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SCHOOL BOARD/MUNICIPAL LIAISON COMMITTEE

CITY OF COQUITLAM

MEETING MINUTES

A meeting of the School Board/Municipal Liaison Committee was convened at 8:00 a.m., Monday, March 8, 1993 in the Board Room of the School District Office.

**COUNCIL MEMBERS:**

Councillor B. Robinson  
Councillor M. Reid

**TRUSTEES:**

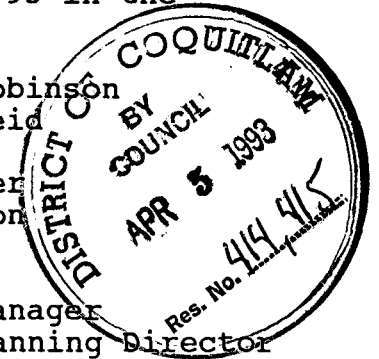
Trustee K. Becker  
Trustee M. Wilson

**CITY OF COQUITLAM STAFF:**

N. Cook, City Manager  
D. Buchanan, Planning Director  
D. Cunnings, Parks &  
Rec. Director

**SCHOOL BOARD STAFF:**

T. Harris,  
Superintendent of Schools  
S.W. Urdahl,  
Secretary-Treasurer



**I. MINUTES OF JANUARY 18TH MEETING**

The Minutes were reviewed and approved as distributed.

**II. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

Moved by Councillor Robinson  
Seconded by Trustee Becker

**COUNCIL  
ACTION:**

That the Board of School Trustees and the Council of the City of Coquitlam each authorize a contribution in the amount of \$3,500 towards the Miller Park Elementary School special needs playground.

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**Disposal of School District Land**

Support for sale of land is an important issue for the board and is still receiving support from municipal counterparts. The committee advised that a consultant will be deployed to advise the board on all future land transactions.

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Youth and Teen Challenges

Any involvement from the City in this issue should be through the Social Planning Committee. The school district envisions an over-all committee representing a liaison of all School District 43 communities so as to avoid duplication of efforts.

The question of teen issues should involve Councillor Parker and, possibly, through her a meeting can be arranged with the other municipalities.

Items Circulated for Information:

- i. A photo of the completed adventure playground at Panorama Heights was circulated.
- ii. The Carnegie study on teen issues was circulated. A copy of the full study is being sought by the Director of Parks and Recreation.
- iii. A youth\teen grouping diagram was circulated for discussion with the City's Social Planning Committee. The level of responsibility and involvement by groups within our social structure must be identified and articulated.

III. NEW BUSINESS

Nil

IV. TABLED ITEMS FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Nil

V. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the committee will be held:

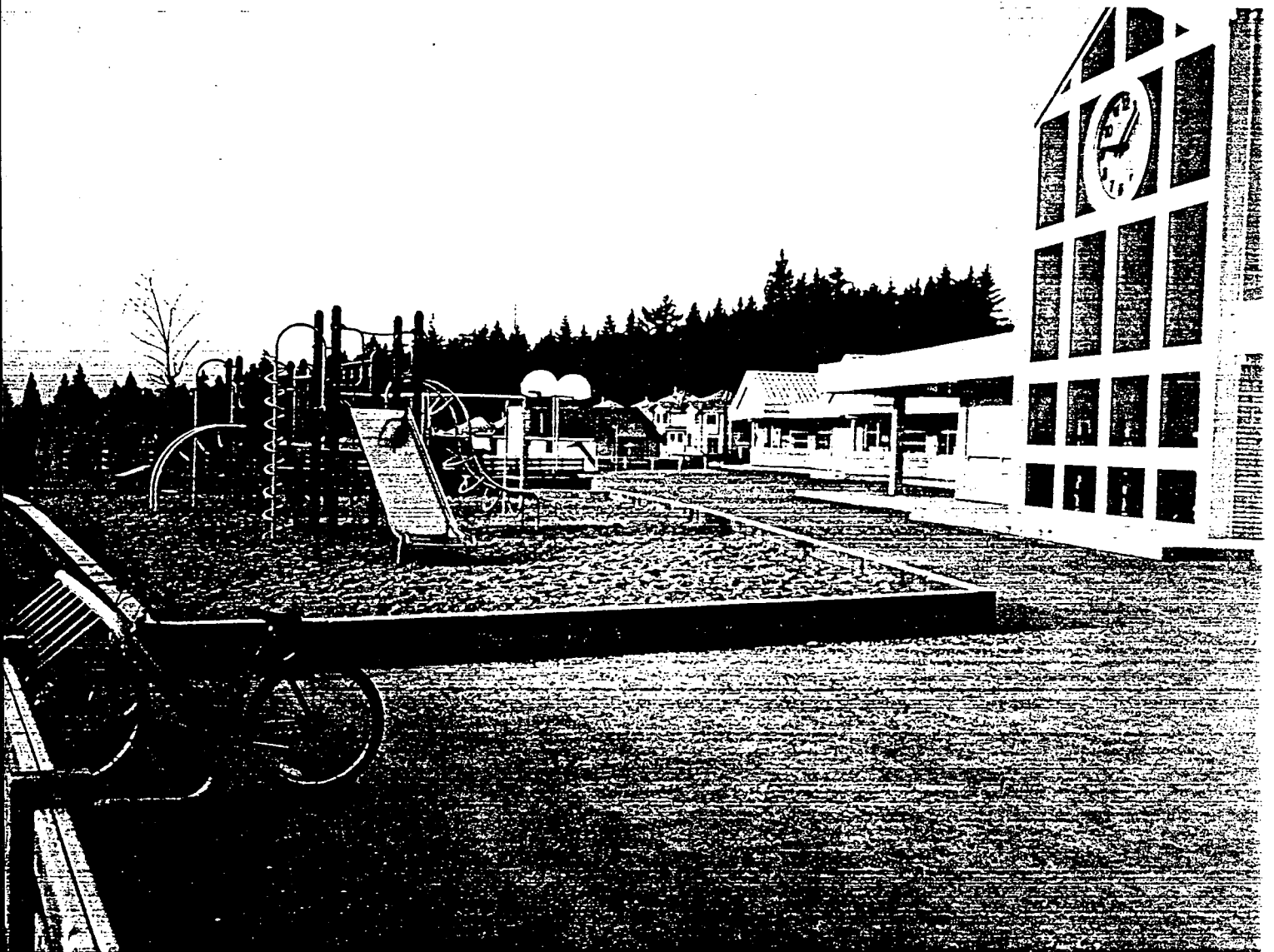
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Monday, May 10, 1993

Board Room, School District Office

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## TEENS

NOTES by D.L. Cunnings, Parks & Recreation Director

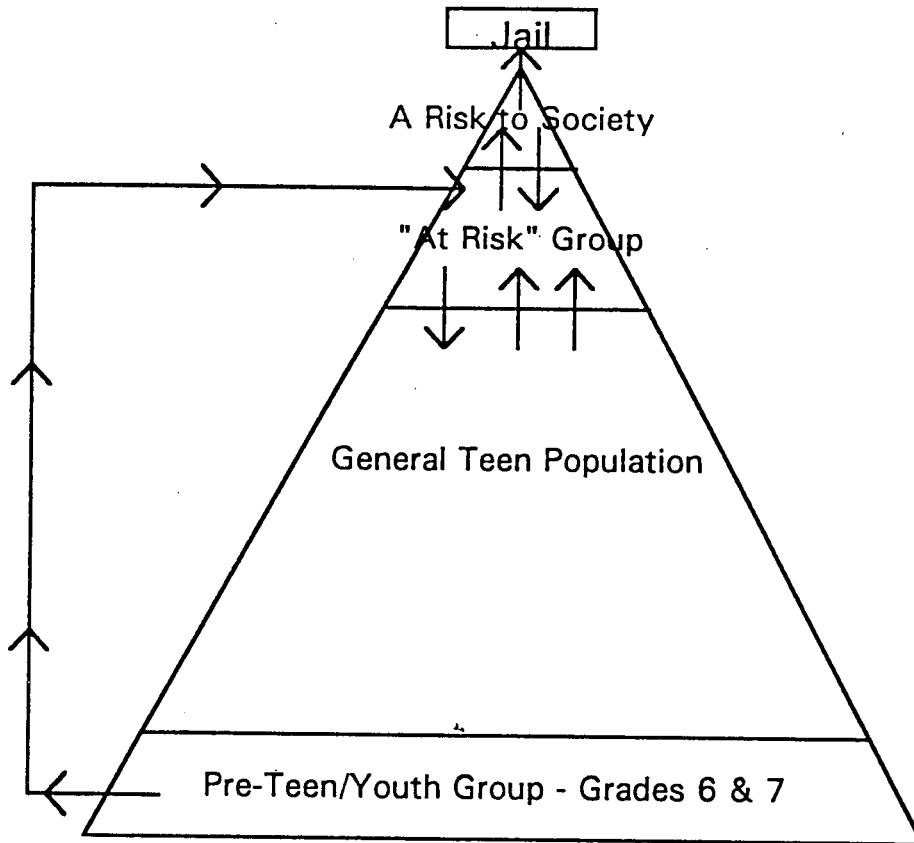
- YOUTH - The perception that "they are our future" is readily agreed to.
- Serving our youth is a central element of both of our organizations.
- There is a matter of time, risk and opportunity in the non-school hours.
- A December '92 assessment by the Carnegie Corporation's Council on Adolescent Development documents the extent of the problem.
- About 10 million (out of 20 million) youth aged 10 to 15 are at serious or moderate risk of not reaching their **full potential as workers, parents and citizens**.
- The problem? At least 5 hours daily or 40% of their waking hours is largely undirected discretionary time, giving rise to excessive "television, sec, drug use, gang activity and violence", according to the report.
- During the Carnegie assessment and report, staff asked young adolescents what they wanted most during non-school hours and they replied:
  1. Safe parks and recreation centres,
  2. Exciting science museums,
  3. Libraries with all the latest books, videos and records,
  4. Chances to go camping and to participate in sports,
  5. Long talks with trusting and trustworthy adults who know a lot about the world and who like young people, and, finally,
  6. To learn new skills.

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## YOUTH/TEEN GROUPING DIAGRAM

Who has the financial resources, the human resources and the physical resources to serve one or more of the disparate youth/teen groupings throughout School District #43, (Coquitlam) outlined in the diagram below:

- The School District?
- The City Parks and Recreation Departments?
- The Police?
- The Churches?
- "Other" Community Groups?



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CITY OF COQUITLAM

MEETING MINUTES



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Councillor M. Reid

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and Parks Services

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S.W. Urdahl,  
Secretary-Treasurer

**I. MINUTES OF THE JUNE 7, 1993 MEETING**

The Minutes were reviewed and approved as distributed.

**II. NEW BUSINESS**

**1. School District\Douglas College Facilities**

A proposal had been made to the Ministry of Education and Ministry of Advanced Education to discuss the potential and opportunities for designing a secondary school in the Town Centre area jointly with the Douglas College campus to provide improved facilities for both organizations at the same cost.

This proposal has been accepted at the official level of both ministries.

**2. Tripartite Facility Development**

This would be an opportune time for a tripartite agreement to provide for improved facilities for three partners (Douglas College, School District, and City of Coquitlam) within the Town Centre

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area. Opportunities for integrated facilities exist particularly in the areas of physical education, public, cafeteria, and arts/theatre complex, particularly with reference to school district funding.

3) Timelines

Timelines for development fall under Douglas College's requirement to have its working drawings 80 percent completed by March 1994 with a targeted opening date for September 1995. A more realistic opening date for the college campus and high school would be September 1996.

4) Westwood Plateau Elementary School\Park

The school district staff indicated that its request for funding to purchase the Westwood Plateau elementary site, as well as the middle school site, is at present before Treasury Board. Treasury Board has questioned the extreme escalation in real estate values in this area. Hopefully the school will be completed for September 1995, as enrolment growth is expected to continue at a high level. The developer may proceed with the field development well before the school is completed similar to what was done at Panorama and Pinetree Way elementaries.

City staff indicated that the town centre pool is being completed on a construction management basis which is expediting the timeline for completion at the same cost and suggested that possibly the school district should investigate this route for construction. Unfortunately this method has been explored by school district staff but the ministry of education does not permit construction on a management basis.

5) Westwood Plateau Middle School

This school site is the only one on the plateau where joint development is not provided for through the developer. The school district is seeking support from the City for any field and outdoor developments and, possibly interior, as this will be the focal point for a community school.

The City indicated that funds are available at the Westwood Plateau elementary site to develop fields under the power lines and this could potentially be transferred to the middle school, with the agreement of the developer.

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6) Land Acquisition and Site Development

The ministry of education and ministry of municipal affairs are still trying to resolve methods of acquiring school sites in developing areas. Certainly the issue of Crown land for school purposes has been resolved and is now available to school districts. Additional information on this topic has been requested by the board at a recent meeting but, no response has been received to date.

7) Playgrounds -- Accessibility/Development

The Committee, at the staff level, should explore and review accessibility issues as they relate to new adventure playgrounds.

Staff will review and report at the next meeting.

III. OTHER BUSINESS

Concerned parents from Alderson Elementary will be appearing before the board on September 28th regarding the safety issues of students using the tunnel under the Lougheed Highway.

Committee members received a 'Report on Increased Use of School Properties and Facilities by Citizens of Coquitlam', dated July 2, 1993 for information.

V. NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting will be held following the municipal/school board elections.

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