



"Together We Learn"

School District No. 23
(Central Okanagan)

BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES

PUBLIC BOARD MEETING MINUTES

DATE: **WEDNESDAY, September 28, 2005**

TIME: 6 PM

LOCATION: School Board Office

Attending:

Trustee M. Baxter (Chairperson)

Trustee E. Buckley

Trustee: C. Horan

Trustee W. Horning

Trustee A. Hunt-Binkley

Trustee G. Scanlan

Trustee C. Wiebe

Staff:

R. Rubadeau, Superintendent

J. McElgunn, Assistant-Superintendent

L. Paul, Secretary-Treasurer

M. Essler, Executive Assistant (Recorder)

Partner Group Representatives Attending:

COPVPA

Scott McLean, President

COPAC

Brian Lyall, COPAC Executive

CUPE 3523

Bill Zeman, President

ORDER:

The Chairperson called the meeting to order at 6:03 PM.

AGENDA

Defer:	Recognition	Recognition of Cst. Dean Childs deferred to October 12 public Board Meeting
Change:	Presentation	Change of Name of Presenter(s) for Crystal Mountain Resort
Add:	Action	Revised Recommendation – Action Item 7.5 and replacement page 57
Add:	Action	Additional Recommendation – Letter to Ministry of Education, BCTF and BCPSEA
Add:	Info.	Updated page 65 and 66 – Field Trip Summary
Add:	Info.	Replacement page 85 – Report: Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders
Add:	Corr.	Additional correspondence received

AGENDA

Main

05P-211

MOVED by Trustee Horan, **SECONDED** by Trustee Horning,
THAT: The Agenda for September 28, 2005 be adopted as amended.
CARRIED

MINUTES

Public Meeting – September 14, 2005

Amend: Amendment 05P-199 to read as follows:

MOVED by Trustee Wiebe, SECONDED by Trustee Hunt-Binkley,

THAT: Effective September 14, 2005, the Board adopt the new committee structure scope and functions and meeting schedule in accordance with the parameters as set out in the attached document, "Proposed New Board Standing Committees," and as amended at the June 22, 2005 public Board meeting, *with the exception that the decision respecting the committee composition, as it relates to Employee/Parent Group Representatives, be delayed until November.*

~~AND FURTHER THAT: The proposed new structure for Board Standing Committees be amended, relative to Item 1. Committee Composition on each Committee description, as follows:~~

~~"b) Employee/Parent Group Representatives: (delayed until November)~~

~~COTA~~

~~CUPE~~

~~COPVPA~~

~~COPAC~~

~~District Student Council~~

Main

05P-212

MOVED by Trustee Buckley, SECONDED by Trustee Wiebe,

THAT: The Minutes of the public Board meeting of September 14, 2005 be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

The Superintendent reported on the following topics:

- clarification of information sent home to parents regarding teacher strike action;
- student achievement.

RECOGNITION/PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS

Recognition:

Introduction of New Administrators:

Michelle Bridgett – Vice-Principal, Kelowna Secondary School

Donna Stathers – Vice-Principal, Anne McClymont Elementary School

In attendance: Clara Sulz, Director of Instruction K-12

The Superintendent introduced Clara Sulz, Director of Instruction K-12, who introduced Michelle Bridgett, Vice-Principal at Kelowna Secondary School, and Donna Stathers, Vice-Principal at Anne McClymont Elementary School. The Chairperson, on behalf of the Board of Trustees, welcomed both Vice-Principals to School District No. 23.

- 6:25 The Superintendent left the meeting.
- 6:25 The Secretary-Treasurer left the meeting.
- 6:26 The Secretary-Treasurer returned to the meeting.
- 6:28 The Superintendent returned to the meeting.

Presentation:

Crystal Mountain Resort

(attachment)

In attendance: Steve Knoakes, Professional Ski Patrol, Staff and Public First Aid and Risk Management.

Mr. Knoakes introduced Oliver McEvoy, Ski School Director; Audrey Knapp, Ski Instructor and Schools Liaison; and Kari Roberts, Ski Instructor. Mr. Knoakes requested a review of the current Policy regarding Field Trips and presented the Trustees with a booklet entitled "School Trip Safety Guidelines & Program Guidelines".

Main

05P-213

MOVED by Trustee Buckley, SECONDED by Trustee Wiebe,

THAT: The Board receive with thanks the presentation from Steve Knoakes of Crystal Mountain Resort.

CARRIED

PUBLIC QUESTION/COMMENT PERIOD

Steven Lyall, Grade 10 Student at Kelowna Secondary School

- what is distinction between back country ski trips and ski trips to a ski hill such as Crystal Mountain Resort.

The Superintendent responded there was no distinction. There is a prohibition on all ski trips.

Brian Lyall, COPAC

- at COPAC Executive Meeting on Monday night there was discussion regarding the new Committee Structure. The times of scheduled meetings could be difficult for some parents. For working parents evening meetings would be more suitable and 4:30 p.m. is a difficult time for all parents.

The Chairperson acknowledged the comments.

TRUSTEE QUERIES/COMMENTS

All trustees were provided with an opportunity to comment on their recent involvement in District activities.

Queries:

Trustee Scanlan

- distance education options available to students who are registered in the Veendam Student Exchange (10 month) Program.

The Superintendent indicated students had an option of registering with School District No. 23 Distance Education Program while abroad.

ACTION ITEMS

Preschool Subsidies

(attachment)

In attendance: Juleen McElgunn, Assistant Superintendent

The Assistant Superintendent introduced the recommendation.
The Assistant Superintendent responded to questions for clarification.

Main

05P-214

MOVED by Trustee Buckley, SECONDED by Trustee Wiebe,
THAT: The Board change the subsidy requirements for preschool partners to two subsidized spaces per class per ‘semester’ September to January, February to June;

AND FURTHER THAT the space(s) should be held for one month into each semester and then may be filled by children on the waitlist.

The Board discussed the matter.
The Assistant Superintendent responded to questions.

Amendment

05P-215

MOVED by Trustee Horan, SECONDED by Trustee Horning,
THAT: The Board change the subsidy requirements for preschool partners to two subsidized spaces per class per ‘semester’ September to January, February to June;

AND FURTHER THAT the space(s) should be *advertised and held* for one month into each semester and then may be filled by children on the waitlist.

AND FURTHER THAT this practice be reviewed by the Preschool Partnerships Committee with a Report back to the Board in June of 2006.

The Board discussed the matter further.
The Assistant Superintendent responded to questions.

Tabling

05P-216

MOVED by Trustee Hunt-Binkley.
THAT: Motion 05P-214 as amended by Amendment 05P-215 be tabled pending a review by the Preschool Partnerships Committee.

No seconder.
No debate.

The Board discussed the amendment.
The Assistant Superintendent responded to questions.

The question was called on Amendment 05P-215.
CARRIED
Opposed: Trustee Baxter and Trustee Hunt-Binkley

The Assistant Superintendent responded to further questions.

The question was called on 05P-214 as amended in 05P-215.

CARRIED

Opposed: Trustee Baxter and Trustee Hunt-Binkley

Recommendation of the Policy Committee: Preschool Partnerships and Other Early Childhood Opportunities Policy

(attachment)

Main

05P-217

MOVED by Trustee Scanlan, SECONDED by Trustee Buckley,

THAT: The Board adopt Policy 750: Preschool Partnerships and Other Early Childhood Opportunities, as attached and as presented at the September 28, 2005 public Board meeting.

CARRIED

Trustee Attendance at Remembrance Day Ceremonies

Lake Country	Trustee Hunt-Binkley
Kelowna	Trustee Scanlan
Peachland	Trustee Baxter
Rutland	Trustee Horning
Westbank	Trustee Wiebe

Information will be provided to Trustees through the Secretary-Treasurer's Office.

7:24

Trustee Horan left the meeting.

Recommendation of the Finance Committee

Audited Financial Statements Fiscal Year 2004/05

(attachment)

7:26

Trustee Horan returned to the meeting.

Main

05P-218

MOVED by Trustee Hunt-Binkley, SECONDED by Trustee Horning,

THAT: The Board receive and accept the 2004/05 Financial Statements, as presented at the public Board meeting of September 28, 2005.

Trustee Hunt-Binkley introduced the Recommendation. At the end of the year the District had an unrestricted surplus in the amount of \$2.3 million.

The question was called on 05P-218.

CARRIED

The Chairperson thanked the Finance Committee.

Regulations 525: Field Trips – Review Criteria

(attachment)

In attendance: Hugh Gloster, Director of Instruction K-12

Main

05P-219

MOVED by Trustee Wiebe, SECONDED by Trustee Scanlan,

THAT: Regulation 525: Field Trips, Section III. Field Trips – Level Three be amended to include the following:

“Examples:

Ice skating, road cycling, mountain biking (no extreme riding), cross country skiing within controlled ski areas, swimming within designated swim areas at local beaches in the presence of a qualified lifeguard, *Learn to Sail* and other similar sailing lessons at approved facilities with certified instructors; introduction to canoeing and kayaking with a qualified instructor on local lakes; dragon boating with an approved trainer on local lakes.

1. These field trips will have the following characteristics:

- **may be of more than one day in duration;**
- **take place within the Province of BC;**
- **ice skating, road cycling and mountain biking all activities require the usage of a parent-approved helmet. ~~except cross country skiing and snowshoeing.~~”**

The Superintendent introduced the recommendation and introduced Hugh Gloster, Director of Instruction K-12 who provided additional comments.

The Director of Instruction K-12 responded to questions.

The Board discussed the matter.

The question was called on 05P-219.

CARRIED

7:35 The Chairperson called for a recess.

7:42 The meeting resumed.

Trustee Representative for Family Life Committee

(first meeting scheduled for October 4, 2005, 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, School Board Office)

By consensus, the Board agreed that Trustee Gail Scanlan will be the Trustee representative on the Family Life Committee.

BCSSA Fall Conference 2005

(attachment)

In attendance: Hugh Gloster, Director of Instruction K-12

Main

05P-220

MOVED by Trustee Horning, SECONDED by Trustee Buckley,

THAT: The Board sponsor two students from School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan) District Student Council to attend the BCSSA Fall Conference 2005 scheduled for November 17 and 18, 2005 in Victoria, British Columbia.

The Superintendent introduced the recommendation and introduced Hugh Gloster, Director of Instruction K-12.

The Director of Instruction responded to questions.

The Chairperson confirmed she will be attending and using her Trustee Discretionary Fund.

The question was called on 05P-220.

CARRIED

Letter to Ministry of Education, B.C. Teachers' Federation and B.C. Public School Employers' Association regarding Teachers' labour dispute.

Main

05P-221

MOVED by Trustee Horning, SECONDED by Trustee Scanlan,

THAT: The Board of Trustees write a letter to the three significant parties involved in the current teachers' labour dispute (Ministry of Education, B.C. Teachers' Federation and the B.C. Public Schools Employers' Association), expressing concern regarding the disruption of our students' learning environment, and encouraging all of the parties to reach a resolution to the situation as soon as possible (copy to COPAC, COPVPA, COTA and CUPE).

The Board discussed the matter.

The question was called on 05P-221.

CARRIED

Opposed: Trustee Buckley

Main

05P-222

MOVED by Trustee Horan, SECONDED by Trustee Scanlan,

THAT: The Board of Trustees write a letter to the Ministry of Education regarding the status of the recommendations in the Don Wright Report.

CARRIED

Abstained: Trustee Hunt-Binkley

PUBLIC QUESTION AND COMMENT PERIOD

INFORMATION ITEMS

Summary - Field Trips
(attachment)

Information Meeting for Special Education Parents/Guardians

Date: Thursday, October 13, 2005 at 6:00 p.m., Room 2, Hollywood Road Education Services

In attendance: Peter Molloy, Director of Instruction – Student Support Services

The Superintendent introduced the Director of Instruction – Student Support Services who confirmed that parents would be advised of this meeting through Parent Advisory Councils and through a District news release.

Board Standing Committees – New Structure and Schedule of Meetings
(attachment)

Change to Policy 455 Regulations: Discipline
(attachment)

Reports – Programs for Substantial Change: Hockey Skills Program, Hairdressing Program
(attachment)

Report: Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders
(attachment)

By consensus, the Board agreed to refer the Report: Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders to the Coordinating Committee for placement, as an Action Item, on a future Agenda.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

Reports were received from:

Public Relations Committee – Transition
(attachment)

Main
05P-223

MOVED by Trustee Wiebe, SECONDED by Trustee Horning,
THAT: The Board receive and accept the recommendations of the Public Relations Committee as set out in the Memo which is attached to and forms part of these Minutes, and as presented at the public Board meeting of September 28, 2005.
CARRIED

Planning & Facilities (former Building & Transportation) Committee

BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

Sent:

Received:

School District No. 36 (Surrey) – Trustee Compensation Survey
Central Okanagan Area of Narcotics Anonymous (PI) – Services
Corinne Goldfinch – Travel Assistance
Brenda Campbell – School User Pay Bus
BCSTA – Copy of letter to Al Horning
Dayna and Randy Wolczuk – Glenmore Elementary & Portable Reduction, FIMM & Catchment Areas
Brenda Maier - Glenmore Elementary & Portable Reduction, FIMM & Catchment Areas
Dave Brown - Glenmore Elementary & Portable Reduction, FIMM & Catchment Areas
Bruce and Louise Babiuk - Glenmore Elementary & Portable Reduction, FIMM & Catchment Areas
Maureen Herriman - Glenmore Elementary & Portable Reduction, FIMM & Catchment Areas
Donna McHattie, Terry Short, Joel Short - Glenmore Elementary & Portable Reduction, FIMM & Catchment Areas
B. May - Glenmore Elementary & Portable Reduction, FIMM & Catchment Areas
Lisa Leibbrand – Glenmore Elementary & Portable Reduction, FIMM & Catchment Areas
David Atkins – Glenmore Elementary & Portable Reduction, FIMM & Catchment Areas
Adrienne and Mas Taki – Glenmore Elementary & Portable Reduction, FIMM & Catchment Areas
Jane Redden – Glenmore Elementary & Portable Reduction, FIMM & Catchment Areas
Lori Burma – Glenmore Elementary & Portable Reduction, FIMM & Catchment Areas
Margo McGarvey – Glenmore Elementary & Portable Reduction, FIMM & Catchment Areas
Peggy Clark – Portable Reduction , FIMM and Casorso Elementary School
Myrna Tracy - Portable Reduction
Noreen Guenther - Portable Reduction
Oyama Traditional School, SPC – Portable Reduction
Rosemary Garner, PAC President, Casorso Elementary School - Portable Reduction
Ruth Hare, Acting President, Glenmore Elementary PAC – Presentation to Education Committee
Kim Travis – Petition from group of Springvalley Elementary School parents

Main

05P-224

MOVED by Trustee Wiebe, SECONDED by Trustee Horan,
THAT: At the September 28, 2005 Public meeting, the Board receive the correspondence listed above.
CARRIED

FUTURE REGULARLY SCHEDULED BOARD MEETINGS

Regular Public Board Meeting

Wednesday, October 12, 2005 at 6 PM, Hollywood Road Education Services

By consensus, the Board agreed that the location for this public Board meeting would be at Hollywood Road Education Services.

Regular Public Board Meeting

Wednesday, October 26, 2005 at 6 PM, School Board Office

Trustee Horan and Trustee Buckley will be absent for this meeting (attending the BCPSEA Labour Relations Symposium).

BOARD STANDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS

- October: Committee IV – Personnel And Staff Services
 Wednesday, October 5, 2005 at 4:00 p.m. at School Board Office
 Committee III – Education And Student Services
 Wednesday, October 5, 2005 at 6:30 p.m. at School Board Office
 Committee II – Planning And Facilities
 Wednesday, October 19, 2005 at 4:00 p.m. at School Board Office
 Committee V – Finance And Legal Committee
 Wednesday, October 19, 2005 at 6:30 p.m. at School Board Office
- November: Committee I – General Affairs
 Wednesday, November 2, 2005 at 4:00 p.m. at School Board Office
 Committee III – Education And Student Services
 Wednesday, November 2, 2005 at 6:30 p.m. at School Board Office
 Committee V – Finance And Legal Committee
 Wednesday, November 16, 2005 at 1:00 p.m. at School Board Office
 Committee II – Planning And Facilities
 Wednesday, November 16, 2005 at 4:00 p.m. at School Board Office

BC PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYERS' ASSOCIATION (BCPSEA)

Annual General Meeting
Friday, January 27, 2006 through Saturday, January 28, 2006
Vancouver, British Columbia

BC SCHOOL TRUSTEES' ASSOCIATION (BCSTA)

Okanagan Branch of the BCSTA
Friday, October 14, 2005 and Saturday, October 15, 2005
Penticton, British Columbia

Provincial Council Meeting
Friday, October 21, 2005 and Saturday, October 22, 2005
Vancouver, British Columbia

NOTICES OF MOTION

ITEM FOR SPECIAL MENTION

ITEMS FOR BOARD COMMITTEES

Report: Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders – Coordinating Committee

ITEMS FOR FUTURE BOARD AGENDA

Preschool Partnerships Committee Report - 2006

ADJOURNMENT: The Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 8:15 PM.

Chairperson

Secretary-Treasurer