

## Conference Report: Annual General Meeting

The 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual General Meeting of the BC Public School Employers' Association (BCPSEA) was held on Friday, January 29, 2016 at the Coast Coal Harbour Hotel, 1180 West Hastings Street, Vancouver, BC.

This one-day event opened with reports from BCPSEA Public Administrator Michael Marchbank and CEO Renzo Del Negro, as well as greetings from BC School Trustees Association President Teresa Rezansoff.

During the business session, the assembly considered the 2014-2015 audited financial statements as well as the appointment of the auditors, and carried the following motion:

BE IT RESOLVED that KPMG be appointed auditors to the British Columbia Public School Employers' Association for the 2015-2016 fiscal year.

*Carried*

The members then moved into a Representative Council for review of the proposed 2016-2017 BCPSEA budget:

BE IT RESOLVED that the membership approve the proposed BCPSEA budget for April 1, 2016 through March 31, 2017 as presented.

*Carried*

The assembly moved back into the AGM business session with debate of the following proposed resolutions submitted by School District No. 42 (Maple Ridge-Pitt Meadows):

BE IT RESOLVED that the BC Public School Employers' Association members direct the BCPSEA Public Administrator to write a letter to the Minister of Finance requesting that the association be released from the direction of the Public Administrator and that the Trustee Directors be reinstated to the BCPSEA Board of Directors.

*Carried*

BE IT RESOLVED that the BC Public School Employers' Association members direct the BCPSEA Public Administrator to write a letter to the Minister of Education requesting that costs incurred by boards of education from the Economic Stability Dividend be fully funded for the duration of the Provincial Framework Agreement.

*Carried*

BE IT RESOLVED that the BC Public School Employers' Association members direct the BCPSEA Public Administrator to write a letter to the Minister of Education requesting that the Ministry respect local board autonomy and ensure that board of education implementation of the Attendance Support and Wellness Initiative project will be on a voluntary basis.

*Carried*

BCPSEA will report out to the sector when responses are received with respect to the letters referenced in the three resolutions.

The AGM program included updates from the Ministry of Education by Dave Byng, Deputy Minister of Education, and the Public Sector Employers' Council by Christina Zacharuk, President and CEO. Delegates also attended a panel presentation on the Performance Management Pilot Project with School District No. 69 (Qualicum), and a Shared Services Information Update with representatives from the Ministry of Education and the BC Education Marketplace.

A closing thank you was provided to all delegates for their engagement and participation in the day's events, and appreciation expressed for the members' support for the ongoing work of BCPSEA.