



**Central Okanagan
Public Schools**
Together We Learn

BOARD OF EDUCATION PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

(Second and fourth Wednesday of each month, with the exception of January (which will be the third and fifth Wednesday), July and August, and with the exception of the fourth Wednesday in March and December, at the School Board Office, at 6:00 PM.)

The Central Okanagan Board of Education acknowledged that this meeting was being held on the Traditional Territory of the Okanagan People.

DATE: Wednesday, January 17, 2018
TIME: 6:00 pm
LOCATION: School Board Office
1940 Underhill Street
Kelowna, B.C. V1X 5X7

Attending:

Board of Education:

Trustee M. Baxter (Chairperson)
Trustee D. Butler
Trustee R. Cacchioni
Trustee J. Fraser (*absent*)
Trustee C. Gorman
Trustee L. Mossman
Trustee L. Tiede

Staff:

K. Kaardal, Superintendent of Schools/CEO
E. Sadlowski, Secretary-Treasurer/CFO
T. Beaudry, Deputy Superintendent
C. Diel, Executive Assistant (*Recorder*)

Partner Group Representatives Attending:

COPAC	No representative
COPVPA	Scott Sieben, President
COTA	Susan Bauhart, President
CUPE	David Tether, President
DSC	Riko Mizushima, Co-President, Okanagan Mission Secondary School and Darius Konstant, Co-President, Mount Boucherie Secondary School

ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:02 pm.

AGENDA

Additions/Amendments/Deletions

Main

18P-001 MOVED by Trustee Butler, SECONDED by Trustee Tiede,
THAT: The Agenda for the January 17, 2018 Public Board Meeting be adopted as distributed.
CARRIED

MINUTES

Public Board Meeting – December 13, 2017

Main
18P-002

MOVED by Trustee Butler, SECONDED by Trustee Mossman,
THAT: The Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of December 13, 2017 be adopted as distributed.
CARRIED

Main
18P-003

MOVED by Trustee Butler, SECONDED by Trustee Mossman,
THAT: The Minutes of the Public Board Meeting of December 13, 2017 be adopted as distributed.
CARRIED

CENTRAL OKANAGAN PUBLIC SCHOOLS – "INSIDE 23"

"A Mindful Teaching Community: Possibilities for Teacher Professional Learning"

Editor: Kelly Hanson, Faculty of Education Advisor, UBCO
Contributors: Deanne Collinson, Shawna Denman, Doryan Elliott, Melissa Johnson, Clay McLeod, Jeanne Parker, Michael Ross, Ryan Sorgie.

"A Mindful Teaching Community: Possibilities for Teacher Professional Learning" describes a grassroots professional learning journey wherein a group of practicing classroom teachers research their teaching practices and the role of mindfulness in their learning. Using a mix of methods, this book illustrates how the stories of an educator can be uncovered, investigated, and transformed through practicing mindfulness within a community. Through the stories told in this collection, the teachers learn to see greater connections between their individual ways of thinking, their actions, and the greater system they live and work in. The storied inquiry of the educators offers unique possibilities for teachers' professional learning." (*Amazon.ca*)

Teacher Mr. McLeod described the 'mindfulness practice' and its influence on enhancing engagement, teaching and learning. Mindfulness practices include a foundation focused on kindness, an open mind and an open heart and are tailored to meet different needs and to address different goals.

The Board of Education commended all involved in co-authoring this educational resource.

RECOGNITION/PRESENTATION/DELEGATIONS

Recognition: Christine Diel, Executive Assistant to the Secretary-Treasurer/CFO

The Board of Education welcomed Christine Diel to the School District.

Presentation: Using Alternative Forms of Communicating Student Learning to Support the Implementation of the Redesigned Curriculum

In attendance: Jamie Robinson, District Principal for Leadership & Learning in Innovation
Ashley Ragoonaden, Principal, KLO Middle School
Karin Dumont, Teacher, KLO Middle School
Melanie Charest, Teacher, KLO Middle School

Mr. Robinson reported on the implementation of District Policy 506 - *Principles of Assessment*. Teachers Charest and Dumont, who are collaborating on implementing the redesigned curriculum and piloting an alternate form of communicating student learning, described the pedagogical shift and the success of the pilot. Student learning and involvement have been achieved through the use of learning records in digital portfolios that included teacher feedback sections to identify areas and strengths as well as next steps in the learning journey. The elimination of grades provides students and parents more information and shifts the conversation to accomplishments and goals. Student testimonials were presented that emphasized the appreciation for the new model.

The Board of Education and Superintendent/CEO commended Ms. Charest and Ms. Dumont for their work.

Presentation: Forum Prototype for Rutland Family of Schools – Community School Learning Plans

Assistant Superintendent Jon Rever introduced an upcoming Community Forum hosted by the Rutland Family of Schools on January 30th, from 6:00 to 7:30pm. The Forum will highlight School Community Learning Plans and give parents the opportunity to see what students are engaged in, provide feedback and suggestions. The event will be facilitated by students, teachers, principals and vice-principals and will seek to engage the participants through an interactive format.

6:58 pm: *The meeting was recessed.*

7:05 pm: *The meeting was reconvened.*

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

ACTION ITEMS

Appointment of Board Standing Committee Members

Trustees were confirmed and/or appointed to the Board Standing Committees as follows:

Education and Student Services Committee:

Chair: Trustee Tiede

Members: Trustee Cacchioni and Trustee Mossman

Finance and Audit Committee:

Chair: Trustee Fraser

Members: Trustee Tiede and Trustee Cacchioni

Planning and Facilities Committee:

Chair: Trustee Gorman

Members: Trustee Butler and Trustee Fraser

Policy Committee:

Chair: Trustee Butler

Member: Trustee Gorman and Trustee Mossman

Executive Staff Management Committee:

Chair: Trustee Mossman

Member: Trustee Baxter and Trustee Butler

Appointment of Trustee Representatives to the District Bargaining Committee

Main
18P-004

MOVED by Trustee Gorman, SECONDED by Trustee Mossman,

THAT: Trustee Butler be appointed as the Board's Representative to the District Bargaining Committee.

CARRIED

Appointment of Trustee Representatives to the Aboriginal Education Council

The Board agreed to appoint Trustee Butler and Trustee Fraser as representatives to the Aboriginal Education Council. Trustee Mossman agreed to serve as Alternate.

Opportunity to Develop Dual Credit Course(s) with Vancouver Film School

The Superintendent of Schools/CEO provided a brief overview of the work being done at the District level regarding the development of a Dual Credit Partnership with the Vancouver Film School. The Education and Student Services Committee will be reviewing the curriculum. Once complete, the compilation of information will be presented to the Board at a future meeting.

Main
18P-005

MOVED by Trustee Cacchioni, SECONDED by Trustee Butler,

THAT: The Board of Education approve the development of a Dual Credit partnership with the Vancouver Film School.

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

Superintendent's Emergent Issues

The Superintendent of Schools/CEO had no emergent issues to report.

Board Representatives on District Committees

Trustee appointments to District Committees will be discussed and finalized at the January 20, 2018 Board interchange and presented at the January 31, 2018 Public Board Meeting.

Board Representatives on Outside Committees/Organizations/Agencies

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Level 4 and 5 Field Study Summary

The Board reviewed the information provided.

General Statement – December 13, 2017

The Board reviewed the information provided. Trustee Gorman advised that had he been able to attend the December 13, 2017 Meeting, he would have recused himself from the Meeting during discussions surrounding the Human Resources Action Items due to a potential conflict of interest.

General Statement – December 21, 2017

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BOARD/DISTRICT COMMITTEE QUERIES/COMMENTS AND REPORTS

BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

Sent:

Received: Correspondence Directed to the Board

Summary of Copies of Letters received by the Board

Rutland Residents Association, December 18, 2017, to the Minister of Education,
Re: Rutland Middle School

Main
18P-006

MOVED by Trustee Gorman SECONDED by Trustee Mossman,
THAT: At the January 17, 2018 Public Board Meeting, the Board receive the correspondence listed above.
CARRIED

The Board of Education agreed that the Board Chair will respond to the Rutland Residents Association.

ITEMS REQUIRING SPECIAL MENTION

The President of the Central Okanagan Teachers' Association announced the opening of the new COTA office located at 200 Dougall Road, Unit 101. She invited Trustees to visit the new space and suggested that the meeting between the Board and COTA, which had previously been cancelled due to weather conditions, could be held at their new office. The COTA President advised further details would be forthcoming.

The Superintendent/CEO reported on the following:

- French Immersion Open Houses for new Kindergarten students are taking place in the coming weeks and information is available on the District website.

- Online enrolment for Kindergarten, new students and Schools of Choice K-12 opens February 5th at 7:00am. Schools will be open to provide support to parents who require assistance.
- On January 12, 2018, secondary principals and senior leaders from around the region attended the BCSSA Thompson-Okanagan Branch Regional Graduation Learning Years Program Forum at Hollywood Road Education Services. The purpose of the Forum was to talk about best practices, ideas and challenges on the implementation of the program.
- The BCIT Dual Credit Graduation Ceremony will be taking place Thursday, January 18, 2018 at 6:00pm at Rutland Senior Secondary School.
- Graduation statistics have been received from the Ministry of Education. The District enjoys a strong graduation rate; however, numbers are skewed as they include International students and students attending Academies and these students only attend Central Okanagan Public Schools on a temporary basis. The full report is expected to be available in February.
- The Deputy Superintendent noted the January 2018 edition of *Together We Learn* will be distributed to all schools next week. The Deputy Superintendent extended appreciation to the students who wrote the majority of the articles which showcase their own learning journey, and to the Principals, teachers and District staff for their input as well.

BC PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYERS' ASSOCIATION

BCPSEA 24th Annual General Meeting

Date: Thursday, January 25 to Friday, January 26, 2018
 Location: Vancouver, BC

BC SCHOOL TRUSTEES ASSOCIATION

BCSTA Thompson Okanagan Branch Nomination Committee

The Board was previously provided with information pertaining to upcoming elections.

BCSTA Provincial Council Meeting

Date: Friday, February 16 to Saturday, February 17, 2018
 Location: Vancouver, BC

BCSTA Thompson Okanagan Branch Meeting

Date: Friday, February 23 to Saturday, February 24, 2018
 Location: Kelowna, BC

BCSTA Annual General Meeting

Date: Thursday, April 26 to Sunday, April 29, 2018
 Location: Vancouver, BC

FUTURE MEETINGS

REGULARLY SCHEDULED BOARD MEETINGS

Regular Public Board Meeting
Wednesday, January 31, 2018 at 6:00 p.m., School Board Office

Regular Public Board Meeting
Wednesday, February 14, 2018 at 6:00pm, School Board Office

BOARD STANDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Finance and Audit
Wednesday, January 24, 2018 at 4:00 pm, School Board Office

Planning and Facilities (*CANCELLED*)
Wednesday, January 24, 2018 at 6:00 pm, School Board Office

BOARD MEETINGS WITH PARTNER AND COMMUNITY GROUPS

District Student Council
Monday, January 22, 2018 at 4:00 pm, School Board Office

NOTICES OF MOTION

ITEMS FOR A FUTURE AGENDA

- *Dual Credit Course(s) with Vancouver Film School (February 14, 2018 Public Board Meeting – Action Item).*
- *Board Representatives on District Committees (January 31, 2018 Public Board Meeting – Information Item).*
- *Board Representatives on Outside Committees/Organizations/Agencies (January 31, 2018 Public Board Meeting – Information Item).*

ADJOURNMENT: The Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 7:31 pm.

Chairperson

Secretary-Treasurer