

SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 23 – BOARD COMMITTEE REPORT

COMMITTEE: Planning and Facilities Committee DATE: April 18, 2007

CHAIRPERSON: Trustee Wayne Horning STAFF CONTACT: Alan Cumbers, Director of Operations

Attendees:

Trustee W. Horning - Chairperson
Trustee R. Cacchioni - Committee Member
Trustee M. Baxter – Acting Committee Member
Trustee A. Hunt-Binkley
Absent: Trustee S. Nicholl – Committee Member

Staff:

A. Cumbers, Director of Operations
J. Shoemaker, Planning Manager
L. Paul, Secretary-Treasurer
H. Gloster, Assistant Superintendent (arrived at 4:48)
M. Essler, Executive Assistant (recorder)

Partner Group Representation:

COPAC	Deb Butler, President
COTA	No Representative
COPVPA	Rick Oliver, President
CUPE	Ron Goffic, Vice-President
DSC	No representative

Appointment of Committee Member

In the absence of Committee Member, Trustee Nicholl, Trustee Baxter was appointed as a Committee Member for the Planning and Facilities Committee Meeting of April 18, 2007.

Agenda

Add:	Material and Recommendation for Action Item 6.1 – Amended Property Bylaw No. 98, Bankhead Elementary School – Rail with Trail Right-of-Way to the City of Kelowna
Add:	New Information Items:
	7.2 Adventure Playgrounds
	7.3 Hybrid Buses
	7.4 Anti-Idling

Action Items

1. Amended Property Bylaw No. 98

Bankhead Elementary School – Rail with Trails Right-of-Way to the City of Kelowna

Judy Shoemaker, Planning Manager, indicated that property size for Property Bylaw No. 98 was in accordance with a sketch plan provided by the City of Kelowna. Since that time the legal survey plan has been completed and the Right-of-Way has grown an additional 37.2m².

Outcome:

The Planning and Facilities Committee forward the recommendation to the Board to grant approval for the Right-of-Way as follows:

THAT: The Board give first, second and third readings to School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan) *Amended* Property Bylaw No. 98 (as attached) at the *April 25, 2007* Public Board Meeting.

THAT: School District No. 23 *Amended* Property Bylaw No. 98 (Bankhead Elementary Rail with Trail Right-of-Way in favor of the City of Kelowna) be read a first, second and third time, and finally adopted this *25th day of April, 2007*;

AND FURTHER THAT: The Board grant approval of a statutory Right-of-Way to the City of Kelowna for the purpose of installing and maintaining an entry and crossing point to the proposed pedestrian and cycling trail on Lot 2, District Lot

137, Plan 14545, ODYD, known as the Bankhead Elementary School site, as shown on the attached *legal survey plan*;

AND FURTHER THAT: The Board certifies that the granting of this right-of-way shall have no adverse effect on the educational programs provided in School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan).

Information Items

1. Adventure Playgrounds

Alan Cumbers, Director of Operations, provided an update to the Committee on the progress of the replacement of the eleven adventure playgrounds. Meetings have taken place with the Parent Advisory Councils of the schools affected this year and most schools have provided verbal information on proceeding with fundraising. Pursuant to the Board's request, the Board will approve the Enhancement Agreements prior to the commencement of fundraising by the Parent Advisory Councils. The new adventure playground at Davidson Road Elementary School is in place and operational.

2. Vans/Busettes Used To Transport Students

Hugh Gloster, Assistant Superintendent, provided an overview of the Memo of March 31, 2007. This information was prepared in accordance with a request by Bill Zeman, President of CUPE. There are currently three high schools who operate their own mini vans or busettes. Kelowna Secondary School has 2 busettes, Rutland Senior Secondary School has two – 15 passenger vans and George Elliot Secondary School has one – 15 passenger van. The Rutland Senior Secondary School vans are owned by a Parent Society which purchased the vans through fundraising. The 15 passenger vans and two busettes require a Class 4 or higher licence. The majority of the transportation of students is through our School District bus fleet with parents being the next transporter of students to and from school events. The Principals or Vice-Principals review the qualifications of the drivers with most drivers being employees of School District No. 23. An inspection is conducted on the condition of the vehicle, required number of seatbelts and booster seats.

The Committee discussed the requesting of a Driver's abstract, requirements of new legislation under the Ministry of Transportation regarding terms of hours of driving for professional drivers, and the use of booster seats for students under a certain weight.

3. Anti-Idling

Trustee Cacchioni would like to thank Grant Davidson, Operations Manager, for sending information on the School District Anti-Idling campaign and hybrid buses to Mayor Sharon Shepherd.

4. Hybrid Bus

Grant Davidson, at the request of Trustee Horning, provided MLA Al Horning the information on the purchase of a hybrid bus. Pursuant to Board Motion 07P-043 staff pursued funding from the Provincial and Federal Government and other private sources. Notification has been received that the Provincial Government has provided the requested \$50,000.00 to cover the additional capital required to purchase the hybrid bus.

5. Items Requiring Special Mention

Trustee Cacchioni inquired on the issue with regard to the gravel pit in the area of Rose Valley Elementary School. Larry Paul, Secretary-Treasurer, responded that there is no public process in place to deal with the issue as the area is unincorporated. There is still the requirement of approval by the Ministry of Transportation.

Alan Cumbers, Director of Operations, provided an update to the Committee on the New Mission Hills Elementary School and Dr. Knox Middle School projects.

Hugh Gloster, Assistant Superintendent, encouraged the Committee Members to visit the Rutland Senior Secondary School Residential Construction project located on Stetson Road in Rutland.

6. Items for Future Planning and Facilities Committee Meetings

Commencement times for Planning and Facilities Committee Meetings – *June 2007*

Okanagan Mission Secondary School Theatre Proposal - *Future*

Helen Gorman Elementary School – Tennis Court/Site Upgrade - *Future*

7. Meeting Schedule

Wednesday, May 16, 2007 at 4:30 p.m. at School Board Office

Wednesday, June 20, 2007 at 4:30 p.m. at School Board Office

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