

**SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 43 (COQUITLAM)  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES**

**SPECIAL PUBLIC BOARD MEETING  
Virtual Meeting via Microsoft TEAMS**

**TUESDAY, JULY 19, 2022**

**Chair:**

**Vice-Chair**

**Trustees:**

Michael Thomas  
Carol Cahoon  
Jennifer Blatherwick  
Barb Hobson  
Kerri Palmer Isaak  
Lisa Park  
Christine Pollock  
Craig Woods

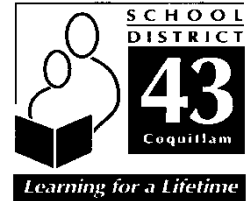
**Administration:**

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| Superintendent of Schools/CEO                                      | Patricia Gartland |
| Secretary-Treasurer/CFO                                            | Mohammed Azim     |
| Assistant Superintendents                                          | Reno Ciolfi       |
|                                                                    | Gerald Shong      |
| Executive Director, Facilities & Planning Services                 | Ivano Cecchini    |
| Executive Director, Human Resources                                | Randy Manhas      |
| Assistant Secretary-Treasurer,<br>Corporate and Financial Services | Nita Mikl         |
| Director of Instruction                                            | Paul McNaughton   |
| Assistant Director of Communications and<br>Community Relations    | Ken Hoff          |
| Recording Secretary                                                | Colleen Stavert   |

**External Guests:**

Cheryl D.  
Lori Noble  
Laura Code  
Wendy Meston  
Rosey Manhas  
Nevin Manhas

Michael Thomas, Chair called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.



*Our mission is to ensure  
quality learning opportunities  
for all students of all ages*

**PRESENT**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Acknowledgment of Territory was expressed by Trustee Pollock.

The Chair asked if there were any additions or deletions to the agenda.

**PALMER ISAAK/PARK moved acceptance of the agenda.**

**Question was called.**

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

As the meeting was virtual introductions were not made.

There were no delegations/presentations.

There were no education matters to report.

There was no consent agenda.

There were no responses to previous delegations.

Ivano Cecchini, Executive Director, Facilities & Planning Services, provided a report on the Seaview Community School Elementary Encumbrance Bylaw 2022. As a condition of new development in the neighborhood surrounding Seaview Elementary, BC Hydro service connection must be rerouted through another location of the property. As a result, a new Statutory Right of Way (SRW) will be required for BC Hydro to service the school.

It is recommended that the Board of Education pass a motion to hold all three readings and have all three readings, final passage, and adoption of the Seaview Community School Utility SRW Bylaw 2022.

***A copy of the Seaview Community School Utility SRW Bylaw 2022 is attached to the official minutes.***

A Trustee question regarding the level of disruption to school activities was responded to. This work is intended to be completed this summer to minimize disruption to the school.

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT  
OF TERRITORY**

**ACCEPTANCE OF  
AGENDA**

**INTRODUCTIONS**

**DELEGATIONS/  
PRESENTATIONS**

**EDUCATION**

**APPROVAL OF  
CONSENT AGENDA**

**RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS  
DELEGATIONS**

**STATUTORY RIGHT OF  
WAY**

***POLLOCK/PALMER ISAAC moved to hold all three readings.***

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**HOBSON/PARK moved to approve the proposed Seaview Community School Utility SRW Bylaw 2022.**

**Question was called. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**BLATHERWICK/CAHOON moved to approve the proposed Seaview Community School Utility SRW Bylaw 2022.**

**Question was called. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**POLLOCK/WOODS moved to approve the proposed Seaview Community School Utility SRW Bylaw 2022.**

**Question was called. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

***Upon unanimous agreement of the Trustees of the Board in attendance, this Bylaw was read a third time on July 19, 2022, and finally passed and adopted this 19<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2022.***

Mohammed Azim, Secretary-Treasurer, and Trustee Kerri Palmer Isaak, Chair – Mental Health Task Force, provided an update regarding the Mental Health Task Force. The six main goals of the task force were reviewed including the need to strengthen access to appropriate supports in the community, secure a one-stop drop-in service, promotion of mental health self-awareness, support resources for diverse communities, inclusion of families in the awareness of supports available, and the future role of the task force. The Task force identified that we are one of the first districts to initiate a task force.

Trustee Palmer Isaak referred to the announcement of a new Tri-City Foundry. BC Minister of Mental Health and Addictions Sheila Malcolmson made this announcement on July 19, 2022, before a crowd of municipal politicians, social service agency representatives, and school Trustees. Foundry Tri-Cities will offer people between the ages of 12 and 24 multiple services, including drop-in counselling, physical and sexual health care, as well as youth and family peer

**MENTAL HEALTH TASK  
FORCE UPDATE**

support. One time funding of \$1 million toward the establishment of the centre and \$200,000 in operational funding was promised. In addition, BC will be providing annual funding towards operations and services (\$500,000 in year 2 and \$800,000 in year 3). Operated by SHARE Family and Community Services Society, Foundry Tri-Cities will be a one-stop-shop where youth can get services in one location without a referral.

Trustee questions regarding the cost of a helpline, access for all youth (both phone and text contact options), additional staffing for the Foundry, and the urgency to locate a united space for the Foundry were responded to.

**The Board of Education presented a motion to authorize the Chair and members of the Mental Health Task Force to request a presentation to the Minister of Mental Health and Addictions at the Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM) in coordination with a municipal partner.**

PALMER ISAAK/CAHOON moved to approve the motion.

**Question was called.**

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

***A copy of the Mental Health Task Force goals are attached to the official minutes.***

There was no unfinished business discussed.

At 7:04 p.m. the Chair opened the floor to questions.

There were no trustee questions.

There were no questions from the gallery.

There was no new business.

There were no notices of motion.

There were no items of Trustee Business.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**QUESTION PERIOD**

**a) Trustees**

**b) Gallery**

**New Business**

**NOTICES OF MOTION**

**ITEMS OF TRUSTEE  
BUSINESS**

POLLOCK/BLATHERWICK moved to adjourn at 7:05 p.m.

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

***“Original Signed by”***

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Chair

***“Original Signed by”***

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Secretary-Treasurer