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1. February 10, 2010 Public Meeting Minutes

- There were no corrections.

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Member (Kathie Ward) Moved, Member (Dave Rempel) seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'That the Board not ratify Alexander Robinson's request to implement the proposed calendar change for the 2010/11 school year.' Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 6 Nay: 0.

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1. 2010 Trustee Honourium Recommendation

The Secretary Treasurer explained that as part of the direction from the prior Board, there is direction on how the Trustee Honourium is to be handled and the proposed increase amounts to \$124/year for each Trustee. The Finance Committee, at its February 10th meeting, reviewed the information and recommended such action.

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Member (Kathie Ward) Moved, Member (Susan Carr) seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'That the annual base honourium for Trustees for January 1, 2010 be increased by 0.7%, as per the Metro Vancouver Consumer Price Index (CPI) change, for December 2009 to December 2010.' Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 6 Nay: 0.

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Trustee Ward asked if other districts are doing something similar. The Secretary Treasurer advised that for the most part yes, and that some Boards have an external review every 3 or 5 years which is no different than with Excluded staff.

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1. Full Day Kindergarten Update

The Superintendent advised that the information being presented is as recent as possible. It has been ongoing collecting the information daily in order to give an update.

There are 855 kids registered, this time last year there had been 860. Typically, using trend analysis, the district should get another 50 to 100 kids before school starts in September.

An interesting phenomenon was that almost all students wanted to stay in their catchment school. This could be partly because of the full day kindergarten initiative and parents are perhaps concerned about schools filling up. Almost all the kids got what they wanted.

They will now start in-servicing all kindergarten teachers on how to teach full day kindergarten.

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2. DSAC Trustees Ward was a guest to do some Anti-vandalism brainstorming with the kids at the meeting and Trustee Carr is hoping that maybe this is something she could do every few months as it's a really good contribution.

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1. Employee Group questions

George Serra from the MRTA wanted to comment on the Mount Crescent and Glenwood piece in that it looks like a success and he wanted to add that the largest impact was made from the work of the Mount Crescent teachers and their work with meeting with parents and students, in spite of their own feelings towards the decision to close the school.

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1. Arts Council

They met last Monday. Grants are being reduced. They passed the budget and have a slight deficit. The fundraising committee has had good success. The Celebration of the Arts will be

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