

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE
Reporting to Public Session, Tuesday, February 26, 2013

The Buildings and Grounds Committee met on Tuesday, January 19, 2013 at 5:10 pm. In attendance were: Trustees James Wang (Chair), Meiling Chia and Larry Hayes; DPAC Representative Janet Reid; Secretary-Treasurer Greg Frank and Director of Facilities Services Russ Sales.

1. Capital Projects Update

The committee reviewed the Capital Projects Update report. The report included details on the capital projects currently in various stages of construction and planning within the district. Highlights include:

Alpha Secondary Seismic Upgrade

- Ministry funding and project approval pending
- Seismic Project Identification Draft Report completed and distributed for peer review and quantity surveyor costing
- Project Identification Report under development
- District is requesting partial school replacement as part of seismic project

Burnaby Central Secondary School – Replacement Project

- Construction value \$50 million – school construction project complete
- City of Burnaby partnership in track, field and related facilities
- City contractor working on Rubberized track surface to be installed in 2013
- City of Burnaby track to be completed in 2013

Gilmore Community Elementary School – Seismic Upgrade

- Construction value \$13 million
- District review of project scope and Ministry of Education funding in process
- Centre Block East has been re-occupied by school
- Exterior brickwork underway
- Target project completion date – spring 2013

Recommendation: THAT the Board of Education receive this information.

2. Adult Crossing Guards

Secretary-Treasurer Greg Frank reviewed with the committee background on the adult crossing guard program. The allocation of adult crossing guards is based on a priority rating system developed by the City of Burnaby and no longer fully meets the needs of the district. The program currently provides adult crossing guards at 26 sites and has been funded by the City since September 1998. The City's funding was originally established to cover the full cost of the program at \$205,000 and has not increased since; as a result of increased costs the program is now subsidized by the district's operating budget. The funding shortfall absorbed by the district's operating budget for the 2011/2012 school year was \$31,432. The addition of a new adult crossing guard location would further increase the funding shortfall or would require the removal of an adult crossing guard from an existing location.

Trustees discussed the issue in detail and directed staff to open a dialogue with the City of Burnaby on the adult crossing guard program and to bring a report to a future meeting.

Recommendation: THAT the Board of Education receive this information.

3. School Projects

Director of Facilities Services Russ Sales updated the committee on two projects being planned in district schools.

Byrne Creek Community School

The Parent Advisory Council ("PAC") of Byrne Creek Community School is proposing the installation of benches on school grounds and is inviting community members to sponsor a bench for \$500. The PAC anticipates the project will result in the installation of five benches on the school site.

The Committee discussed the PAC's request to have the district fund and sponsor a bench. The Committee agreed the district will continue to support projects like this with assistance for installation, planning and procurement, but not direct participation with sponsorship of benches.

Recommendation: THAT the Board of Education receive this information.

Lyndhurst Elementary School

Lyndhurst PAC Chair Dave Dye presented a proposal for installation of a community garden at the school. Mr. Sales reported the PAC is working collaboratively with the

school and district on the planning for the project. The committee discussed the proposal in detail and agreed the project be approved.

Recommendation: THAT the Board receive this information and approve the installation of a community garden at Lyndhurst Elementary School, as presented.

4. Next Meeting

The next Buildings and Grounds Committee meeting will be held at 5:00 pm on Tuesday, April 16.

5. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.