



"Together We Learn"

School District No. 23  
(Central Okanagan)

# BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES

## PUBLIC BOARD MEETING MINUTES

DATE: **WEDNESDAY, MAY 9, 2007**

TIME: 6:00 PM

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

### Attending:

Trustee M. Baxter (Chairperson)  
Trustee R. Cacchioni  
Trustee A. Hunt-Binkley  
Trustee S. Nicholl  
Trustee G. Scanlan  
Trustee C. Wiebe  
Absent: Trustee W. Horning

Staff:  
M. Roberts, Superintendent  
H. Gloster, Assistant Superintendent  
L. Paul, Secretary-Treasurer  
M. Essler, Executive Assistant (Recorder)

### Partner Group Representatives Attending:

COPAC	Deb Butler, President
COTA	Tom Potts, President
COPVPA	No Representative
CUPE	No Representative
DSC	No Representative

### ORDER:

The Chairperson called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

### AGENDA

Delete	Action Item	7.2 – Draft Amendments to Regulation 635R – Property Dispositions
Add	Action Item	7.5 – “Stolen Lives” Video
Add	Information Item	9.4 – Proposed New Vision and Mission Statements
Add	Correspondence	Sindi Hawkins, MLA, regarding Eagle Mountain proposed gravel pit

### AGENDA

*Main*

07P-088 **MOVED** by Trustee Cacchioni, **SECONDED** by Trustee Scanlan,  
**THAT: The Agenda for May 9, 2007 be adopted as amended.**  
**CARRIED**

## MINUTES

Main

07P-089

MOVED by Trustee Scanlan, SECONDED by Trustee Nicholl,

**THAT: The Minutes of the Public Board meeting of April 25, 2007 be adopted as distributed.**

**CARRIED**

## SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

The Superintendent provided the following report:

- As graduation events are commencing this weekend and will continue through to the end of June 2007, the Superintendent will be emphasizing with Principals and Student Councils how critical it is for behaviour to be appropriate and the safety of students to remain our focus. This is a time of celebration of achievement, and we are hoping for cooperation of students and parents to keep everyone safe.
- The BCIT and SD No. 23 Dual Credit/Dual Credentials Graduation Ceremony for our Electricity and Industrial Electronics, Electronics Common Core and Computer Information System Technician programs has been rescheduled to Monday, June 25, 2007 at Rutland Senior Secondary School commencing at 7:00 p.m.

## RECOGNITION/PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATION

## 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.

### **Trustee Nicholl**

- The Youth Advisory Committee is holding an Environmental School Forum on May 16, 2007 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Martin Education Centre. All Trustees are invited to attend.

### **Trustee Baxter**

- Trustee Baxter referred to a news article with regard to adventure playgrounds and requested clarification from the Superintendent on the parameters for the Board paying for the installation of adventure playground equipment.  
*The Superintendent provided clarification on the previous Motions approved by the Board with regard to adventure playgrounds. Schools with adventure playgrounds that were built using pressure treated lumber were offered School District funded installation of new playground equipment for the purpose of accelerating the removal of the material. Schools with aging adventure playgrounds are expected to pay the cost of both material and installation of the new equipment.*

## ACTION ITEMS

### School Act Class Size/Class Composition Update Report

(attachment)

In attendance: Rod Odlum, Director of Instruction – Human Resources

Rod Odlum, Director of Instruction – Human Resources, confirmed that the requirement of the School Act is to report any time during the school year when the class size guidelines and/or class composition guidelines are exceeded. The Board must approve the Report for submission to the Ministry of Education. The report provided at the Public Board Meeting of May 9, 2007 indicates the exceptions for the month of April 2007.

*Main*

07P-090

MOVED by Trustee Wiebe, SECONDED by Trustee Nicholl,

**THAT: The Board approve for submission to the Minister of Education, the attached School Act Class Size/Class Composition Update Report for the month of April, 2007, as presented at the May 9, 2007 Public Board Meeting.**

**CARRIED**

### Lease Agreement - Wood Lake Site

(attachment)

The Secretary-Treasurer provided an overview of the proposed Lease Agreement and advised that the Lease Agreement had been reviewed by legal counsel.

*Main*

07P-091

MOVED by Trustee Cacchioni, SECONDED by Trustee Nicholl,

**THAT: The Board approve, in principle, a five (5) year Lease agreement between the District of Lake Country and School District No. 23 for Lot A, District Lot 169, Plan 18890, ODYD for the use of an off-leash dog park, with the provision that the District of Lake Country must comply with the School District No. 23 Policy on pesticide and weed control.**

The Board discussed the Lease Agreement and the Secretary-Treasurer responded to questions.

**The question was called on 07P-091.**

**CARRIED**

**Opposed: Trustee Scanlan**

### Letter to BCSTA regarding Agenda Format

Recommendation from Public Board Meeting – April 25, 2007

Trustee Hunt-Binkley introduced the recommendation. The Board discussed an amendment to the recommendation.

*Main*

07P-092

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

**THAT: The Board write a letter to the BCSTA requesting a change in format of the AGM Agenda to complete all the AGM Resolutions without interruption.**

**CARRIED**

## **“Stolen Lives” Video**

Trustee Cacchioni introduced the recommendation.

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07P-093

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

**THAT: The Board endorse the documentary DVD “Stolen Lives” as an optional educational resource and join with the RCMP in promoting it;**

**AND FURTHER THAT: The Board recommends the showing of the DVD to Grade 10, 11 and 12 students.**

**CARRIED**

## **PUBLIC QUESTION AND COMMENT PERIOD**

### **Tom Potts, President, COTA**

- Expressed thanks to the Board for their ongoing financial support for the Central Okanagan Teachers’ Association Social Justice initiatives including SCOPE (Students Creating Opportunities for the Promotion of Equality), Care & Make It Fair and FIT (Fighting Injustice Together). A DVD produced by a student from the Rutland Senior Secondary School video production class from the SCOPE conference from last year was provided to the Board for their review.

### **Deb Butler, President, COPAC**

- Requested a copy of the “Stolen Lives” video to show at next COPAC Meeting.  
*The Superintendent will provide a copy of the DVD to the COPAC President.*

## **INFORMATION ITEMS**

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

(attachment)

### **Field Trips for 2007/2008**

(attachment)

### **Month End Enrollment Report – April 2007**

(attachment)

### **Proposed New Vision and Mission Statements**

The Chairperson advised that the Board will be forwarding to partner groups the last draft of the Vision and Mission Statements for their review and comments. The request is for any comments from the partner groups to be received prior to June 1, 2007.

## BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

### Trustee Wiebe

#### - Education and Student Services Committee

At the Education and Student Services Committee meeting of May 2, 2007, the Committee was provided with information from Norm Bradley, Director of Instruction K-12, on the Ministry of Education changes to the Portfolio requirements. Also discussed at the meeting was the Program Review Template. This template has been attached to the Committee Report from the May 2, 2007 meeting. The Committee requests that Trustees and partner groups review the template which is to be used as a tool to evaluate programs in our District. The template will be placed as an action item on the Education and Student Services Committee meeting in June 2007.

## BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

- Sent: Honourable Richard Neufeld, Minister of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources regarding gravel pit applications within School District No. 23  
News Directors or Editors of local media acknowledging coverage by the media during Education Week
- Received: The Honourable Shirley Bond regarding Amendments to the *School Act* in relation to School Fees  
Sean Murphy, Director, Catholic Civil Rights League regarding Human Rights Code School District No. 20 (Kootenay-Columbia) – copy of letter to Ms. Lyn Hall, Chairperson, Board of School Trustees, School District No. 57 (Prince George) regarding Bill 20  
School District No. 63 (Saanich) – copy of letter to The Honourable Shirley Bond regarding Bill 20  
School District No. 38 (Richmond) – copy of letter to The Honourable Shirley Bond regarding proposed Provincial Demonstration Schools  
School District No. 44 (North Vancouver) – copy of letter to The Honourable Shirley Bond regarding Proposed Legislation – Bill 20  
School District No. 42 (Maple Ridge-Pitt Meadows) – copy of letter to The Honourable Shirley Bond regarding Bill 21 – Employer’s Registry  
School District No. 42 (Maple Ridge-Pitt Meadows) – copy of letter to The Honourable Shirley Bond regarding Bill 22 and proposed amendments to *School Act*  
School District No. 42 (Maple Ridge-Pitt Meadows) – copy of letter to The Honourable Shirley Bond regarding proposed changes to *School Act* contemplated within Bills 20, 21 and 22  
Sindi Hawkins, MLA, regarding Eagle Mountain proposed gravel pit

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07P-094

MOVED by Trustee Wiebe, SECONDED by Trustee Nicholl,

**THAT: At the May 9, 2007 Public meeting, the Board receive the correspondence listed above.**

**CARRIED**

**FUTURE REGULARLY SCHEDULED BOARD MEETINGS**

Regular Public Board Meeting  
Wednesday, May 23, 2007 at 6:00 p.m., School Board Office

Regular Public Board Meeting  
Wednesday, June 13, 2007 at 6:00 p.m., School Board Office

**SPECIAL PUBLIC BOARD MEETINGS**

**BOARD STANDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

May 16, 2007  
1:00 Committee V – Finance and Legal Committee  
4:30 Committee II – Planning and Facilities Committee

June 6, 2007  
4:30 Committee I – General Affairs  
6:30 Committee III – Education and Student Services

**ITEMS REQUIRING SPECIAL MENTION**

**BC PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYERS’ ASSOCIATION**

**BC SCHOOL TRUSTEES’ ASSOCIATION**

**NOTICES OF MOTION**

**ITEMS FOR BOARD COMMITTEES**

**ITEMS FOR A FUTURE AGENDA**

Proposed New Vision and Mission Statements

**ADJOURNMENT:** The Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 6:49 p.m.

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Chairperson

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Secretary-Treasurer