

Facilities and Building Committee

Public Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, February 1, 2023 - 4:30 pm
Via Zoom

Present:

Chairperson	K. Hamaguchi
Vice-Chairperson	D. Tablotney*
Trustee Member	H. Larson
Trustee Alternate	A. Wong
Trustee	R. Belleza
Secretary Treasurer	C. Wang
Executive Director, Facilities Services/Richmond Project Team	F. Geyer
President, Richmond Teachers' Association	L. Baverstock
Representative, Richmond Management and Professional Staff	J. Canlas
President, Richmond Association of School Administrators	M. Murray
President, Richmond District Parents Association	A. Scallion
Past President, Richmond District Parents Association	D. McFie
Executive Assistant (Recording Secretary)	J. Coronel

*Present for a portion of the meeting

The meeting was called to order at 4:32 pm.

The Richmond Board of Education acknowledged and thanked the First Peoples of the hən̓q̓əmi̓ñəm language group on whose traditional and unceded territories we teach, learn and live.

1. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was adopted as circulated.

2. Approval of Minutes

Minutes from the January 4, 2023 meeting was approved as circulated.

3. Facilities Planning Update (standing item)

The Executive Director, Facilities Services/Richmond Project Team spoke to his report as included in the agenda package. He then responded to trustees' questions on portables and childcare.

The President of Richmond Teachers' Association urged trustees to engage in advocacy work to address City Centre enrolment growth and explore funding opportunities for portables and a new elementary school at the City Centre.

The Committee Vice Chairperson joined the meeting at 4:54 pm.

4. Capital Projects Update (standing item)

The Executive Director, Facilities Services/ Richmond Project Team provided the following highlights from his report as included in the agenda package:

- James Whiteside Elementary Enhanced Seismic Upgrade
- William Bridge Elementary Seismic Upgrade
- Classroom Ventilation Program
- SD38 Plumbing Upgrade Program

He then responded to Trustee Belleza's questions on funding and cost of major capital projects.

5. Facilities Services Update (standing item)

The Executive Director, Facilities Services/Richmond Project Team referred to his report as included in the agenda package. The President of Richmond Teachers' Association expressed her appreciation for the hiring of additional pest control staff and suggested to consider pest control support in the amended budget or next year's budget. She also mentioned that Richmond Teachers' Association will continue to help send reminders to teachers to keep exterior doors closed.

Trustees thanked the Executive Director, Facilities Services/Richmond Project Team for his team's efforts to address rodent issues in schools.

6. Minutes for Information

(a) CHILD CARE DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Minutes of Meeting held December 7, 2022 were attached for information.

7. Next Meeting Date – Wednesday, March 1, 2023 at 4:30 pm

The Chairperson informed the Committee that future meetings will be on zoom based on the survey results. An in-person meeting may be called towards the end of the year.

8. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:33 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Ken Hamaguchi
Chairperson, Facilities and Building Committee*