



"Together We Learn"

School District No. 23  
(Central Okanagan)

# BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES

## PUBLIC BOARD MEETING MINUTES

DATE: **WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24, 2007**

TIME: 6:00 PM

LOCATION: School Board Office  
1940 Underhill Street  
Kelowna, B.C.

### **Attending:**

Trustee M. Baxter (Chairperson)

Trustee R. Cacchioni

Trustee W. Horning

Trustee S. Nicholl

Trustee G. Scanlan

Absent: Trustee A. Hunt-Binkley

Absent: Trustee C. Wiebe

### Staff:

M. Roberts, Superintendent

L. Paul, Secretary-Treasurer

H. Gloster, Assistant Superintendent

M. Essler, Executive Assistant (Recorder)

### **Partner Group Representatives Attending:**

COPAC

Ruth Johnson, Vice-President

COTA

Tom Potts, President

COPVPA

No Representative

CUPE

Bill Zeman, President

DSC

No Representative

### **ORDER:**

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

### **AGENDA**

Add Two Notices of Motion from Trustee Scanlan

### **AGENDA**

#### *Main*

07P-014

MOVED by Trustee Cacchioni, SECONDED by Trustee Horning,  
**THAT: The Agenda for January 24, 2007 be adopted as amended.**  
**CARRIED**

## MINUTES

### Main

07P-015

MOVED by Trustee Nicholl, SECONDED by Trustee Scanlan,

**THAT: The Minutes of the Public Board meeting of January 10, 2007 be adopted as distributed.**

**CARRIED**

**Abstained: Trustee Horning (absent from meeting)**

## SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

The Superintendent provided the following report:

- We are at mid-point of the school year and second semester in some high schools commences next week. Provincial exams are also just beginning.
- There is a BCIT and School District No. 23 Dual Credit/Credentials Graduation Ceremony tomorrow (Thursday, January 25, 2007) commencing at 7:00 p.m. at Rutland Senior Secondary School. School District No. 23 has the largest BCIT off-site program in the Province.
- The B.C. Special Olympics are being hosted in Kelowna on February 15 through February 18, 2007. Rutland Secondary School and Rutland Middle School are the sites for approximately 500 athletes. There are 200 students and staff members from School District No. 23 who have volunteered to assist with the B.C. Special Olympics.

## RECOGNITION/PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATION

### **District Aboriginal Education Committee and Staff**

Signing of Enhancement Agreement on Monday, December 11, 2006

The Chairperson introduced Terry-Lee Beaudry, Director of Instruction K-12. The Director of Instruction K-12 provided an overview of the Aboriginal Education Program in School District No. 23, and listed the names of the members of the Aboriginal Education Committee including:

Moyra Baxter, Trustee Alternate Representative

Wayne Horning, Trustee Representative

Ann Bell, Lake Country Native Association Representative

Denise Clough, Westbank First Nation Representative

Kelly Kubik, Okanagan Metis Children & Families Services Representative

Coreen Jenner, Ki-Low-Na Friendship Society Representative

Peggy Joe, Okanagan Indian Band Representative

Kevin Ned, Okanagan Indian Band Alternate

Sherry Landry-Braun, Parent Representative

Loretta Swite, Westbank First Nation Representative

Edna Terbasket, Ki-Lo-Na Friendship Society Representative

Pauline Terbasket, Okanagan Nation Alliance Representative

Tic Williams, Parent Representative

The Director of Instruction K-12 also mentioned the Aboriginal Program staff including Alice Gro, Coordinating Teacher; Karen Chase, Cultural Facilitator; Shirley Fears, Secretary to the Director of Instruction K-12, and Claudia Hardy, Cultural Facilitator Assistant.

There were numerous members of the Aboriginal Education Committee and Aboriginal Program Staff in attendance.

Tic Williams, Parent Representative, was introduced and provided the Board with information on a meeting scheduled for February 8, 2007 at Hollywood Road Education Services at 7:00 p.m. to establish an Aboriginal Parent & Family Association to help strengthen the communication with parents of Aboriginal students.

The Director of Instruction K-12 introduced Denise Clough, Westbank First Nation Representative, who presented the Board with a plaque commemorating the signing of the Aboriginal Enhancement Agreement. The artwork was created by Will Swite, a Westbank First Nation artist, "to represent the guiding principles of the Enhancement Agreement". The painting is of the Medicine Wheel depicting the four goals of the Enhancement Agreement including emotional, spiritual, academic and physical. The artwork presented to the Board is the original and all Trustees were provided with a copy of the painting.

Trustee Baxter provided a School District pin to those in attendance and thanked everyone for attending.

## **PUBLIC QUESTION AND COMMENT PERIOD**

## **TRUSTEE QUERIES/COMMENTS**

All trustees were provided with an opportunity to comment on their involvement, since the previous Board meeting, in District activities.

## **ACTION ITEMS**

### **Draft Amendments to Policies**

(attachment)

Recommendation of Superintendent of Schools and CEO Evaluation Committee:

Trustee Cacchioni, as a member of the Superintendent of Schools and CEO Evaluation Committee, introduced the recommendation.

*Main*

07P-016

MOVED by Trustee Cacchioni, SECONDED by Trustee Horning,  
**THAT: The Board approve the amendments to Policy 175 - Superintendent of Schools and CEO Evaluation Committee, as attached and as presented at the January 24, 2007 Public Board Meeting.**  
**CARRIED**

*Main*

07P-017

MOVED by Trustee Cacchioni, SECONDED by Trustee Horning,  
**THAT: The Board approve the amendments to Policy 210 - Superintendent of Schools Role Description, as attached and as presented at the January 24, 2007 Public Board Meeting.**  
**CARRIED**

*Main*

07P-018

MOVED by Trustee Cacchioni, SECONDED by Trustee Horning,  
**THAT: The Board approve the amendments to Policy 140 – School Board Committees, as attached and as presented at the January 24, 2007 Public Board Meeting.**  
**CARRIED**

**Capital Project Bylaw No. 115431**  
**2006-2007 Approved Bus Projects**  
(attachment)

The Secretary-Treasurer introduced the recommendation.  
The Secretary-Treasurer responded to questions for clarification.

*Main*

07P-019

MOVED by Trustee Horning, SECONDED by Trustee Cacchioni,  
**THAT: At the January 24, 2007 Public Board Meeting, the Board gives first, second and third readings to School District No. 23 Capital Project Bylaw No. 115431: 2006-2007 Approved Bus Projects, in the amount of \$931,000.00 for 2006-2007 Approved Bus Projects.**  
**CARRIED**

*Main*

07P-020

MOVED by Trustee Cacchioni, SECONDED by Trustee Horning,  
**THAT: School District No. 23 Capital Project Bylaw No. 115431: 2006-2007 Approved Bus Projects, be read a first, second and third time this 24<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2007.**  
**CARRIED**

**French Immersion Program Mandate Confirmation**  
(attachment)

The Superintendent reviewed the Memo of January 15, 2007, which Memo is attached to and forms part of the Public Agenda of January 24, 2007.

*Main*

07P-021

MOVED by Trustee Horning, SECONDED by Trustee Scanlan,  
**THAT: The Board confirm the French Immersion Program mandate as outlined in the Superintendent's Memorandum dated January 15, 2007, and as presented at the January 24, 2007 Public Board Meeting.**

The Board discussed the contents of the Memo of January 15, 2007. Once the Board has confirmed the mandate of the French Immersion Program with the approval of Main Motion 07P-021, the Memo will be placed on the School District website and made available to all parents in the community.

**The question was called on 07P-021.**  
**CARRIED**

## **Revenue and Expense Summary at December 31, 2006**

(attachment)

Recommendation of the Finance and Legal Committee – January 17, 2007

Trustee Cacchioni, as a member of the Finance and Legal Committee, introduced the recommendation.

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07P-022

MOVED by Trustee Cacchioni, SECONDED by Trustee Scanlan,

**THAT: The Board approve the Revenue and Expense Summary at December 31, 2006 as presented at the January 24, 2007 Public Board Meeting.**

**CARRIED**

Trustee Scanlan thanked Eileen Sadlowski, Director of Finance, for the easy to read and understand format of the Revenue and Expense Summary.

## **PUBLIC QUESTION AND COMMENT PERIOD**

### **INFORMATION ITEMS**

#### **Field Trips for 2006/2007**

(attachment)

#### **Board Committee Information - 2007**

##### **Board Standing Committee Membership**

##### **Board Representatives to Provincial Representative Assemblies**

##### **Board Representatives on District Committees**

(attachment)

Trustee Horning requested clarification on the Board Representatives to Outside Committees/Organizations. Further information from Outside Committees/Organizations has been requested and Trustee representatives on Outside Committees/Organizations will continue as previously indicated until further notice.

Trustee Horning requested that the Committee Schedule be referred to the next Planning and Facilities Committee meeting to discuss the commencement time for Planning and Facilities Committee meetings.

#### **School Bus Safety Week**

(attachment)

Trustee Baxter confirmed January 29, 2007 through February 2, 2007 as School Bus Safety Week.

## **BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS**

## BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

Sent: The Honourable Shirley Bond regarding School Fees and Amendment to School Act and Regulations

Received: School District No. 47 (Powell River) – copy of letter to The Honourable Carole Taylor regarding Exempt Staff Compensation Framework  
School District No. 68 (Nanaimo-Ladysmith) – copy of letter to The Honourable Shirley Bond regarding changes to legislation and programs and consultation with School Districts and School Fees  
Canadian Parents for French – BC and Yukon Branch regarding Francopalooza event  
C. Newmarch regarding Support for Arts-Based School of Choice  
BCSTA regarding Learning in Action Showcase at BCSTA Innovation Academy on December 7 through 9, 2006

*Main*

07P-023

MOVED by Trustee Cacchioni, SECONDED by Trustee Nicholl,

**THAT: At the January 24, 2007 Public meeting, the Board receive the correspondence listed above.**

**CARRIED**

## FUTURE REGULARLY SCHEDULED BOARD MEETINGS

Regular Public Board Meeting  
Wednesday, February 14, 2007 at 6:00 p.m., School Board Office

Regular Public Board Meeting  
Wednesday, February 28, 2007 at 6:00 p.m., School Board Office

## SPECIAL PUBLIC BOARD MEETINGS

## BOARD STANDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS

February 7, 2007

4:30 Committee I – General Affairs

6:30 Committee III – Education and Student Services

February 21, 2007

4:00 Committee II – Planning and Facilities

6:30 Committee V – Finance and Legal Committee

## ITEMS REQUIRING SPECIAL MENTION

## BC PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYERS' ASSOCIATION

### BCPSEA Annual General Meeting

Date: January 26 and 27, 2007  
Location: Coast Plaza Hotel & Suites  
1763 Comox Street  
Vancouver, B.C.

Trustee Scanlan is attending as the BCPSEA Trustee representative.

The Board discussed the proposed resolution on Exempt Staff Compensation.

**By consensus, the Board agreed that the Trustee representative for the BC Public School Employers' Association vote in favour of the proposed Resolution on Exempt Staff Compensation at the BC Public School Employers' Association Annual General Meeting on January 26 and 27, 2007.**

The Board discussed the proposed resolution on Conflict of Interest.

### *Main*

07P-024

MOVED by Trustee Cacchioni, SECONDED by Trustee Horning,  
**THAT: The Trustee representative for the BC Public School Employers' Association vote in favour of the proposed Resolution on Conflict of Interest at the BC Public School Employers' Association Annual General Meeting on January 26 and 27, 2007.**  
**CARRIED**  
**Opposed: Trustee Baxter and Trustee Nicholl**

## BC SCHOOL TRUSTEES' ASSOCIATION

### BCSTA Provincial Council Meeting

Date: February 9 and 10, 2007  
Location: Coast Plaza Hotel & Suites  
1763 Comox Street  
Vancouver, B.C.

Trustee Cacchioni is attending as the BCSTA Provincial Council Alternate Trustee representative. Trustee Cacchioni, upon receipt of information from BCSTA, will distribute to all Trustees the proposed Motions for the BCSTA Provincial Council Meeting for their review.

### BCSTA Branch Meeting

Date: February 23 and 24, 2007  
Location: Nicola Valley Institute of Technology  
Merritt, B.C.

### BCSTA Annual General Meeting 2007

Date: April 19-22, 2007  
Location: Victoria Conference Centre  
Victoria, B.C.

## NOTICES OF MOTION

Trustee Scanlan:

THAT: The Board write letters to the Provincial Government and Federal Government regarding the reduction of funding for child care programs and cancellation of services;

AND FURTHER THAT: The Provincial and Federal Government perform a comprehensive review and investigation of the current child care crisis.

Trustee Scanlan:

THAT: The Board send a Resolution to the BCSTA Annual General Meeting urging Provincial and Federal Governments to:

- review the cancellation of funding for child care programs and services and the impact imposed on children/programs and the community;
- adopt a proactive role in the provision of equity of access to affordable, quality child care;
- ensure accessibility to adequate training and development, recruitment and retention of quality Early Childhood Education (ECE) care providers.

## ITEMS FOR BOARD COMMITTEES

Planning and Facilities Committee – Committee Schedule review

## ITEMS FOR A FUTURE AGENDA

**ADJOURNMENT:** The Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 6:58 p.m.

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Chairperson

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Secretary-Treasurer