

**BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE**  
**Reporting to Public Session, Tuesday, September 27, 2011**

The Buildings and Grounds Committee met on Tuesday, September 20, 2011 at 6:20 pm. In attendance were: Trustees James Wang (Chair), Larry Hayes and Diana Mumford; Secretary-Treasurer Greg Frank, Manager of Capital Projects Russ Sales and Facility Services Manager Tim Millar.

**1. Capital Projects Update**

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

**Brantford Elementary School – Addition and Seismic Upgrade**

- Construction value \$9 million
- New addition opened September 7, 2010
- Seismic upgrade of existing building – complete

**Burnaby Central Secondary School – Replacement Project**

- Construction value \$50 million
- City of Burnaby partnership in track, field and related facilities
- Theatre/dance studio - to be completed for occupancy in October
- School opened September 2011 (Phase 1)
- Starting asbestos abatement and demolition of old facility
- Target substantial completion date – spring 2012

**Cariboo Hill Secondary School – Seismic Upgrade**

- Construction value \$10.6 million
- Project complete

**Gilmore Community Elementary School – Seismic Upgrade**

- Construction value \$13 million
- North wing and gym occupied
- South wing – exterior brick work to commence in October
- Target project completion date - summer 2012

### **Modular Classrooms – Full-Day Kindergarten**

- Construction value \$1.7 million
- All units are installed and have received provisional occupancy
- Deficiencies to be completed this fall

### **Taylor Park Elementary School – Full-Day Kindergarten Addition**

- Construction value \$4.5 million
- Eleven classroom addition
- Painting/flooring underway
- Target substantial completion date – October 2011

### **University Highlands Elementary School – New School**

- Construction value \$9 million
- Project complete
- Deficiencies being resolved

### **Portable Pod Relocation (Adult Education) – Windsor Elementary School**

- Relocation of portable pod from Burnaby South Secondary School to Windsor Elementary School
- Relocation value \$250,000
- Site works value \$400,000
- Partial occupancy - September 16, 2011
- Target complete date - November, 2011

Recommendation: THAT the Board of Education receive this information.

## **2. Update, Burnaby Central Capital Project**

The committee received a detailed update on the Burnaby Central Secondary School: Highlights include:

- Phase 1, including the construction of the main classroom block less the gymnasium block, the Deer Lake Parkway frontage modifications, including the minor road realignment, traffic light modifications, new street lighting, new school drop-off loop, new urban trail and landscaping and the completion of the grass rugby field along the south side of the site is complete.

- Realignment of the class B stream and redevelopment of a portion of the riparian area along the west side of the site is complete.
- The new classroom block, less the drama and dance area, has been occupied for the start of classes. The drama and dance area will be completed by the end of October.
- Work continues on minor deficiencies and on the adjustments to the mechanical systems typical of the occupancy of a new school.
- Phase 2 is underway. This includes the demolition of the old school less the gymnasium and administration block, construction of the new gym block and construction of retaining walls and preparation of the base for the new track and field area and completion of the redevelopment of the riparian zone. The old school building will be systematically deconstructed and the various types of material will be sorted and removed from the site in accordance with appropriate procedures. The concrete components will be crushed on site and used for fill material for the field and parking area.
- Phase 3 will comprise the demolition of the old gym block and construction of the new parking lot in the area of the old gym. Foundations for the new gym will be constructed in November and occupancy of the gym will be in spring 2012.
- The rugby field has been completed but it has not been allocated for use to allow the turf to develop fully. The field will be available for use in spring 2012.
- Temporary staff parking for over 100 vehicles has been established on a portion of the new track and field area which has been graded and compacted. Temporary pedestrian access has also been provided from the west side of the site to the new school.

Recommendation: THAT the Board of Education receive this information.

### **3. Proposed Rezoning on Dow Avenue**

The committee reviewed a report from the City Manager to the Director of Planning and Building concerning an application for rezoning on Dow Avenue to permit the construction of a high-rise apartment tower with street-fronting townhouses on Dow Avenue. The committee also reviewed email correspondence from concerned residents of Dow Avenue and the district's enrolment projects for Maywood Community School and the Kingsway South zone.

The committee discussed the district's involvement in the City's planning process and agreed to recommend a letter be written to the City of Burnaby requesting the City and district explore options to strengthen the district's input in development planning.

Recommendation: THAT the Board of Education receive this information and that a letter be written to the City of Burnaby requesting options be considered for strengthening school district input in development planning.

#### **4. EcoMedia Containers**

The Facilities Services Department is proposing the use of EcoMedia “SilverBox” recycling bins on school district property similar to the new program recently initiated by the City of Burnaby. The committee discussed the proposal and requested staff research more detail on the advertising to be included on the bins and the potential contract terms with EcoMedia and to bring this information to the next committee meeting.

Recommendation: THAT the Board of Education receive this information.

#### **5. Food Waste Management**

The committee reviewed a pilot program to be implemented by the Facility Services Department to initiate a food scrap waste management program in conjunction with the City of Burnaby. The pilot project will involve nine schools: Burnaby Mountain, Burnaby South and Byrne Creek secondary schools and Clinton, Second Street, Stride Avenue, Marlborough, Brentwood Park and Chaffey-Burke elementary schools. The pilot will run from October, 2011 to June, 2012 and additional schools may be added mid-way through the program.

Recommendation: THAT the Board of Education receive this information.

#### **6. Vandalism**

The committee received a report on vandalism in the district for the 2010/2011 school year. The committee also reviewed anti-graffiti posters that are proposed for installation at Burnaby South and Byrne Creek secondary schools and a poster that is proposed for installation in all secondary school bathrooms.

Overall, incidents of vandalism and the associated costs have declined compared to prior years. However, vandalism continues to be an area of focus for the district. The committee discussed the report in detail and indicated the information should be shared with parents through DPAC.

Recommendation: THAT the Board of Education receive this information.

## **7. Playground Grants**

The committee reviewed the Ministry of Education's September 2 News Release on funding for school playgrounds. The first phase of the program targeted funds to schools with no playgrounds. The second phase will reimburse up to \$50,000 for new playgrounds installed since January 1, 2011. The final phase will provide funding for playground replacements. The district has provided the Ministry of Education with detailed information on playgrounds in the district. The district has not received details on the timing or specific projects to be funded in Phase 2 or 3 of the program but will continue to work with the Ministry as the program progresses.

Recommendation: THAT the Board of Education receive this information.

## **8. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm.