



"Together We Learn"

School District No. 23
(Central Okanagan)

BOARD OF EDUCATION PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

*(Second and Fourth Wednesday of every month, except July, August and the fourth Wednesday in December,
at the School Board Office.)*

DATE: Wednesday, June 13, 2012
TIME: 6:00 PM
LOCATION: School Board Office
1940 Underhill St.
Kelowna, B.C. V1X 5X7

Attending:

Board of Education:

Trustee R. Cacchioni
Trustee M. Baxter
Trustee J. Brinkerhoff
Trustee D. Butler
Trustee C. Gorman
Trustee J. Fraser
Trustee M. Pendharkar

Staff:

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

Partner Group Representatives Attending:

COPAC	Shaun Bos – Incoming President and Val Broman, Incoming Member at Large
COTA	Alice Rees – President, Susan Bauhart - First Vice-President and April Smith – Second Vice-President
COPVPA	Russ Bischoff, Principal – Dorothea Walker Elementary School
CUPE	Wendy Johnson, Vice-President
DSC	No representative

ORDER

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

AGENDA

Additions/Amendments/Deletions

<i>Add:</i>	<i>Action Item</i>	<i>7.4 School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan) Long Term Facility Plan (Additional Information)</i>
<i>Amend:</i>	<i>Information Item</i>	<i>9.3 Field Trips 2011/2012 (Amended information)</i>

Main

12P-083 MOVED by Trustee Fraser, SECONDED by Trustee Brinkerhoff,
THAT: The Agenda for June 13, 2012 be adopted as amended.
CARRIED

MINUTES

Public Board Meeting – May 23, 2012

Main

12P-084 MOVED by Trustee Gorman, SECONDED by Trustee Butler,
THAT: The Minutes of the Public Board Meeting of May 23, 2012 be adopted as distributed.
CARRIED

RECOGNITION/ PRESENTATION/DELEGATIONS

Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal Award

Recipient: Mr. Graeme Stacey, Teacher – Kelowna Secondary School

The Board of Education congratulated Graeme Stacey, Teacher – Kelowna Secondary School, for receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal Award for his outstanding and tireless efforts on behalf of the Canadian Hong Kong Veterans in educating teachers, students and the public in bringing awareness of the unknown story of World War II “C” Force.

Rotary Club/School District No. 23 Public Speaking Contest Winners

Grade 6

- 1st place Sydney Ingram, Dorothea Walker Elementary School
- 2nd place Lorena Madrazo, Hudson Road Elementary School
- 3rd place Helena Liegmann, Anne McClymont Elementary School

Grade 7

- 1st place Cate Hanlon, Anne McClymont Elementary School
- 2nd place Talston Scott, Dorothea Walker Elementary School
- 3rd place Claire Robb, Dorothea Walker Elementary School

The Board of Education recognized the above students as winners in the Rotary Club/School District No. 23 Public Speaking Contest. The Board of Education also thanked the Rotary Club for its many contributions to the District and the community.

Wyatt Auto Parts & Westward Tools Award Recipients

- Kolton Jansons, Gr. 12, Rutland Senior Secondary School (BCIT Dual Credit Diesel Engine Technician Foundation Program)
- Patric Tutt, Gr. 12, OKM Secondary School (BCIT Motorcycle and Marine Technician Foundation Program)

The Board of Education recognized the above students for receiving the Wyatt Auto Parts & Westward Tools Award.

BC Association of School Business Officials - Larry Ozero Leadership Award

Recipient: Larry Paul, Secretary-Treasurer

The Board of Education congratulated Larry Paul, Secretary-Treasurer, for recently receiving the Larry Ozero Leadership Award.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

The Superintendent reported the following:

- Celebration of Staff, Students, Partner Groups and Trustees

72 staff members were congratulated on their retirement this year at the annual SD No. 23 Retirement Banquet. Graduation ceremonies have taken place, or are scheduled to take place, for secondary schools throughout the District, with 2,200 students graduating this year. The graduation rate has risen in SD No. 23 due to the efforts of Trustees, staff, students and Partner Groups.

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 Fraser

Requested information on traffic changes to the Constable Neil Bruce Middle School parking/drop-off area.

The Secretary-Treasurer advised that the District has a plan to reconfigure the parking area, however the plan relies on local government approval. ICBC has recommended certain changes to the District of West Kelowna and SD No. 23 is awaiting a response from the District of West Kelowna.

ACTION ITEMS

Draft Achievement Contract 2012/2013

The Superintendent provided a brief review of the highlights of the draft Achievement Contract. The Ministry of Education requires school districts to formulate an Achievement Contract which demonstrates a clear directional path for the district and includes analysis of data, student achievement, and methods for improving levels of achievement. The Ministry has established specific criteria for the format of the Achievement Contract.

Trustees discussed the information provided and requested clarification of the difference between assessment and evaluation.

7:08 pm: *Trustee Gorman left the meeting.*

7:10 pm: *Trustee Gorman returned to the meeting.*

Main

12P-085

MOVED by Trustee Baxter, SECONDED by Trustee Fraser,

THAT: The Superintendent adjust the Assessment and Evaluation Section of the Achievement Contract to clearly identify the difference of assessment for/of students and evaluation of students, as a precursor to the introduction of the section.

CARRIED

Main

12P-086

MOVED by Trustee Fraser, SECONDED by Trustee Brinkerhoff,

THAT: The Board of Education approve the 2012/2013 Achievement Contract, as attached and as amended at the June 13, 2012 Public Board Meeting.

CARRIED

2012-2013 CommunityLINK Allocations

A brief review of the CommunityLINK funding allocation was provided, including information regarding the recommended distribution of school-based funds, which were allocated after consultation with elementary principals and the Health Promoting Schools Committee. Additional funding has been set aside for five half day inservice sessions for lead contacts in elementary schools in order to share best practices across the district. CommunityLINK funding is received from the Ministry of Education and has an established set of parameters for use of the funds.

Main

12P-087

MOVED by Trustee Gorman, SECONDED by Trustee Fraser,

THAT: The Board of Education approve the recommended CommunityLINK Allocations for 2012-2013, as attached and as presented at the June 13, 2012 Public Board Meeting.

Trustees discussed the information provided and requested clarification regarding contracting out of services to ARC Programs.

The question was called on Main Motion 12P-087.

CARRIED

Revised 2012-2013 School Calendar

The amendment to the school calendar reflects the government's announcement of the official Family Day, February 11, 2013.

Main

12P-088

MOVED by Trustee Baxter, SECONDED by Trustee Butler,

THAT: The Board of Education adopt a Local School Calendar for the 2012-2013 school year that recognizes the revised date for Family Day (from February 18 to February 11);

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Superintendent direct school Principals, in consultation with staff and parents, to establish a site-based calendar for the 2012-2013 school year, with the revision, prior to June 30, 2012; and

In establishing such calendars, principals must:

- a. Conform to the School Act and Regulations, applicable Collective Agreements, and School District No. 23 Board Policy.**
- b. Schedule school parent/teacher conference times.**
- c. Schedule their school's calendar as follows:**

DESIGNATION	B.C. Standard School Calendar 2012/2013	Proposed SD No. 23 Local Calendar 2012/2013
Days in session	194	194 (3 summer Pro Days Aug. 28 – Aug. 30)
Number of days of instruction	187	187*
Number of non-instructional days	6	3
Schools open	September 4	September 4
Administrative Implementation Day	September 21	October 5
Thanksgiving Day (schools closed)	October 8	October 8
Teacher Professional Day	October	October 19
Remembrance Day (schools closed)	November 12	November 12
Schools close for Winter vacation	Friday December 21	Friday December 21
Winter vacation period (schools closed)	December 24- January 4	December 24- January 4
Schools reopen after Winter vacation	Monday January 7	Monday January 7
Teacher Professional Day (Support Staff In-Service Day)	February 15	February 15
Family Day		February 11
Schools close for Spring vacation	Friday March 15	Friday March 8
Spring vacation period (schools closed) Standard Local Variation	March 18-22	March 18-22 + March 11-15
Schools reopen after Spring vacation	Monday March 25	Monday March 25
Good Friday (schools closed)	March 29	March 29
Easter Monday (schools closed)	April 1	April 1
Victoria Day (schools closed)	May 20	May 20
Administrative Day (students do not attend)	Friday June 28	Friday June 28
Schools close	Friday June 28	Friday June 28

- d. Maintain the Ministry prescribed minimum number of minutes of student instruction per day (Kindergarten to Grade 7 – 4.75 hours per day, middle/secondary grades 7 to 12 – 5.15 hours per day). *By withdrawing three non-instructional days from the standard school calendar to the summer and adding a small number of minutes per school day (3 minutes for Elementary and 4 minutes for Middle/Secondary), we would be maintaining the same total hours of instruction for students and meet the minutes required for 187 days of instruction (as in the B.C. Standard School Calendar).

CARRIED

School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan) Long Term Facility Plan

Trustee Baxter, Chairperson of the Planning and Facilities Committee, provided a brief review of the Long Term Facility Plan as discussed at the May 30, 2012 Planning and Facilities Committee Meeting.

Main

12P-089

MOVED by Trustee Baxter, SECONDED by Trustee Gorman,

THAT: The District work towards the long term goal of phasing in a consistent grade configuration in all areas of the District with K – 5 elementary schools, Grade 6 – 8 middle schools and Grade 9 – 12 senior secondary schools.

The timing of changes to the grade configuration structure will be based upon:

- The best needs of the students
- The needs of each individual and unique community within the school district
- The need to manage growth and the best use of existing school buildings
- Financial considerations

The Board discussed the recommendation.

The question was called on Main Motion 12P-089.

CARRIED

OPPOSED: Trustee Pendharkar, Trustee Brinkerhoff

Main

12P-090

MOVED by Trustee Baxter, SECONDED by Trustee Butler,

THAT: When planning for construction of new schools, where appropriate, the enrolment capacities fall within the following sizes:

- Elementary schools – 350 to 500 students (optimum 400 students)
- Middle schools – 500 to 800 students (optimum 650 students)
- Secondary schools – 1,200 to 2,000 students (optimum 1,500 students)

CARRIED

OPPOSED: Trustee Pendharkar

Main

12P-091

MOVED by Trustee Baxter, SECONDED by Trustee Gorman,

THAT: The French Immersion middle school program be decentralized to provide greater accessibility to French Immersion middle school students in outlying areas of the District, provided that the program is sustainable in terms of enrolment, location, form and cost.

CARRIED

Main

12P-092

MOVED by Trustee Baxter, SECONDED by Trustee Butler,

THAT: Early Learning Programs be provided at regionally located schools, and wherever possible, at those schools that have been identified through the Early Learning Development Indicator as those schools that have the greatest need. The location of any Early Learning Program must be sustainable in terms of capacity availability, enrolment, location, form and cost.

CARRIED

Main

12P-093

MOVED by Trustee Baxter, SECONDED by Trustee Butler,

THAT: To serve the diverse educational needs of students, distinct schools, unique programs and specialty academies be supported, provided that the specific program is approved by the Board, the program operates within the parameters of the School Act, there is available space, qualified staff and evidence of student demand, and the program is financially feasible and sustainable.

CARRIED

Invitation to the Minister of Education

Trustee Gorman, Vice-Chairperson, provided a brief review of the Coordinating Committee's discussion regarding extending an invitation to the Minister of Education to visit the District.

Main

12P-094

MOVED by Trustee Gorman, SECONDED by Trustee Fraser,

THAT: The Board of Education invite the Minister of Education to visit the School District to review its educational initiatives.

CARRIED

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.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Central Okanagan Teachers' Association (C.O.T.A.) 2012/2013 Executive

The information provided was reviewed.

Central Okanagan Parent Advisory Council (C.O.P.A.C.) 2012/2013 Executive

The Board reviewed the information provided. The incoming COPAC President will provide COPAC Executive 2012/2013 contact information to the Secretary-Treasurer's office.

Field Trips 2011/2012

Trustees reviewed the information, including the amendment, provided.

Field Trips 2012/2013

The information provided was reviewed.

General Statement

BOARD/DISTRICT COMMITTEE REPORTS

BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

Sent:

Received: Correspondence Directed to the Board

Minister of Education, May 10, 2012, in response to the Board's letter regarding the appointment of a mediator under Bill 22, the *Education Improvement Act*.

Ki-Low-Na Friendship Society, May 25, 2012, regarding voting seats on the Aboriginal Education Council.

Ann Bell, May 31, 2012, to the Board of Education, the Kelowna Métis Association and Westbank First Nation, regarding recent speeches given by Mr. Leo Brazeau.

Summary of Copies of Letters received by the Board

SD No. 64 (Gulf Islands), May 28, 2012, to the Minister of Education with copies to the Premier, MCFD, the Minister of Health, and all BC Boards of Education, regarding a community plan for a public system of integrated early care and learning.

SD No. 64 (Gulf Islands), May 29, 2012, to the Minister of Education with copies to the Minister of Community, Sport and Cultural Development, the Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure, and all BC Boards of Education, regarding the Salish Sea Statement: Cycling and Rural Mobility.

SD No. 43 (Coquitlam), May 31, 2012, to the Ministry of Education and all BC Boards of Education, regarding Policy Change – Education Guarantee.

Main

12P-095

MOVED by Trustee Gorman, SECONDED by Trustee Fraser,

THAT: At the June 13, 2012 Public Board Meeting, the Board receive the correspondence listed above.

CARRIED

ITEMS REQUIRING SPECIAL MENTION

BC PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYERS' ASSOCIATION

BC SCHOOL TRUSTEES ASSOCIATION

Call for Presentations for the 2012 Educational Leadership Conference in Vancouver on November 15 & 16, 2012

(Deadline for a response: June 15, 2012)

FUTURE MEETINGS

REGULARLY SCHEDULED BOARD MEETINGS

Regular Public Board Meeting
Wednesday, June 27, 2012, at 6:00 pm, School Board Office

Regular Public Board Meeting
Wednesday, September 12, 2012, at 6:00 pm, School Board Office

BOARD STANDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Planning and Facilities Committee Public Meeting
Wednesday, June 20, 2012 at 4:30 pm at the School Board Office

NOTE: The Board agreed that this meeting start time would be amended to 3:30 pm.

Finance and Legal Committee Public Meeting
Wednesday, June 20, 2012 at 6:30 pm at the School Board Office

BOARD MEETINGS WITH PARTNER AND COMMUNITY GROUPS

NOTICES OF MOTION

ITEMS FOR A FUTURE AGENDA

ADJOURNMENT: The Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 7:53 pm.

Chairperson

Secretary-Treasurer