

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

**REGULAR PUBLIC BOARD MEETING
EDUCATION LEARNING CENTRE, ROOM 104**

TUESDAY, MARCH 4, 2025

Chair:

Michael Thomas

Vice Chair:

Craig Woods

Trustees:

Carol Brodie

Chuck Denison

Kerri Palmer Isaak

Lisa Park

Christine Pollock

Zoë Royer

Administration:

Superintendent of Schools/CEO

Nadine Tambellini

Secretary-Treasurer/CFO

Randy Manhas

Assistant Superintendent

Carey Chute

Anthony Ciolfitto

Jeremy Clarke

Andrea Hunter

Paul McNaughton

Stephen Whiffin

Executive Director, Facilities and Planning

Ivano Cecchini

Executive Director, Human Resources

Michelle Daycock

Assistant Secretary-Treasurer,

Nita Mikl

Corporate and Financial Services

Assistant Director, Communications &

Ken Hoff

Community Relations

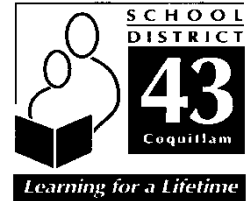
Recording Secretary

Nicole Schenato

Michael Thomas, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

The Acknowledgment of Territory was expressed by Trustee Craig Woods.

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



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

PRESENT

CALL TO ORDER

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF
TERRITORY**

**ACCEPTANCE OF
AGENDA**

**a) Acceptance of
Agenda**

PALMER ISAAK/POLLOCK moved acceptance of the agenda.

Question was called.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Representatives in attendance from the Coquitlam Teachers' Association (CTA), and the Coquitlam Principals & Vice-Principals Association (CPVPA) introduced themselves. The DLT members in attendance introduced themselves.

There were no delegations or presentations.

There were no education matters to report.

The Chair asked if there were any amendments to the consent agenda, which included the following items:

- a) Approval of February 11, 2025, Regular Board Meeting Minutes
- b) Approval of February 18, 2025, Special Regular Board Meeting Minutes
- c) Trustee Calendar Planning Report for Information
- d) Trustee Reports for Information

ROYER/PARK moved approval of the consent agenda.

Question was called.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

A copy of the Trustee Reports is attached to the official minutes.

There were no responses to previous delegations.

Nadine Tambellini, Superintendent, provided a report on news and events. Ms. Tambellini elaborated on various activities, including the recent Professional Development Day with this year's theme being "Empowered Educators: Compassion, Care & Curiosity." Ms. Tambellini also highlighted the Gleneagle Jazz Gala and the DPAC and School District Partnership Panel, which focused on student support and practices.

INTRODUCTIONS

- a) Partner Groups
- b) DLT

DELEGATIONS/ PRESENTATIONS

EDUCATION

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS DELEGATIONS

DISTRICT STAFF REPORTS

- a) Superintendent Report
- i) News & Events

A Trustee praised the recent musical production of *Something Rotten* at Terry Fox Secondary and strongly encouraged others to attend the performance.

A copy of the Superintendent's News & Events report is attached to the official minutes.

Nadine Tambellini, Superintendent, provided a district update, including information on the framework and timeline of Directions 2030. Ms. Tambellini expressed her gratitude to the District Leadership Team for their efforts, contributions, and collaborations on the preparations for the 2025-26 school year, particularly regarding the budget, program of choice, and enrolment projections.

There were no questions or comments from Trustees.

Principal of Technology Implementation, Dave Sands and Steam Support Teacher, Gavin Hanna, provided the Board of Education with a presentation on current STEAM/Tech team activities and the contributions to STEAM related learning opportunities in schools throughout the district. The presentation highlighted how STEAM Support Teachers are collaborating with staff in schools to develop technical capacities and learn to engage in cross-curricular instruction through technology and STEAM.

Trustee questions and comments about the use of Talbot, its targeted age group, and the intuitiveness of coding and technology were responded to.

A copy of the Tech Twenty presentation is attached to the official minutes.

There was no unfinished business.

At 7:46 p.m. the Chair opened the floor to questions.

There were no trustee questions.

There were no questions from the gallery.

ii) Superintendent's Update

iii) Tech Twenty

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

QUESTION PERIOD

a) Trustees

a) Gallery

NEW BUSINESS

Craig Mah, District Principal of School Services and Special Projects (Programs of Choice), provided background information on two BAA courses:

- Applications of learning 11
- Digital Technology Leadership 11

Trustee questions and comments about the current setting of learning centres, clarity on which students will utilize the course, support for students in need, and the eligibility of Indigenous credits with respect to Digital Technology Leadership were responded to.

POLLOCK/ROYER moved to approve the Board/Authority Authorized Courses, Applications of Learning 11 and Digital Technology Leadership 11, as presented.

Question was called.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

A copy of the Board/Authority Authorized Courses memo is attached to the official minutes.

Anthony Ciolfitto, Assistant Superintendent, provided information regarding the 2025/2026 Student Enrolment Projections. Each year in February, the Ministry of Education and Child Care requires school districts to submit enrolment projections for the upcoming school year. Through our work with current enrolment, graduating students and Baragar projections, our 2025/2026 district projection for K-12 Standard School FTE (32,733). This is a decrease of approximately 123.5 FTE from our September 2024/25, 1701 enrolment claim.

Trustee questions and comments regarding and the variables around growth, overpopulation, migration and immigration were responded to.

A copy of the 2025/2026 Student Enrolment Projections memo is attached to the official minutes.

Nita Mikl, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer, provided an update regarding Eligible School Sites Proposal Resolution and identified that future school sites include the following:

1. Riverwalk – Elementary
2. Marigold – Elementary

a) Board/Authority Authorized Courses

b) 2025/2026 Student Enrolment Projections

c) 2026-27 Eligible School Sites Proposal

3. Port Moody Centre – Elementary
4. Fraser Mills – Elementary
5. Coquitlam City Centre – Elementary
6. Hazel Coy – Elementary

These fees are collected from applicants for development permits in each municipality.

Trustee questions and comments regarding whether the district was already collecting the maximum rates, and if the sites selected were the same as previous years, were responded to.

PALMER ISAAK/POLLOCK moved to approve the 2026-27 Eligible School Sites (ESSP) Resolution.

Question was called.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

A copy of the Eligible School Sites Proposal memo and report are attached to the official minutes.

There were no Notices of Motion.

There were no items of trustee business.

At 8:24 p.m. the Chair opened the floor to questions.

Trustee questions and comments about the status of all Board Authorized Courses and their relevance in the district were responded to.

There were no questions from the gallery.

BRODIE/PALMER ISAAK moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:27 p.m.

Question was called.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NOTICES OF MOTION

ITEMS OF TRUSTEE BUSINESS

QUESTION PERIOD

a) Trustees

b) Gallery

ADJOURNMENT

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Chair

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Secretary-Treasurer