

The Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria)
George Jay Naming Committee

MINUTES

Date: Wednesday, April 7, 2021

4:00-5:30p.m.

Location: Via Zoom

In attendance:

Chairperson: Trustee Angie Henzte

Committee members: Bob, Ai Linh, Angela, Mel, Lisa and Deb

Guests: Lorilee and Tim

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COMMENCEMENT OF MEETING

A.1

Acknowledgement of Traditional Territories -

Ms. Lorilee Wastasecook shared with the committee members the importance of making space for a new name, our important work in Truth and Reconciliation and repairing past relationship, bringing history out and into the open and that places and streets named after individuals should reflect honourable work.

Dr. Tim Stanley – provided the committee members with a historical perspective regarding George Jay, his treatment of Chinese students, his creation of a segregated school – Chinese Public School and the racism that took place was shared that during this time some people found ways to progress while others such as George Jay demonstrated racism in their actions.

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NEW BUSINESS

C.2 Discussion of handouts:

Racial Privilege Inventory

Contesting White Supremacy: School Segregation, Anti-Racism, and the Making of Chinese Canadians

George Jay School 1909

Next steps (future meeting dates, key deliverables and timeline) d BT 0.