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■ Anita Ansari, Chair
Dee Beattie, Trustee
Danielle Connelly, Trustee
Gurveen Dhaliwal, Vice-Chair
Mark Gifford, Trustee
Maya Russell, Trustee

Karim Hachlaf, Superintendent
Bettina Ketcham, Secretary-Treasurer
Robert Weston, Executive Director, Human Resources
Caroline Manders, Recording Secretary
Guests:
Stephen Inniss, District Vice Principal, Pearson Adult Learning Centre
Marcel Marsolais, President, CUPE Local 409
Maureen McRae-Stanger, Director, Instruction, Learning & Innovations
Ken Millard, President, New Westminster Principals' and Vice Principals' Association
Eric Young, President, New Westminster Teachers' Union

■ Mary Lalji, Trustee
Maryam Naser, Associate Superintendent

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The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:10pm.

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a. Superintendent Update

Superintendent Hachlaf provided highlights of his March report:

- Qayqayt Elementary:
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Teacher needs:

- Improve class size and composition.
- Resource/learning support for teachers – more preparation time.
- Educational AS 20.055 (c) 14 (w 1) 17333 (R) 040 (e) 5633 (e) 234 (C) 56 (e) 170

Strategic Priority #2 - Build Meaningful Relationships

- Families have opportunities to engage with the educational system to develop trusting relationships.
- Students are connected in a welcoming and inclusive learning community:
 - NWSS Welcoming Centre/Wellness Centre.
 - Improve and provide seamless transitions into elementary, middle and secondary school.
- Staff are valued and appreciated:
 - Recognize staff as mentors, facilitators, coaches, leaders in education, and as vital contributors to the students learning experiences.
 - Principals and Vice Principals have been trained as to how to conduct positive reviews; Unions will be engaged in discussion and anticipate to put in place support systems by fall.

Strategic Priority #3 - Lead into Our Future

- Commitment to truth and reconciliation guides and informs our work in the district.
- Maintain financial accountability, transparency and stability:
 - Ensure a transparent and consultative budget process, which aligns with strategic priorities and objectives.
 - Budget process and documents are all available online.
 - Attract, recruit and retain staff.
- Develop an environmental strategy and climate action plan and provide leadership in environmental education:
 - Recent seismic enhancements to existing schools is LEED Certified.
 - School enhancement programs help to reduce carbon footprint.
 - Digitizing documents will reduce necessity to print material.
 - Climate Action Plan will be developed and presented in September 2020.
 - Land acquisitions for future growth.

Strategic Priority #4 - Ensure full participation in learning

- Sustain ongoing commitment to address food security and healthy eating to ensure high quality food programs:
 - Superintendent Hachlaf acknowledged the feedback received regarding the School Nutrition Program; District is committed to finding solutions; School Nourishment Coordinator to be confirmed soon.
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e. Capital Bylaw No. 2020/21 - CPSD40-01

Secretary-Treasurer announced the School Enhancement Program Upgrades. Most work will take place over the summer. Capital Projects have to be completed by March 31, 2021. The District was also approved to begin planning the next stages of the Queen Elizabeth Elementary School expansion. A Project Definition Report will be submitted in draft by October 2020 to the Ministry of Education. Due to the upcoming NWSS move, it was necessary to allocate \$1M of surplus for NWSS furniture and equipment.

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THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 40 (New Westminster) complete all three readings of Capital Plan Bylaw No. 2020/21 -CPSD40-01.

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THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 40 (New Westminster) approve first and second reading of Capital Plan Bylaw No. 2020/21 -CPSD40-01.

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THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 40 (New Westminster) approve third reading, reconsideration and final adoption of Capital Plan Bylaw No. 2020/21-CPSD40 -01.

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THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 40 (New Westminster) transfer \$1,000,000 of surplus to local capital and approve expenditure of these amounts for the investment of furniture and equipment related to New Westminster Secondary School.

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a. BCSTA Substantive Motion

Trustee Gifford explained that the motion arose as a result of a staff presentation at the February 11, 2020 Open Operations Policy and Planning Committee meeting. Unfortunately, the motion was submitted after the deadline and BCSTA felt it did not meet their standard for reconsideration.

If the Board so wishes, the BCSTA motion can be challenged at the AGM. BCSTA would require notification by April 6.

The Trustees provided highlights of events they attended in February/March.

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The public was given the opportunity to ask questions on matters that arose during the meeting.

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Tuesday, April 14, 2020: Education Policy & Planning Committee, 6:00pm - New Westminster Secondary School, 835 Eighth Street

Tuesday, April 21, 2020: Operations Policy & Planning Committee, 7:00pm - School Board Office

Wednesday, April 22, 2020: District Volunteer Appreciation Event, 7:00pm -
Lord Kelvin Elementary School, 1010 Hamilton Street

Tuesday, April 28, 2020: School Board Meeting, 7:00pm - School Board Office

Reminder: National Day of Mourning, April 28, 2020

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a. Record of In-Camera February 25, 2020 Board Meeting

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The meeting adjourn at 9:18pm.

Chair

Secretary-Treasurer