

School District No. 38 (Richmond)
7811 Granville Avenue, Richmond, BC V6Y 3E3 -

FINANCE & LEGAL COMMITTEE PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

Minutes of a **PUBLIC** meeting of the Finance & Legal Committee held via Zoom meeting, on Wednesday, June 15, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.

Present:

Donna Sargent, Chairperson
Ken Hamaguchi, Vice-Chairperson
Norman Goldstein, Trustee Member
Cindy Wang, Secretary Treasurer
Maria Fu, Assistant Secretary Treasurer
Liz Baverstock, President, Richmond Teachers' Association
Tim McCracken, 1st Vice President, Richmond Teachers' Association
Jason Leslie, Vice President, Richmond Association of School Administrators
Roger Corbin, Richmond Management and Professional Staff
Lynne Farquharson, Richmond Retired Teachers' Association
Hugo David Madeira, Vice President, Richmond District Parents Association
Dionne McFie, Past President, Richmond District Parents Association
Joyce Coronel, Executive Assistant (Recording Secretary)

Regrets:

Laura Buchanan, Executive Director, Human Resources

The Chairperson called the meeting to order at 10:01 am.

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was adopted as circulated.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the May 18, 2022 public meeting was approved as circulated.

3. HUMAN RESOURCES UPDATE

The Secretary Treasurer referred to the report from the Executive Director, Human Resources as included in the agenda package. She also informed the Committee about current recruitment challenges for carpentry staff.

The President, Richmond Teachers' Association commented on the lack of Teachers Teaching on Call (TTOCs) because there are simply not enough teachers in the province to hire. She also explained current retention challenges for teachers due to various factors.

The Vice President, Richmond Association of School Administrators shared the same sentiments and highlighted that exhaustion levels are high because of teacher shortages.

The Past President, Richmond District Parents Association echoed the same comments and mentioned the need for advocacy by all stakeholders about the lack of government support in the education system.

Following discussion, the President, Richmond Teachers' Association requested that Trustees write a letter to all employees at the end of the year in appreciation and recognition of their hard work. Trustee Sargent noted this request and offered to pass this along to the Board Chairperson.

4. MINUTES FOR INFORMATION

(a) Cambie Coordinating Committee Meeting

Draft Minutes of Meeting held May 18, 2022 were attached for information.

5. NEXT MEETING DATE – WEDNESDAY September 14, 2022 at 10:00 am

6. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:32 am.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Donna Sargent, Chairperson
Finance & Legal Committee*