

Facilities and Building Committee Public Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, May 1, 2024 - 4:30 pm
Via Zoom

Present:

Chairperson	K. Hamaguchi
Vice Chairperson	D. Tablotney*
Trustee Member	H. Larson
Trustee	A. Wong
Superintendent of Schools	C. Usih
Deputy Superintendent	R. Ryan
Director, Richmond Project Team	S. Ahluwalia
Director, Facilities Services	K. Wilkins
President, Richmond Teachers' Association	L. Baverstock
3rd Vice President/Pro-D Chair, Richmond Teachers' Association	J. Cho
President, Canadian Union of Public Employees Local 716	S. Robinson
Representative, Richmond Management and Professional Staff	J. Canlas
Vice President, Richmond Association of School Administrators	A. Goulas*
Executive Assistant (Recording Secretary)	T. Lee

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 pm.

The Richmond Board of Education acknowledged and thanked the First Peoples of the hə́nq̓əmiñə́m 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 April 3, 2024 meeting was approved as circulated.

Trustee Tablotney joined the meeting at 4:34 pm.

3. Facilities Planning Update (standing item)

The Director, Richmond Project Team noted there were no further updates to his report, which is included in the agenda package. He then responded to a trustee's question about the implication of the Provincial Government's new housing legislation.

Following a question from the President, Richmond Teachers' Association, the Director, Richmond Project Team outlined the timeline and process for amending the City of Richmond's Official

Community Plan.

4. Capital Projects Update (standing item)

The Director, Richmond Project Team noted there were no further updates to his report, which is included in the agenda package.

He then responded to the President, Richmond Teachers' Association's question on the progress of the Cook and Brighthouse Elementary building additions.

Following questions from trustees, the Director, Richmond Project Team provided an update on the progress of the seismic upgrade project at Diefenbaker Elementary and details regarding the assembly and finishing procedures for modular buildings.

5. Facilities Services Update (standing item)

The Director, Facilities Services spoke to his report as included in the agenda package and emphasized the significance of the district's achievement in returning to pre-pandemic emission levels.

He then responded to questions from the President, Richmond Teachers' Association about air sourced heat pumps replacements, and the projects listed in the 2024/25 Facilities Renewal Program including security system renewal, and the room renumbering program.

The Director, Facilities Services then responded to trustees' questions on playground inspections and replacements. Discussion then ensued regarding the accessibility of playgrounds and an update on the District Accessibility Plan.

The Director, Richmond Project Team then responded to a trustee's question on modular classrooms and childcare facilities.

6. Minutes for Information

(a) Child Care Development Advisory Committee Meeting

Minutes of Meeting held March 6, 2024 were attached for information.

7. Next Meeting Date – June 5, 2024 at 4:30 pm

8. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:03 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Ken Hamaguchi
Chairperson, Facilities and Building Committee*