

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 78 (FRASER-CASCADE)
OPERATIONS & FACILITIES COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
May 7, 2024**

PRESENT:

Board Representatives:

Andrea Hensen	Trustee	Committee Chair
Pattie Desjardins	Trustee	Committee Member
Wendy Clark	Trustee	Non-Voting Observer
Heather Stewin	Trustee	Non-Voting Observer

Committee Representatives:

Karl Koslowsky	Principal	FCPVPA
Lynne Marvell	Union President	FCTA
Diana Stromquist		IEC

District Staff:

Balan Moorthy	Superintendent
Gerry Slykhuis	Secretary Treasurer
Renge Bailie	Assistant Superintendent
Doug Templeton	Director of Facilities & Transportation
Crystal Medlock	Executive Secretary

Regrets:

Shane Wiseman	Principal	FCPVPA
Jan Morris	Union President	CMAW
Anders Lunde	Teacher	FCTA

1. Call to Order and Acknowledgement of Indigenous Territory

The meeting was called to order by Trustee Andrea Hensen at 4:31 p.m. via Zoom video conference. The meeting was opened by acknowledging that the meeting was being held on the traditional, ancestral and unceded shared territory of the Xwchíyò;m, Sts'ailes, Sq'éwlets, Sq'éwqel, Shxw'ōwhámél, Sqewá;lxw, nfe?kepmxúym'x^w, and Chawathil people.

2. Approval of Agenda

DESJARDINS/TEMPLETON

THAT the agenda of the Operations and Facilities Committee meeting for **May 7, 2024**, be approved as amended - with additional topics:

7. Electric Bus
8. Potential ICY Spaces

CARRIED

3. Approval of Previous Minutes – February 6, 2024

TEMPLETON/STROMQUIST

THAT the minutes of the Operations and Facilities Committee meeting held on **February 6, 2024**, be approved as presented.

CARRIED

4. Approved Capital Requests for 2024/2025

- **Roofing Kent Elementary** – scheduled completion - Summer 2024
- **Playground Upgrade BBESS** – scheduled completion - August 2024
- **Biomass Boiler BBESS** – This new system will burn wood pellets and eliminate the use of propane at the school, reducing operating costs and eliminating our carbon footprint. Propane will then only be used as a backup for power outages. The plan is to include a backup generator as well.

5. Annual Facility Grant (AFG)

2024/2025 HSS

- Accessible Upgrades – Exterior Doors, Fire Alarm, Door Handles
- Washroom Renovation – gender-neutral washrooms on one side of the school
- Lunch Room Renovation – to make it easier to serve food to students
- Additional Security Cameras
- Science Room Acid Drain Renewal
- Asbestos Removal T-bar tiles
- 2 A&R Handler Motor Renewal VFD High Efficiency
- Painting – Library, Halls, Outside Rm 16 doors
- Rm 8 Cupboards and Lockers
- Renewal Basketball Shot Clocks
- PA System Upgrade
- Field Repairs & Soccer Goals

2024/2025 SBO

- Roof
- Sign Renewal
- Stand-by Power (already complete)
- Major Renovations
- Accessibility Upgrades – FA, Entrance Doors, Door Handles
- Parking Lot upgrade in November – Migratory Bird Laws don't allow for tree removal between February and November.

AESS

- AESS blacktop renewal/upgrades

6. **Daycare Proposals (Drafts - M3 Architects)** – We anticipate hearing from the Ministry of Education and Childcare soon about this proposal.
7. **New Electric Pusher Bus** – The Electric Pusher Bus has been shipped and is almost here; the charging system has been tested and is approved for use when the bus arrives.
8. **Potential ICY Spaces** – By September we may have a team of 8-10 people without a space for meeting and working with students and families. Doug is looking into the possibility of renovating the Agassiz Maintenance Building to accommodate offices, a kitchen and washrooms. In Doug’s opinion, he feels this would be the best option, compared to bringing in portables.

Adjournment

HENSEN/

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 5:15 pm.

CARRIED

Next Meeting:

Date: Date TBA Fall 2024 - 4:30 pm via Zoom