



"Together We Learn"

School District No. 23  
(Central Okanagan)

# BOARD OF EDUCATION PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

**DATE:** Wednesday, October 27, 2010  
**TIME:** 6:00 PM  
**LOCATION:** School Board Office  
1940 Underhill Street  
Kelowna, B.C. V1X 5X7

## Attending:

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

## Staff:

H. Gloster, Superintendent  
L. Paul, Secretary-Treasurer  
T. Beaudry, Assistant Superintendent  
K. Hannigan, Executive Assistant (Recorder)

## Partner Group Representatives Attending:

COPAC	No representative
COTA	Alice Rees, President
COPVPA	Scott McLean, President
CUPE	No representative
DSC	Teagan Welsh, Co-President

## ORDER

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

## AGENDA

Additions/Amendments/Deletions

Add	Action Item	7.2 Letter to the new Minister of Education, George Abbott
Add	Action Item	7.3 School Site Acquisition Charge

## Main

10P-176 **MOVED** by Trustee Hunt-Binkley, **SECONDED** by Trustee Scanlan,  
**THAT: The Agenda for October 27, 2010 be adopted as amended.**  
**CARRIED**

## MINUTES

### Public Board Meeting - October 13, 2010 (attachment)

*Main*

10P-177

MOVED by Trustee Watson, SECONDED by Trustee Hunt-Binkley,  
**THAT: The Minutes of the Public Board Meeting of October 13, 2010 be adopted as distributed.**  
**CARRIED**

## RECOGNITION/ PRESENTATION/DELEGATIONS

### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

The Superintendent reported that the implementation of Full Day Kindergarten in September, 2011 will result in demands on facility space that are causing the Board of Education to look at options and to consider the opportunities that might exist. One possible option for creating Kindergarten space in parts of the community is to move the grade 7 students in both the Mission and Lake Country into the neighbourhood secondary schools.

Another challenge that is being considered at the present time is how to deliver the French Immersion Program in the District in the years to come. This is a program that is in significant demand, and any changes have to be considered within the context of the additional demand for space for Full Day Kindergarten.

The Board of Education has approved timelines and work plans for considering these topics between now and January 12, 2011.

The Superintendent commended Parent Advisory Councils and interested staff for engaging in the consultation sessions and providing valuable feedback.

### PUBLIC QUESTION/COMMENT PERIOD

The purpose of this public question/comment period is to provide an opportunity to members of the gallery to ask a question or comment on any items on the agenda. The total time for this period shall normally be 15 minutes. A person wishing to speak is requested by the Chairperson of the Board to state his/her name and provide, if possible, a written copy of the comments.

### TRUSTEES QUERIES/COMMENTS

Trustee Horning reported that KLO Middle School had partnered with Winkler Prinz School, Veendam, Holland as a sister school.

## ACTION ITEMS

### Addendum to the Master Joint Use Agreement with the District of West Kelowna (attachment)

*Main*

10P-178

MOVED by Trustee Horning, SECONDED by Trustee Scanlan,  
**THAT: The Board of Education lift Main Motion 10P-159, as tabled at the September 22, 2010 Public Board Meeting.**  
**CARRIED**

*Main*

10P-159

MOVED by Trustee Horning, SECONDED by Trustee Scanlan,  
**THAT: The Board of Education approve the Site Specific Joint Use Agreement For Constable Neil Bruce Middle School and Mount Boucherie Community Centre, as attached and as presented at the September 22, 2010 Public Board Meeting.**

Recommended Amendment of the Planning and Facilities Committee - October 20, 2010:

*Amendment*

10P-179

MOVED by Trustee Horning, SECONDED by Trustee Scanlan,  
**THAT: The Board of Education approve the Site Specific Joint Use Agreement For Constable Neil Bruce Middle School and Mount Boucherie Community Centre, ~~as attached and as presented at the September 22, 2010 Public Board Meeting,~~ as presented as an amended Addendum at the October 20, 2010 Planning and Facilities Committee meeting, and as attached and presented at the October 27, 2010 Public Board Meeting.**

The Board discussed the amendments to the Addendum to the Joint Use Agreement for Constable Neil Bruce Middle School and the equality of the Agreement. The Board agreed to have staff prepare an annual report each September, detailing the use by all facilities that are involved in Joint Use Agreements with the District of West Kelowna, City of Kelowna, and District of Lake Country.

**The question was called on Main Motion 10P-159 as amended by Motion 10P-179.**

**CARRIED**

**Opposed: Trustee Baxter**

### Write a letter to the Minister of Education

Recommendation of Trustee Baxter

The Board discussed writing a letter to the newly appointed Minister of Education, the Honourable George Abbott, and inviting him to visit School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan). The Board also agreed to write a letter recognizing the past Minister of Education, Margaret MacDiarmid for her service to the province and wish her well in her new portfolio.

*Main*

10P-180

MOVED by Trustee Baxter, SECONDED by Trustee Given,  
**THAT: The Board of Education write to the new Minister of Education, the Honourable George Abbott, congratulating him on his appointment and inviting him to visit us in the Central Okanagan School District, with a copy of the letter to be sent to all local MLA's.**  
**CARRIED**

Main  
10P-181

MOVED by Trustee Hunt-Binkley, SECONDED by Trustee Watson,  
**THAT: The Board of Education write a letter to the outgoing Minister of Education, the Honourable Margaret MacDiarmid, thanking her for her service to the province and wishing her well in her new portfolio.**  
**CARRIED**

**School Site Acquisition Charge**  
Recommendation of Trustee Baxter

Trustee Baxter reported that both the District of West Kelowna and the District of Peachland have delayed approving the School Site Acquisition Charge within their municipalities, until a request is made by the School District to the Westbank First Nation to voluntarily participate in the School Site Acquisition Charge. The Board discussed the School Site Acquisition Charge implementation and arbitration process as legislated by the Provincial Government and agreed that it did not intend to ask Westbank First Nation to participate in the process.

Main  
10P-182

MOVED by Trustee Baxter, SECONDED by Trustee Scanlan,  
**THAT: The Board of Education does not intend to ask Westbank First Nation to consider voluntarily participating in the School Site Acquisition Charge implementation proposal and that all relevant parties are notified.**  
**CARRIED**  
**Opposed: Trustee Cacchioni and Trustee Horning**

**PUBLIC QUESTION/COMMENT PERIOD**

This public question/comment period is to provide an opportunity to members of the gallery to ask a question or comment on any matter pertaining to public education.

Scott Walker, SMARTRISK *No Regrets*, invited the Board of Education to the MySafeRideHome event at Prospera Place on November 2, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. Scott Walker provided information on the prepaid taxi service, which will assist in the safeguarding of all age groups by saving lives, reducing injuries and risk-related crashes and minimizing the impact of social costs on society. The purpose of MySafeRideHome is to enable a 'priority service' or 'quick pick-up' feature for local taxi service providers in order to deliver a 24/7 risk intervention program to participants.

**INFORMATION ITEMS**

**Updated Timelines**

The Superintendent presented the French Immersion Review 2010 Timeline, as well as the Grade 7's Future in Mission and Lake Country Schools Timeline, outlining that the final decisions will be made at the January 12, 2011 Public Board Meeting.

**French Immersion Review 2010 Timeline**  
(attachment)

**Grade 7's Future in Mission and Lake Country Schools Timeline**  
(attachment)

## **French Immersion Program Supplemental Review 2010**

(attachment)

Referred by General Affairs Committee - October 6, 2010

The Superintendent reported that the French Immersion Program Supplemental Review 2010 was a report carried forward from the General Affairs Committee meeting on October 6, 2010. There had been one amendment changing the final date of the decision by the Board to January 12, 2011.

## **French Immersion Public Consultation Meeting Update**

The Superintendent reported that the French Immersion Public Consultation Meeting had been well attended, and that to date, there had been 181 written submissions from parents, PAC's, and staff regarding the program.

## **Month End Enrolment - September 30, 2010**

(attachment)

The Board discussed the Month End Enrolment - September 30, 2010 data and noted that the French Immersion enrolment line did not include the Half Day Kindergarten students. The Secretary-Treasurer reported that the Enrolment Report would be resubmitted to the Board once all numbers were verified.

## **General Statement**

(attachment)

## **Field Trips 2010/2011**

(attachment)

## **BOARD/DISTRICT COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **BOARD CORRESPONDENCE**

**Sent:** Mayor and Council, District of Lake Country, a letter regarding the appointment of and RCMP Liaison Officer to serve the schools of Lake Country.

**Received:** **Correspondence Directed to the Board:**  
A letter from the Honourable Margaret MacDiarmid, Minister of Education, regarding approval to underspend the targeted Aboriginal education funding.

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

School District No. 42 (Maple Ridge & Pitt Meadows), to the Honourable Margaret MacDiarmid, a letter regarding Accessible Resource Centre - British Columbia (ARC).

School District No. 42 (Maple Ridge & Pitt Meadows), to the Honourable Margaret MacDiarmid, a letter regarding British Columbia Enterprise Student Information System BCeSIS.

School District No. 20 (Kootenay-Columbia), to the Select Standing Committee on Finance & Government Services, a letter regarding the provincial budget and fiscal policy.

School District No. 20 (Kootenay-Columbia), to the Honourable Margaret MacDiarmid, Minister of Education, a letter regarding BCeSIS.

School District No. 43 (Coquitlam), to the Select Standing Committee on Finance & Government Services, a letter regarding Achievement levels.

*Main*

10P-183

MOVED by Trustee Given, SECONDED by Trustee Watson,

**THAT: At the October 27, 2010 Public Board Meeting, the Board receive the correspondence listed above.**

**CARRIED**

#### **ITEMS REQUIRING SPECIAL MENTION**

##### **Grade 7's Future in Mission and Lake Country Schools - Public Consultation -**

- Monday, November 8, 2010 at 6:30 p.m. at George Elliot Secondary School Library
- Tuesday, November 9, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. at Okanagan Mission Secondary School Multi Purpose Room

#### **BC PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYERS' ASSOCIATION**

##### **2010 Symposium - Insight and Opportunities - November 4-5, 2010 Vancouver, BC**

Attendees: Trustee Scanlan, Trustee Given, and Trustee Hunt-Binkley.

#### **BC SCHOOL TRUSTEES ASSOCIATION**

##### **BCSTA Trustee Academy**

Date: December 9 - 11, 2010

Location: Westin Bayshore  
Vancouver, BC

#### **FUTURE MEETINGS**

##### **REGULARLY SCHEDULED BOARD MEETINGS**

Regular Public Board Meeting

Wednesday, November 10, 2010 at 6:00 p.m., School Board Office

Regular Public Board Meeting

Wednesday, November 24, 2010 at 6:00 p.m., School Board Office

## **BOARD STANDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

General Affairs Committee  
Wednesday, November 3, 2010 at 2:00 p.m., School Board Office

Human Resources and Staff Services Committee  
Wednesday, November 3, 2010 at ~~3:00~~ **4:30** p.m., School Board Office  
*Trustee Watson to attend in Trustee Baxter's absence.*

Education and Student Services Committee  
Wednesday, November 3, 2010 at ~~7:00~~ **6:30** p.m., School Board Office

## **NOTICES OF MOTION**

Recommendation of Trustee Scanlan

THAT: The Board of Education write a letter to Adrienne Montani of First Call B.C. and support the initiative "A Call for a B.C. Poverty Reduction Plan", that reaffirms the call for the Government of BC to launch a comprehensive and accountable Poverty Reduction Plan aimed at dramatically reducing homelessness and poverty in our Province.

## **ITEMS FOR A FUTURE AGENDA**

Month End Enrolment Update

**ADJOURNMENT:** The Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 7:17 p.m.

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Chairperson

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Secretary-Treasurer