

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE FINANCE AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

LOCATION: Online

DATE: May 12, 2026

TIME: 8:30 am – 9:15 am

Present: D. Stevenson, Trustee (in the Chair); F. Zhu, Trustee; J. Leiterman, Secretary-Treasurer; R. Street, Director of Facilities; C. Kennedy, Superintendent; L. Hill, Deputy Superintendent; K. Johnson, Director of Finance; S. Duffield, Manager of Finance; S. Mascoe, Executive Director of HR; T. Buckley, Manager of Communication and Engagement

Stakeholder Representation:

C. Fota, P. Van Rhyn (WVMEA); C. Wigley, (WVTA); T. Kolkea (WVAA); M. Yang (DPAC Exec)

1) **EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION CENTRE CONSTRUCTION UPDATE**

Director of Facilities, Russell Street, provided an update on the Early Childhood Education Centre, noting the project is nearing completion, with landscaping and playground areas largely finished and only minor deficiencies remaining. The building is ready for occupancy, with final inspections and approvals underway, and an occupancy permit anticipated shortly to support licensing and opening in the coming weeks.

It was noted that some exterior landscaping is delayed due to regional watering restrictions, and the project budget is being managed through contingency with ongoing review of potential GST rebates. Pending receipt of the occupancy permit, the project is on track for opening June 01.

2) **2026/2027 ANNUAL FACILITIES GRANT (AFG) SLATE**

A review of the upcoming project slate funded through the annual facilities grant, noting an increase in available funding and a focus on prioritizing fewer, higher-value projects, was shared. The plan includes a range of maintenance, renewal, and upgrade work across the district, with flexibility to adjust as needs arise throughout the year.

Work is focused on sustaining and improving school infrastructure, supporting accessibility, and addressing aging systems, with contingency maintained to respond to emerging priorities.

Adjourn: 8:54 am