.
- For the first time, B.C.'s Gay-Straight or Gender and Sexuality Alliance (GSA) meet-ups were held virtually, rather than in person, so students from the LGBTQ2S+ community, who may be feeling vulnerable and disconnected from their peers and schools, could join their friends online or over the phone.

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**CAPITAL BYLAW NO. 2020/21-CPSD69-02**  
**CAPITAL PLAN 2020-2021**

WHEREAS in accordance with section 142 of the *School Act*, the Board of Education of School District No. 69 (Qualicum) (hereinafter called the "Board") has submitted a capital plan to the Minister of Education (hereinafter called the "Minister") and the Minister has approved the capital plan or has approved a capital plan with modifications,

NOW THEREFORE in accordance with section 143 of the *School Act*, the Board has prepared this Capital Bylaw and agrees to do the following:

- (a) Authorize the Secretary-Treasurer to execute a capital project funding agreement(s) related to the capital project(s) contemplated by the capital plan or the capital plan with modifications;
- (b) Upon ministerial approval to proceed, commence the capital project(s) and proceed diligently and use its best efforts to complete each capital project substantially as directed by the Minister;
- (c) Observe and comply with any order, regulation, or policy of the Minister as may be applicable to the Board or the capital project(s); and,
- (d) Maintain proper books of account, and other information and documents with respect to the affairs of the capital project(s), as may be prescribed by the Minister.

NOW THEREFORE the Board enacts as follows:

- 1. The Capital Bylaw of the Board for the 2020/2021 Capital Plan as approved by the Minister, to include the supported capital project(s) specified in the letter addressed to the Secretary-Treasurer and Superintendent, dated September 16, 2020, is hereby adopted.
- 2. This Capital Bylaw may be cited as School District No. 69 (Qualicum) Capital Bylaw No. 2020/21-CPSD69-02.

READ A FIRST TIME THE 22<sup>nd</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2020;

READ A SECOND TIME THE 22<sup>nd</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2020;

READ A THIRD TIME, PASSED THE 22<sup>nd</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2020.

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Board Chair

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Secretary-Treasurer

I HEREBY CERTIFY this to be a true and original School District No. 69 (Qualicum) Capital Bylaw No. 2020/21-CPSD69-02 adopted by the Board the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of September 2020.

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Secretary-Treasurer

## Board Committee and Representative Appointments – 2020-2021

<b>External</b>	
BCSTA Provincial Council <i>Alternate</i>	Eve Flynn Julie Austin
BCPSEA Representative Council <i>Alternate</i>	Barry Kurland Laura Godfrey
Oceanside Building Learning Together Coalition <i>Alternate</i>	Elaine Young Julie Austin
Tribune Bay Outdoor Education Centre Society <i>Alternate</i>	Eve Flynn Julie Austin
<b>District Committees</b>	
Administration Budget Committee	All Trustees
Appeals	All Trustees
Audit Committee	All Trustees
BCPVPA (QDPVPA) Negotiations	<i>TBD as necessary</i>
CUPE Negotiations Committee	<i>TBD as necessary</i>
Curriculum Advisory Committee	Eve Flynn
<b>District Health &amp; Safety Committee</b> <i>Alternate</i>	<b>Eve Flynn</b> <b>Elaine Young</b>
District Scholarship Committee	<i>TBD yearly</i>
Education Committee of the Whole	All Trustees Laura Godfrey- Chair
Enhancing Student Learning Plans	All Trustees
Finance and Operations Committee of the Whole	All Trustees Eve Flynn - Chair
French Language Advisory Committee <i>Alternate</i>	Elaine Young <b>Eve Flynn</b>
Indigenous Education Services Committee	Laura Godfrey
Long Service/Retirement Committee	Elaine Young & Eve Flynn
MATA Grievances	Barry Kurland
MATA Negotiations Committee/Mid Contract Modifications	<i>TBD as necessary</i>
Policy Committee of the Whole	All Trustees Elaine Young - Chair

**SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 69 (QUALICUM)  
BOARD OF EDUCATION 2020-2021**

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