



"Together We Learn"

School District No. 23  
(Central Okanagan)

# BOARD OF EDUCATION PUBLIC BOARD MEETING MINUTES

DATE: **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24, 2009**  
TIME: 6:00 PM  
LOCATION: School Board Office  
1940 Underhill Street  
Kelowna, B.C.

## Attending:

Trustee R. Cacchioni (Chairperson)  
Trustee M. Baxter  
Trustee W. Horning  
Trustee A. Hunt-Binkley  
Trustee G. Scanlan  
Trustee J. Watson  
Absent: Trustee G. Given

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

## Partner Group Representatives Attending:

COPAC	No representative
COTA	Tom Potts, President
COPVPA	Jill Voros, Executive Member
CUPE	Ryan Miller, Vice-President
DSC	No representative

## ORDER:

The Chairperson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

## AGENDA

Add	New Information	New Item 9.7 – Report by Trustee Watson Attendance at School District No. 34 (Abbotsford) – Paperless Board Meeting
Add	New Correspondence	New Opportunities for Women (NOW) Canada Society regarding affordable housing initiative on Tutt Street

## AGENDA

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09P-143 **MOVED** by Trustee Watson, **SECONDED** by Trustee Scanlan,  
**THAT: The Agenda for June 24, 2009 be adopted as amended.**  
**CARRIED**

## MINUTES

*Main*

09P-144

MOVED by Trustee Hunt-Binkley, SECONDED by Trustee Watson,  
**THAT: The Minutes of the Public Board meeting of June 10, 2009, 2009 be adopted as distributed.**  
**CARRIED**

## RECOGNITION/PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATION

### Recognition:

#### **Amanda Kraft, Student, Kelowna Secondary School**

2<sup>nd</sup> Place – 2009 Begbie Canadian History Contest

Trustee Cacchioni presented Amanda with a Certificate of Recognition and School District pin on behalf of the Board.

#### **Grad Safety Radio Star Contest**

##### **Winning Entry: Jeff Piattelli, Student, Kelowna Secondary School**

Trustee Scanlan presented Jeff with a Certificate of Recognition and School District pin on behalf of the Board.

#### **Jenna Cumbers and Jade McGilvray, Students, Mount Boucherie Secondary School**

Trustee Watson presented Jenna and Jade with Certificates of Recognition and School District pins on behalf of the Board.

#### **Provincial Champions – Grade 9 Newton Math Contest**

##### **Constable Neil Bruce Middle School**

Trustee Baxter presented James Pengilly, Math teacher at Constable Neil Bruce Middle School, with a Certificate of Recognition and School District pin on behalf of the Board. Also in attendance were students Megan Domerchie and Victor Sun.

## SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

### **The Superintendent provided the following report:**

#### **Year In Review**

The Superintendent reviewed the academic achievements and construction progress of the Board over the past year. As this was the Superintendent's last Board Meeting after twenty-nine years in the District, he expressed his appreciation to the Board, partner groups and School District staff.

## PUBLIC QUESTION AND COMMENT PERIOD

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

As Mr. Potts is retiring, he expressed appreciation to the Board of Education for the work they have done and will continue to do on behalf of the students of School District No. 23 and the entire community. Mr. Potts also expressed best wishes to Mike Roberts as he moves on to BCPSEA, and to Hugh Gloster in his new role as Superintendent.

## TRUSTEE QUERIES/COMMENTS

### ACTION ITEMS

#### **Okanagan Mission Secondary School – Theatre Fundraising Initiative** (attachment)

Modified recommendation of the Planning and Facilities Committee – May 20, 2009  
Deferred from the June 10, 2009 Public Board Meeting

This item was deferred from the June 10, 2009 Public Board Meeting as the Board requested further information regarding confirmation from an architect that the current site can accommodate the proposed 300 student addition as well as the theatre with amenities and associated parking. The Board also requested information on an estimate of the operating costs and potential revenue. The theatre template used was the 532 seat theatre at McGee Secondary School. The site layouts presented confirm that the proposed school expansion and theatre can be located on the site provided that the school academic expansion is constructed as a two storey structure. The operating costs for a 550 seat theatre would be approximately \$50,000 per year. For a 550 seat theatre there would be an approximate 5% increase in overall cost for building maintenance, heating and lighting. The revenue generated by the rental of the facilities could be between \$20,000 to \$30,000. The request of the Okanagan Mission Secondary School Committee is to receive approval in principle in order that fundraising may commence. Donors will be advised that in the event sufficient funds are not raised and/or the theatre is not approved, donors will have the option of having their money refunded or applied towards other Fine Arts program upgrades.

#### *Main*

09P-145

MOVED by Trustee Horning, SECONDED by Trustee Scanlan,  
**THAT: The Board of Education give approval in principle to Okanagan Mission Secondary School to fundraise for the construction of a theatre as an addition to the proposed building expansion;**  
**AND FURTHER THAT: The Operations Department undertake further investigation into the theatre as part of the Okanagan Mission Secondary School Project Identification Report which will be undertaken later this year for the expansion to the school.**  
**CARRIED**

The Board discussed contacting the City of Kelowna to ascertain if they would be interested in developing a partnership in the project.

#### *Main*

09P-146

MOVED by Trustee Baxter, SECONDED by Trustee Scanlan,  
**THAT: The Board confirm with the City of Kelowna the Board's approval of Motion 09P-145, and ask if the City of Kelowna is interested in becoming a partner in the project.**  
**CARRIED**

### **Career Development Education Program Review Report**

(attachment)

In attendance: Norm Bradley, Director of Instruction K-12

Recommendation of the Education and Student Services Committee – June 3, 2009

Trustee Watson, as Chairperson of the Education and Student Services Committee, introduced the recommendation. Norm Bradley, Director of Instruction K-12, provided a brief overview of the Career Development Education Program Review Report.

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09P-147

MOVED by Trustee Watson, SECONDED by Trustee Scanlan,

**THAT: The Board of Education approve the Career Development Education Program Review;**

**AND THAT: The Board of Education approve the program name change from “Career Programs” to “Career/Life Programs”.**

**CARRIED**

### **Transition Programs Review Report**

(attachment)

In attendance: Norm Bradley, Director of Instruction K-12

Recommendation of the Education and Student Services Committee – June 3, 2009

Trustee Watson, as Chairperson of the Education and Student Services Committee, introduced the recommendation. Norm Bradley, Director of Instruction K-12, provided a brief overview of the Transition Programs Review Report.

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09P-148

MOVED by Trustee Watson, SECONDED by Trustee Baxter,

**THAT: The Board of Education support the continuation of the Transition Programs in their current configuration;**

**AND THAT: The Board of Education approve the name change from Transition Programs to Dual Credit Programs.**

**CARRIED**

### **Adoption – Annual Budget Bylaw 2009/2010**

(attachment)

Recommendation of the Finance and Legal Committee – June 17, 2009

Trustee Watson, on behalf of Trustee Given, Chairperson of the Finance and Legal Committee, introduced the recommendation.

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09P-149

MOVED by Trustee Watson, SECONDED by Trustee Scanlan,

**THAT: The School District No. 23 Annual Budget Bylaw for the fiscal year 2009/2010 (as attached) be given all three readings at the Public Board Meeting of June 24, 2009.**

**CARRIED**

**Abstained: Trustee Horning (conflict of interest)**

*Main*

09P-150

MOVED by Trustee Watson, SECONDED by Trustee Scanlan,

**THAT: The School District No. 23 Annual Budget Bylaw for the fiscal year 2009/2010, in the amount of \$170,878,668 be read a first, second and third time and finally adopted this 24<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2009.**

**CARRIED**

**Abstained: Trustee Horning (conflict of interest)**

**“Status Quo” School District Annual Budget Fiscal Year 2009/2010**

(attachment)

Motion 09P-084 – April 22, 2009 Public Board Meeting

THAT: The Board forward to the Minister of Education a Status Quo budget to include the additional \$3 million shortfall this District needs to maintain all the programs and services.

Recommendation of the Finance and Legal Committee – June 17, 2009

The Board discussed the “Status Quo” School District Annual Budget Fiscal Year 2009/2010 and inclusion of an appendix to indicate how the \$3 million shortfall is affecting the students of School District No. 23.

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09P-151

MOVED by Trustee Watson, SECONDED by Trustee Scanlan,

**THAT: The Board of Education forward to the Minister of Education the Status Quo Budget, as attached and as presented at the June 24, 2009 Public Board Meeting, with a copy also being forwarded to the British Columbia School Trustees Association and the four local MLAs.**

**CARRIED**

**Abstained: Trustee Horning (conflict of interest)**

**Opposed: Trustee Hunt-Binkley**

**District Achievement Contract 2009/2010**

(attachment)

Recommendation:

The Board discussed the amendment to the heading on the chart on page 17 of the District Achievement Contract.

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09P-152

MOVED by Trustee Watson, SECONDED by Trustee Horning,

**THAT: The Board of Education approve the Achievement Contract 2009/2010, as presented and amended at the Public Board Meeting of June 24, 2009;**

**AND FURTHER THAT: By July 15, 2009, it be submitted to the Minister of Education and made available publicly by way of the District’s website.**

**CARRIED**

## **Chute Lake Elementary School – Construction Borrowing**

(attachment)

Recommendation:

The Secretary-Treasurer provided background information to the Board on the commitment of the Board towards the construction costs of Chute Lake Elementary School. The Board committed \$4.4 million of Capital Reserve to be generated from Board owned property sales. As the Board does not have sufficient funds in the Capital Reserves to satisfy their obligation, the request is for the authorization to establish a borrowing line of credit of an amount not to exceed \$4,400,000, which borrowing authority has been granted by the Ministry of Education in the Project Agreement, and which line of credit is to be repaid within 24 months of the opening of the school.

*Main*

09P-153

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

**THAT: The Board authorize the Secretary-Treasurer to establish a borrowing line-of-credit of an amount not to exceed \$4,400,000 to meet the cash flow requirements for the completion of the construction of Chute Lake Elementary School (formerly identified as Mission Hills Elementary School);**

**AND THAT: All monies borrowed be repaid not later than 24 months after the completion of Chute Lake Elementary School.**

**CARRIED**

## **Review of Community Rental Program Rates**

(attachment)

Recommendation of the Finance and Legal Committee – June 17, 2009

Trustee Watson, on behalf of Trustee Given as Chairperson of the Finance and Legal Committee, introduced the recommendation. The last adjustment of rental rates was effective July 1, 2005. The recommended increase is equivalent to approximately 5% to reflect increasing costs.

*Main*

09P-154

MOVED by Trustee Watson, SECONDED by Trustee Horning,

**THAT: The Board approve the amendments to Policy 650 – Public Use of School Facilities, Regulation 650R – Public Use of School Facilities, and Appendix 650A – Public Use of School Facilities Schedule of Rental Fees, as attached and as presented at the June 24, 2009 Public Board Meeting.**

**CARRIED**

## **Start Times for Incamera Board Meetings**

Recommendation:

*Main*

09P-155

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

**THAT: The Incamera Board Meetings scheduled for September through to December, 2009 commence at 3:30 p.m.**

**CARRIED**

## **PUBLIC QUESTION AND COMMENT PERIOD**

### **Ron Hallick and Dr. Peter Dill, Okanagan Mission Resident's Association**

Mr. Hallick and Dr. Dill requested the Board's consideration in leasing the Anne McClymont Primary School site to the Okanagan Mission Resident's Association for a community center. The center could provide all day, before and after school childcare. The successful operation of a childcare center for a three year period would be a way to demonstrate to the City of Kelowna that it is an advantage to the community.

*The Board Chairperson confirmed that the Board is awaiting further instructions/information from the Ministry of Education regarding the possible implementation of all day Kindergarten and early childhood education. In the event the Ministry of Education initiates all day Kindergarten, the Anne McClymont Primary space may have to be utilized for that purpose. Also, the School District is committed to \$4.4 million towards the construction of Chute Lake Elementary School. The Bellevue Creek Elementary School site is currently for sale as a means to provide this funding with Anne McClymont Primary School as a potential "backup" sale.*

### **Karen Bernath, COTA Pro-D Chairperson**

Ms. Bernath introduced Jessica Martin, the COTA Pro-D Chairperson, for 2009/2010. The Board was provided with an invitation to attend the COTA Summer Institute "Teacher Matters" on September 1 to 3, 2009 at various sites throughout the District.

## **INFORMATION ITEMS**

### **Central Okanagan Parent Advisory Council Executive for 2009/2010**

(attachment)

### **Central Okanagan Teachers' Association Executive for 2009/2010**

(attachment)

### **General Statement**

(attachment)

### **Month End Enrolment – May 2009**

(attachment)

### **Field Trips for 2008/2009**

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The Board discussed the planned Mount Boucherie Secondary School field trip to Nairobi, Kenya for March 6 through 13, 2010. The Assistant Superintendent confirmed that this field trip application is in compliance with current Board Policy. The school has been requested to obtain information and report back on the plan in the event a political situation arose at the destination, and information on an alternate field trip destination which would provide the same outcomes.

The Board discussed schools providing a presentation to the Board, on unique field trips, to explain the field trip prior to departure, and then providing a presentation to the Board upon their return.

**Report by Trustee Watson**

**Attendance at School District No. 34 (Abbotsford) – Paperless Board Meeting**

Trustee Watson reported to the Board on his attendance at the School District No. 34 (Abbotsford) Public Board Meeting on June 6, 2009 where he observed the operation of the Electronic School Board Paperless Board Meetings. The report included an electronic demonstration.

**BOARD/DISTRICT COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Finance and Legal Committee – June 17, 2009**

The next meeting of the Finance and Legal Committee is scheduled for September 16, 2009 at 1:00 p.m. The Committee also discussed the scheduling of incremental working committee sessions to investigate and evaluate future cost reduction options and strategies. The dates for these working committee sessions will be discussed at the September 16, 2009 meeting.

**BOARD CORRESPONDENCE**

**Received:**

**Correspondence Directed to the Board:**

Elnora Larder and Jeannette Mergens regarding Earth Hour 2010  
James Gorman, Deputy Minister, regarding spending of Aboriginal education target amount for 2007/08  
Petition – Removal of Speed Bumps in the public North/South lane of Campus East between Campus West and Raymer Elementary (Kelowna Secondary School)  
Robert Levin regarding Presentation on Tennis Courts at Okanagan Mission Secondary School  
Mayor Sharon Shepherd, City of Kelowna, regarding Child Poverty  
New Opportunities for Women (NOW) Canada Society regarding affordable housing initiative on Tutt Street

**Summary of Copies of Letters received by the Board:**

School District No. 39 (Vancouver) – copy of letter to Ron Ensom, Coalition on Physical Punishment of Children and Youth, regarding endorsing the Canadian Joint Statement on Physical Punishment of Children and Youth  
*Background information on the Coalition on Physical Punishment of Children and Youth will be requested from the Director of Instruction – Student Support Services and provided to the Board at a future Board meeting.*

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09P-156

MOVED by Trustee Watson, SECONDED by Trustee Scanlan,

**THAT: At the June 24, 2009 Public meeting, the Board receive the correspondence listed above.**

**CARRIED**

**FUTURE REGULARLY SCHEDULED BOARD MEETINGS**

Regular Public Board Meeting  
Wednesday, September 9, 2009 at 6:00 p.m., School Board Office

Regular Public Board Meeting  
Wednesday, September 23, 2009 at 6:00 p.m., School Board Office

**SPECIAL PUBLIC BOARD MEETINGS**

**BOARD STANDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

September 16, 2009  
1:00 Finance and Legal Committee

October 7, 2009  
4:30 General Affairs Committee  
6:30 Education and Student Services Committee

**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**

**ADJOURNMENT:** The Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 7:54 p.m.

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Chairperson

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Secretary-Treasurer