



"Together We Learn"

School District No. 23
(Central Okanagan)

BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES

PUBLIC BOARD MEETING MINUTES

DATE: **WEDNESDAY, April 12, 2006**

TIME: 6 PM

LOCATION: School Board Office

Attending:

Trustee M. Baxter (Chairperson)

Trustee R. Cacchioni

Trustee W. Horning

Trustee A. Hunt-Binkley

Trustee S. Nicholl

Trustee G. Scanlan

Trustee C. Wiebe

Staff:

R. Rubadeau, Superintendent

L. Paul, Secretary-Treasurer

M. Roberts, Director of Instruction – Human Resources

M. Essler, Executive Assistant (Recorder)

Partner Group Representatives Attending:

COPAC

Valerie Broman, President

COTA

Bob Shanks, President

COPVPA

Rick Oliver, Executive Member

CUPE

Bill Zeman, President (arrived at 7:16)

ORDER:

The Chairperson called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

The Director of Instruction – Human Resources provided information on the recent passing of two School District employees - Hank Grenda, a teacher at George Elliot Secondary School, and Wayne Toneff, head custodian at George Elliot Secondary School and head custodian Kelowna North Zone. The Director of Instruction – Human Resources requested a moment of silence to honour Hank Grenda and Wayne Toneff.

AGENDA

Add

Correspondence

Received: Len McFarlane – copy of letter to Shirley Bond re School in South Mission area

AGENDA

Main

06P-090

MOVED by Trustee Cacchioni, SECONDED by Trustee Horning,
THAT: The Agenda for April 12, 2006 be adopted as amended.
CARRIED

MINUTES

Public Meeting – March 29, 2006

Amend: Page 13, Chairperson – District Health-Promoting Schools Committee
Terry-Lee Beaudry, Director of Instruction K-12 is ~~nominated~~ *appointed* as the staff member chairperson and will work parallel with Trustee Hunt-Binkley, and transition into the chair by December 2006.

MINUTES

Main

06P-091 MOVED by Trustee Cacchioni, SECONDED by Trustee Scanlan,
THAT: The Minutes of the Public Board meeting of March 29, 2006 be adopted as amended.
CARRIED
Abstained: Trustee Wiebe (absent from meeting)

The Chairperson announced that Hugh Gloster, Director of Instruction K-12 (in attendance) has been appointed Assistant Superintendent to School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan) effective August 1, 2006. The chairperson congratulated Hugh Gloster on his appointment. The chairperson thanked the partner groups for their involvement in the process for the selection of the new Assistant Superintendent.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mike Roberts, Director of Instruction – Human Resources, provided the following report on behalf of the Superintendent:

- Congratulations to Hugh Gloster on his recent appointment as Assistant Superintendent.
- Extend thank you to the entire staff of George Elliot Secondary School, the Lake Country Community and the School District No. 23 Crisis Response Team with regard to the passing of teacher Hank Grenda. Tremendous effort was made in honouring Hank Grenda.
- School District No. 23 is the recipient of three Provincial Portfolio Innovation Awards. Congratulations to the staff at George Elliot Secondary School and lead teacher Kathy Weninger on the development of portfolio support resources for use by staff and students. Congratulations to the staff at Mount Boucherie Secondary School and lead teacher Shona Becker on the development of a series of student assignments that align with provincial curriculum and allow students to gather evidence for graduation portfolios. Congratulations to the staff at Rutland Senior Secondary School and lead teachers Patti Ostrickoff and Kelly McRae, in the production of a DVD concerning their “portfolio presentation day” for use during parent information nights and introduction of the graduation portfolio in Planning 10 classes. The Ministry has requested the Rutland Senior Secondary School DVD for use on their website and also requested Rutland Senior Secondary School to host Ministry personnel at their next portfolio presentation session.
- Congratulations to Hugh Parsons and School District No. 23 music teachers involved in the Interior Jazz Festival.
- Recognition of students and organizations who have been nominated for Civic Awards. Nominations include:
 - Young Female Citizen of the Year Award:
 - Christa Hoy, Mount Boucherie Secondary School
 - Anna Rutherford, Kelowna Secondary School

Young Male Citizen of the Year Award:
Chris Hall, Mount Boucherie Secondary School
Jeff Nishi, Kelowna Secondary School
Central Okanagan Foundation Volunteer Organization of the Year Award:
Central Okanagan Bursary and Scholarship Society
Augie Ciancone Memorial Award – Female
Jessica Briker, Mount Boucherie Secondary School
Robyn Buna, Kelowna Secondary School
Whitney Siegmann, Rutland Senior Secondary School
Augie Ciancone Memorial Award – Male
Quinten Dreger, Mount Boucherie Secondary School
Michael Killip, Okanagan Mission Secondary School
Tyler Murphy, George Elliot Secondary School
Mike Russo, George Elliot Secondary School

RECOGNITION/PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATION

Recognition:

Constable Reg Lawrence, RCMP

The chairperson introduced Constable Reg Lawrence, RCMP. Recognition is being provided to Constable Lawrence specifically for his involvement with the DARE Program with School District No. 23. Constable Lawrence has been very involved in this program for the past five years. Constable Lawrence has been with the RCMP for the past 26 years and has plans of retiring on May 10, 2006.

Constable Lawrence indicated he appreciated the recognition and thanked the Board.

Presentation:

Deborah McGovern

Re: Young Parent Day Care Program Expansion Project Rutland Senior Secondary School

The chairperson introduced Deborah McGovern who is making presentation as a representative of the Kelowna Child Care Society. Presentation is on the expansion of the Young Parent Day Care Program to Rutland Senior Secondary School, similar to the one currently in place at Kelowna Secondary School. Request includes a ten (10) year commitment and similar operating agreement as the Young Parent Day Care Program at Kelowna Secondary School. This agreement includes the school district supporting the building maintenance, administrative support, custodial support and utilities. The Young Parent Day Care Program currently in existence at Kelowna Secondary School is at capacity. There are approximately twelve young parents currently attending Rutland Senior Secondary School. Obtaining the support of the School District is the first step. Rick Oliver, Principal of Rutland Senior Secondary School, provided information on the possible location of the Program at the school. Kelowna Child Care Society is requesting endorsement in principle of the program expansion to Rutland Senior Secondary School, and requesting a letter be written to Kelowna Child Care Society indicating the School District's support of their application for funding. At this time the hope is for the program to be running by September 2007.

Main

06P-092

MOVED by Trustee Wiebe, SECONDED by Trustee Horning,
THAT: The Board receive with thanks the presentation on the Young Parent Day Care Program Expansion Project – Rutland Senior Secondary School, by Deborah McGovern, as presented at the April 12, 2006 Public Board Meeting.
CARRIED

PUBLIC QUESTION AND COMMENT PERIOD

TRUSTEE QUERIES/COMMENTS

ACTION ITEMS

Young Parent Day Care Program Expansion Project Rutland Senior Secondary School

In attendance: Deborah McGovern, Kelowna Child Care Society

A presentation was made earlier in the meeting by Deborah McGovern on behalf of the Kelowna Child Care Society requesting the Board's endorsement in principle of the program expansion to Rutland Senior Secondary School, and requesting a letter be written to Kelowna Child Care Society indicating the School District's support of their application for funding. The Superintendent provided further information on the program at Kelowna Secondary School.

Main

06P-093

MOVED by Trustee Wiebe, SECONDED by Trustee Hunt-Binkley,
THAT: The Board of School Trustees endorse the Kelowna Child Care Society application for expansion of the Young Parent Day Care Program to Rutland Senior Secondary School, and also should the application be successful that the Board commit to a ten (10) year operating agreement.

The Board discussed the matter.

The question was called on 06P-093.
CARRIED

A letter will be forwarded to the Kelowna Child Care Society indicating the Board's endorsement of the expansion of the Young Parent Day Care Program to Rutland Senior Secondary School, and confirming that should the application be successful the Board will commit to a ten (10) year operating agreement.

Board Committee Process - Correspondence Received and Sent *Deferred from March 29th, 2006 Public Board Meeting.*

This recommendation was deferred from the March 29, 2006 Public Board Meeting for a further review of the language of the recommendation. At the April 4, 2006 Coordinating Committee meeting the language was amended.

Trustee Baxter introduced the recommendation of the Coordinating Committee.

THAT: All Board Committees be requested to follow the procedure outlined below in regard to correspondence:

Unsolicited Correspondence Received - Addressed to a Committee

1. When it arrives, a copy of the correspondence is to be provided to the Secretary-Treasurer. The correspondence shall then be treated as Board correspondence: copy to trustees, copy to the Superintendent and listed on the next Board agenda as "Committee Correspondence Received".
2. The correspondence shall be acknowledged by the senior staff person assigned to the Committee.
3. The correspondence shall be listed on and attached to the next agenda of the Committee. (In this manner, it is provided to all Committee members.)
4. Recommendations resulting from ~~the~~ correspondence *received* at the Committee level shall be brought to the Board for a decision.

Solicited Correspondence Received (input) – Addressed to a Committee

1. When it arrives, written input requested by a Committee shall be acknowledged by the senior staff person on the Committee, and a copy shall be forwarded to the Superintendent and the Committee Chairperson.
2. The correspondence shall be listed on the appropriate agenda of the Committee as "Input" to the pertinent action item.
3. When the item is brought to the Board for consideration and action, for the Board's record, the written input shall be listed on the Board agenda with the action item.

Correspondence that the Committee wishes to Send

Should the Committee wish to address an issue in writing, a draft of the proposed letter is to be submitted to the Coordinating Committee for ~~consideration~~.
placement on a Board Agenda.

The Board discussed the suggested amendments.

The Superintendent responded to questions.

The Board agreed that this recommendation be further reviewed with regard to unsolicited correspondence not being provided directly to the Committee unless directed by the Board.

Deferral
06P-094

MOVED by Trustee Wiebe, SECONDED by Trustee Horning,

THAT: The topic Board Committee Process - Correspondence Received and Sent be deferred to the April 26, 2006 Public Board Meeting, upon further review.

CARRIED

Opposed: Trustee Cacchioni

Capital Project Bylaw No. 114624: Mount Boucherie Secondary School – Increase from 925 to 1325 capacity for Grades 10 to 12
(attachment)

The Secretary-Treasurer introduced the recommendation and provided further information for clarification.

Main

06P-095

MOVED by Trustee Wiebe, SECONDED by Trustee Horning,
THAT: At the April 12, 2006 Public Board Meeting, the Board gives first, second and third readings to School District No. 23 Capital Project Bylaw No. 114624: Mount Boucherie Secondary School – Increase from 925 to 1325 capacity for Grades 10 to 12.
CARRIED

The Secretary-Treasurer responded to questions.

Main

06P-096

MOVED by Trustee Wiebe, SECONDED by Trustee Horning,
THAT: School District No. 23 Capital Project Bylaw No. 114624: Mount Boucherie Secondary School – Increase from 925 to 1325 capacity for Grades 10 to 12, be read a first, second and third time this 12th day of April, 2006.
CARRIED

Early Learning and Child Care Agreement

Notice of Motion served by Trustee Cacchioni at the March 29, 2006 meeting:

Trustee Cacchioni introduced his recommendation and suggested an amendment.

Main

06P-097

MOVED by Trustee Cacchioni, SECONDED by Trustee Horning,
THAT: The Board of School Trustees of School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan) send a letter to the Rt. Hon. Stephen Harper, Prime Minister, requesting that his Government honour the Early Learning and Child Care Agreement made by the previous Federal Government with the people of British Columbia.

Trustee Cacchioni provided information on articles written on early childhood development.
The Board discussed the matter further.

The question was called on 06P-097.
CARRIED

PUBLIC QUESTION/COMMENT PERIOD

INFORMATION ITEMS

Field Trip Summary
(attachment)

Report on Public Meeting - School Accommodation in South Mission Area

Date of Meeting: March 30, 2006

The Director of Instruction – Human Resources provided an overview of the meeting. Approximately 75 members of the public attended. A total of 25 Feedback Forms were received, 21 at the meeting and 4 received afterwards. The Director of Instruction provided information on the primary concerns, recommendations and additional information as indicated on the Feedback Forms. New school in the Mission remains the number one priority with the Board.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

Planning and Facilities Committee

(attachment)

Trustee Horning introduced the recommendation from the Planning and Facilities Committee. Trustee Horning provided information on the strides School District No. 23 is making with regard to toxin free schools.

The Director of Instruction – Human Resources also provided further information for clarification.

Main

06P-098

MOVED by Trustee Horning, SECONDED by Trustee Wiebe,

THAT: The Board respond to the letter from the Labour Environmental Alliance Society confirming receipt of their letter.

CARRIED

Planning and Facilities Committee

(attachment)

Trustee Horning introduced the recommendation from the Planning and Facilities Committee. Trustee Baxter suggested some amendments to the letter.

Main

06P-099

MOVED by Trustee Horning, SECONDED by Trustee Wiebe,

THAT: The Board write a letter to the Ministry of Education requesting an update of the transportation review.

CARRIED

BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

Sent: All Exempt Employees re Exempt Staff One-Time Incentive Payment

Received: Shirley Bond, Minister of Education, re Guidelines for Food and Beverage Sales in B.C. Schools

Jinny Sims, President, BCTF, re International Peace Education Conference, June 25-27, 2006

School District No. 42 (Maple Ridge) – copy of letter to Honourable Michael de Jong, Minister of Labour, re legislation requiring the protection of individuals working in service stations and working alone

School District No. 46 (Sunshine Coast) – copy of letter to Minister Shirley Bond, Minister of Education, requesting information on Ministry changes to School Districts
Shirley Bond, Minister of Education, re Funding for growth in students with Special Needs Categories
School District No. 41 (Burnaby) – copy of letter to Penny Tees, President, BCSTA, re locally elected School Boards
School District No. 41 (Burnaby) – copy of letter to Mayor Derek Corrigan and Members of City Council (Burnaby), re locally elected School Boards
School District No. 41 (Burnaby) – copy of letter to Shirley Bond, Minister of Education, re one-time Grants

Main

06P-100

MOVED by Trustee Wiebe, SECONDED by Trustee Cacchioni,
THAT: At the April 12, 2006 Public meeting, the Board receive the correspondence listed above.
CARRIED

FUTURE REGULARLY SCHEDULED BOARD MEETINGS

Regular Public Board Meeting
Wednesday, April 26, 2006 at 6:00 p.m., School Board Office

Regular Public Board Meeting
Wednesday, May 10, 2006 at 6:00 p.m., School Board Office

SPECIAL PUBLIC BOARD MEETINGS

BOARD STANDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS

April 19, 2006

Committee II – Planning and Facilities Committee

4:00 p.m. at School Board Office - **CANCELLED**

Trustee Horning, as chairperson of the Planning and Facilities Committee, confirmed that this meeting has been cancelled.

Committee V – Finance and Legal Committee

6:30 p.m. at School Board Office

May 3, 2006

Committee I – General Affairs

4:30 p.m. at School Board Office

Committee III – Education and Student Services

6:30 p.m. at School Board Office

ITEMS REQUIRING SPECIAL MENTION

Trustee Hunt-Binkley referred to a letter from Bob Ritchie referred from the Board to the District Health-Promoting Schools Committee regarding heavily caffeinated high energy drinks. Our current guidelines prevent some of these decaffeinated beverages from being in our schools.

BC PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYERS' ASSOCIATION

Trustee Nicholl attended the BCPSEA Rep Council meeting in Vancouver on April 7 and 8, 2006. At this meeting there was an outline of the teacher negotiations.

BC SCHOOL TRUSTEES' ASSOCIATION

BCSTA Annual General Meeting
April 27 – 30, 2006
Prince George Civic Centre
Prince George, B.C.

NOTICES OF MOTION

ITEMS FOR BOARD COMMITTEES

ITEMS FOR A FUTURE AGENDA

Board Committee Process – Correspondence Received and Sent

ADJOURNMENT: The Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 7:31 p.m.

Chairperson

Secretary-Treasurer