Board of Education

Public Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, March 13, 2024 7:00 pm 1st Floor Boardroom and via Zoom

Present:	
Chairperson	H. Larson
Vice Chairperson	K. Hamaguchi
Trustee	R Belleza
Trustee	D. Sargent
Trustee	D. Tablotney
Trustee	D. Yang
Superintendent of Schools	C. Usih
Deputy Superintendent	R. Ryan
Secretary Treasurer	C. Wang
Assistant Superintendent	J. MacMillan
Assistant Superintendent	M. Naser
Assistant Superintendent	C. Stanger
Executive Director, Learning and Business Technologies	R. Laing
Director, Communications & Marketing	D. Sadler
Executive Assistant (Recording Secretary)	T. Lee
Regrets:	
Trustee	A. Wong

The Chairperson called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

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

1. Recognition

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(a) Recognition of Visitors

The Chairperson welcomed the gallery to the meeting.

(b) Announcements

Trustee Hamaguchi: Earth Day is an annual event on April 22 to demonstrate support for environmental protection. First held on April 22, 1970, it now includes a wide range of events event focused on promoting a healthy, sustainable habitat for all. The official theme for 2024 is Planet vs Plastics, focusing on reducing plastic use and calling for a 60% reduction in the

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- 7. Business Arising from Prior Minutes
 - (a) Preliminary 2024/25 Annual Budget
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3. Gordon Fitt, President, Richmond Association of School Administrators (RASA)

Mr. Fitt appreciated the opportunity to provide

budget, noting the concerns of the impact of City Centre enrolment pressures and the persistent issue of daily and systemic staffing shortages. He appreciated the focus of the budget proposals on inspired learners and to provide critical support for the system will enable school leaders to concentrate on delivering the best possible educational experiences for our students.

budgetary implications for

his concerns.

Trustees thanked the partner group presidents for their briefs and the Secretary Treasurer then responded to questions from trustees regarding the budget proposal.

The Superintendent turned the Chair over to Trustee Larson. Trustee Larson assumed the Chair.

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10. Standing Committee Reports

(a) Audit Committee

Chairperson: David Yang Vice Chairperson: Alice Wong

A meeting was held on Tuesday, March 5, 2024. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 14, 2024.024