

## MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE FINANCE & FACILITIES COMMITTEE

**Tuesday, March 7, 2023**

**MS Teams – 8:30 am**

**Present:** D. Stevenson, Trustee (in the Chair); L. Block, Trustee; S. Nosek, Deputy Superintendent; J. Leiterman, Secretary Treasurer; S. Mascoe, Executive Director of Human Resources; K. Johnson, Assistant Secretary Treasurer; F. De Dios, Director of Facilities; D. Eliasov, Manager of Facilities; M. Son, Manager of Purchasing & Transportation

**Stakeholder Representation:**

S. Capier, S. Price (WVTA); M. Finch (WVAA); K. Richter (DPAC); C. Fota; P. Van Rhyn (WVMEA)

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| 1.  | <p><b><u>Facilities Staffing Update</u></b></p> <p>Secretary-Treasurer Leiterman announced the departure of our Director of Facilities, Florencio De Dios, who has accepted the position of Director of Facilities at Capilano University. While an exciting career move for De Dios, West Vancouver Schools is regretfully losing a valued member of its team. Secretary-Treasurer Leiterman praised his remarkable communication skills and determination to accomplish the tasks of the Facilities Department.</p>   |
| 2 . | <p><b><u>Annual Facilities Grant</u></b></p> <p>The Ministry of Education and Child Care announced that the Annual Facilities Grant will be increased, which is excellent news since it has not kept pace with inflation to date. Secretary--Treasurer Leiterman will give more details at the April Board meeting following further announcements from the MOECC on March 15, 2023. Director of Facilities De Dios and his team are busy preparing the slate of projects to present to the board in April. The Annual Facilities Grant needs to be approved by the board and filed with the MOECC by April 30.</p>   |
| 3.  | <p><b><u>Snow Clearing Update</u></b></p> <p>Director of Facilities De Dios reported on snow clearing activities during the recent storms, noting that the district has snow clearing plans for each school that identify areas needing to be cleared by order of priority (such as parking lots, drop off zone, and school entrances). Schools at a higher elevation are given priority over sea-level schools.</p> <p>When snow is forecasted, members of the Facilities teams will park their snowplow trucks lower down on Cypress Bowl Road so that they can clear the route to the Facilities yard, allowing other team members to drive their trucks to school sites.</p> <p>Sentinel Secondary extended a big thank you to the Facilities team for their hard work in clearing the snow following the February snow event that led to school closures. Their efforts made it possible for students and staff to arrive safely the next day.</p> |

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| 4. | <p><b><u>Lead in Water Reporting</u></b></p> <p>Director of Facilities De Dios shared data from our Lead in Water Report filed with the MOECC. West Vancouver Schools' levels at all sites are lower than the Maximum Acceptable Concentration (MAC) of 0.005.</p> |
| 5. | <p><b><u>Waste Removal Contract</u></b></p> <p>Secretary-Treasurer Leiterman announced that the district is transitioning to "Growing City" for its waste removal services due to numerous missed collections with the existing provider.</p>                      |
| 6. | <p><b>Adjourn</b></p> <p>8:51am</p>  |

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**Julia Leiterman, Secretary Treasurer**

**Committee Members: Dave Stevenson, Lynne Block**