contributions First Nations, Inuit and Métis people have made in shaping Canada. On Tuesday, June 21, aligned with the summer solstice, all are invited to participate in events that will take place to honour Indigenous peoples across the country. As reflected in the board's strategic plan, Indigenous Peoples' history, perspectives, and learning approaches are embedded within district planning and practices as students are provided with authentic opportunities to learn about, respect, and engage with Indigenous cultures. Indigenous History Month is a reminder of our shared responsibility to honour, uplift, and amplify Indigenous voices in pursuit of truth, understanding, and reconciliation.

Every year, the Richmond School District recognizes and supports Pride Season, from June through September. Pride Season is a time when we celebrate the diversity within our district and the LGBTQ2S+ community. It is also a time to acknowledge the history of the community, the hardships they have endured, and the progress that has been made.

While there are a number of Pride events that occur during the summer months in local communities, there are also many initiatives that occur throughout the year.

This year, the first in-person Rainbow Network event for staff took place, an opportunity to connect and reflect upon how to support LGBTQ2S+ colleagues throughout the district. In addition, student leaders have participated in Rainbow Café events, and have been busy planning a Pride Party this June. There will be a carnival theme with an opportunity for LGBTQ2S+ youth and allies to connect. Many school alliance groups are also involved in creating displays or other events this month to raise awareness about PRIDE as well.

There will be a Richmond contingent of staff, students, parents, and community members participating in the annual Vancouver Pride Parade in August. We also look forward to additional rainbow sidewalk installations at some elementary and secondary sites this summer.

Our district would like to acknowledge the LGBTQ2+ communities and their allies, recognize their positive contributions to our community and wish everyone a Happy Pride Season!

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The Secretary Treasurer noted all materials had been made available to the public on the district website.

the Wednesday, May 24, 2023 regular agenda of the Board of Education (Richmond) be adopted as circulated.

(a)

The Secretary Treasurer referred to her report as included in the agenda package. She noted that the Annual Budget Bylaw and its supporting financial statements were prepared in accordance with the public sector accounting standards. She then thanked the Finance team for their work in completing the budget documents and stakeholders for their input and feedback throughout the budget process. The Chairperson thanked the Secretary Treasurer and the Financial Services department for their work.

(b)

(i) Minutes of the meeting held on April 19, 2023, were attached for information.

A meeting was held on Wednesday, May 17, 2023. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 14, at 6:00 pm.

(c)

(i) Minutes of the meeting held on April 5, 2023, were attached for information.

A meeting was held on Wednesday, May 3, 2023. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 7, 2023, at 4:30 pm.