

BOARD OF EDUCATION PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

(Second and fourth Wednesday of every month, except July and August, and the third Wednesday in March and the second Wednesday in December, at the School Board Office, at 6:00 PM.)

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

DATE: Wednesday, May 24, 2017

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

Trustee C. Gorman Trustee L. Mossman

Trustee L. Tiede

Staff:

K. Kaardal, Superintendent of Schools/CEO

L. Paul, Secretary-Treasurer

T. Beaudry, Deputy Superintendent

H. Wendt, Executive Assistant (Recorder)

Partner Group Representatives Attending:

COPAC Shelley Courtney, President

COPVPA Tamalee Middleton, Member-at-Large

COTA No representative

CUPE David Tether, President (arrived at 6:59 pm)

DSC No representative

ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:08 pm.

AGENDA

Additions/Amendments/Deletions

Delete: Recognition/Presentation/Delegations 4.3 Recognition: Rotary / Central Okanagan Public Schools Public Speaking
Competition Award Recipients (Deferred to Board of Education Public

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Meeting - June 14, 2017)

Main

17P-067 MOVED by Trustee Butler, SECONDED by Trustee Tiede,

THAT: The Agenda for the May 24, 2017 Public Board Meeting be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

MINUTES

Public Board Meeting - May 10, 2017

Main 17P-068

MOVED by Trustee Gorman, SECONDED by Trustee Mossman,

THAT: The Minutes of the Public Board Meeting of April 26, 2017 be adopted as distributed.

CARRIED

ABSTAINED: Trustee Fraser

CENTRAL OKANAGAN PUBLIC SCHOOLS - "INSIDE 23"

Settlement Workers in Schools

Assistant Superintendent, Dr. Rick Oliver, advised Settlement Workers in Schools (SWIS) was initially instituted as a pilot program in 2008 and since that time has seen great success. In the current school year, Central Okanagan Public Schools has seen 924 students arriving into District schools from 68 countries. Dr. Oliver introduced Donna Garbelya and Carol Davidson, two of the International Education SWIS workers, both of whom have recently retired, and also introduced the two incoming SWIS workers, Renate Lutz and Christine Neufeld. All four individuals spoke of the complexity of their roles, the rewarding opportunities to assist families as they transition into a new country and culture, and the outstanding role the District's community partners play in welcoming these families. Dr. Oliver confirmed the SWIS program is federally funded and that a further three-year agreement has been implemented.

RECOGNITION/PRESENTATION/DELEGATIONS

Recognition: Kelowna Secondary School Girls Curling Team

The Board recognized the Kelowna Secondary School Girls Curling Team who placed third in the Provincial Championship which was held in Smithers, BC in March 2017. In attendance was Teacher-Sponsor Mr. Lorne Buna who introduced the Team:

- Skip: Katelyn McGillivray, Grade 10 student, Kelowna Secondary School
- Second: Erika Ellis, Grade 8 student, KLO Middle School
- Third: Anna Trigalet, Grade 12 International student from Belgium,
- Alternate: Grace Milligan, Grade 10 student, Kelowna Secondary School
- Female Chaperone: Mrs. Karen Ellis.

Unable to attend were:

- Coach: Mr. Bob Harris
- Lead: Naiomi Hayward, Grade 9 student, Dr. Knox Middle School.

Recognition: Kelowna Secondary School Girls Basketball Team

The Board recognized the Kelowna Secondary School Girls Basketball Team who won the silver medal at the Provincial Championship held earlier this year. Vice-Principal, Mr. Ryan Mansley, introduced some of the members of the team; however, most of the players and both coaches play basketball on Wednesdays and were not able to be in attendance.

6:44 pm: The meeting was recessed.

6:44 pm: The Deputy Superintendent left the meeting.

6:48 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

Trustee Cacchioni

Queried whether the Board will be responding to the comment made at the recent meeting between the Board of Education and the City of West Kelowna pertaining to electoral equity and that Mayor Findlater had noted the City of West Kelowna requires greater representation.

Upon further discussion, Trustee Cacchioni advised he will consider bringing back further information for the Board's consideration.

6:52 pm: The Deputy Superintendent rejoined the meeting.

ACTION ITEMS

<u>Draft Rewrite of Policy 401 – Role of the Student</u>

Trustee Mossman, Chair of the Education and Student Services Committee, provided an overview of the discussions that had taken place to date including those with District Student Council and the May 3, 2017 Education and Student Services Committee meeting.

Main 17P-069

MOVED by Trustee Mossman, SECONDED by Trustee Fraser,

THAT: The Board of Education approve the rewrite of Policy 401 – Role of the Student and Policy 401(A) – Role of the Student (Appendix), as attached to the Agenda and as presented at the May 24, 2017 Public Board Meeting.

CARRIED

2017/2018 CommunityLINK Allocations

Trustee Cacchioni, Chair of the Finance and Legal Committee, provided an overview of the discussions that had taken place at the May 17, 2017 Finance and Legal Committee meeting.

Main 17P-070

MOVED by Trustee Cacchioni, SECONDED by Trustee Gorman,

THAT: The Board of Education approve the recommended School-Based CommunityLINK Allocations 2017-2018, as attached to the Agenda and presented at the May 24, 2017 Public Board Meeting.

CARRIED

Ministry Early Learning Agreement Approval

The Superintendent of Schools/CEO confirmed this is an annual agreement which comes to the Board for its consideration.

Main

17P-071

MOVED by Trustee Butler, SECONDED by Trustee Tiede,

THAT: The Board of Education approve the new Early Learning Agreement with the Ministry of Education, as attached to the Agenda and presented at the May 24, 2017 Public Board Meeting.

CARRIED

Budget Recommendations

Trustee Cacchioni, Chair of the Finance and Legal Committee, provided an overview of the discussions that had taken place at the May 17, 2017 Finance and Legal Committee meeting. He noted that the recommendations increase expenditures in the 2017/2018 budget by \$229,000; however, monies are in place to accommodate the requests.

Trustee Mossman declared a perceived conflict of interest and recused himself from the discussion pertaining to Main Motion 17P-072.

Main

17P-072

MOVED by Trustee Cacchioni, SECONDED by Trustee Fraser,

THAT: The Board of Education approve the addition of two (2) full time equivalent (FTE) custodians (\$115,000) to the custodial staffing in order to continue to maintain new classroom spaces.

CARRIED

ABSTAINED: Trustee Mossman

6:59 pm: The CUPE President joined the meeting.

Main

17P-073

MOVED by Trustee Cacchioni, SECONDED by Trustee Gorman,

THAT: The Board of Education approve the addition of one (1.0) FTE teaching position (from Core funding) to support the Ministry mandate to indigenize the redesigned curriculum. CARRIED

Main

17P-074

MOVED by Trustee Cacchioni, SECONDED by Trustee Fraser,

THAT: The Board of Education approve the addition of \$5,000 to the 2017/2018 budget for Teacher Inquiry Projects and up to \$10,000 for LSA Support in the fall of 2017 once financial reports for individual LSA's are collected and reviewed.

CARRIED

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INFORMATION ITEMS

Superintendent's Emergent Issues

Potential Flooding

The Superintendent of Schools/CEO advised the District continues to work to protect the schools that may be affected by rising water. While the weather has cooperated somewhat, the District also has plans in place which will provide community gathering sites at schools should large scale evacuations be required.

Shannon Lake Road Bridge

In response to queries from Trustees, the Superintendent of Schools/CEO confirmed a letter of support has been provided to the City of West Kelowna regarding replacement of the bridge on Shannon Lake Road. As well, letters from the District have been sent home to parents through electronic means, as well as being noted in the school newsletters, highlighting the caution required on the road and near the school.

Students' Personal Electronic Devices

The Superintendent of Schools/CEO advised Central Okanagan Public Schools will not be following the practice adopted by a school in Victoria School District No. 61 banning all cell phones. He noted Board Policy 486 – Student Use of Electronic and Social Media Communications outlines the District's expectations of students.

Letter of Support for Replacement of Shannon Lake Road Bridge

The Board Chair confirmed the letter of support was provided to the City of West Kelowna.

<u>Grant Thornton Report to the Finance and Legal Committee – Initial Communication on Audit Planning for the Year Ended June 30, 2017</u>

The Board reviewed the information provided.

School Fees 2017/2018

The Board reviewed the information provided.

Trustee Travel Expenses

The Board reviewed the information provided.

<u>Financial Update – International Education Program</u>

The Board reviewed the information provided.

Suspension Summary Report: 2010-2011 to 2015-2016

The Board reviewed the information provided.

Central Okanagan Teachers' Association 2017-18 Executive Committee

The Board congratulated the COTA Executive on their recent election of the 2017/2018 Executive Committee.

The Board agreed a letter of congratulations will be sent.

<u>The Office of the Ombudsperson – Quarterly Reporting Process Changes and Files Closed</u> from January 1 to March 31, 2017

The Board reviewed the information provided.

Level 4 and 5 Field Study Summary – 2016/2017

The Board reviewed the information provided.

<u>General Statement – May 10, 2017</u>

The Board reviewed the information provided.

General Statement – May 17, 2017

The Board reviewed the information provided.

BOARD/DISTRICT COMMITTEE QUERIES/COMMENTS AND REPORTS

BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

Sent: Mayor Doug Findlater, City of West Kelowna, May 19, 2017, regarding Emergency

Temporary Bridge.

Received: Correspondence Directed to the Board

Ministry of Education, Resource Management and Corporate Services Division, May 10, 2017, regarding Employment Practices Liability Program Survey.

BCSTA President, May 11, 2017, expressing appreciation to Board Chair regarding valuable contributions to 2017 Annual General Meeting.

Summary of Copies of Letters received by the Board

SD No. 42 (Maple Ridge and Pitt Meadows), April 26, 2017, to the Federal Minister of Health, regarding a request for additional provincial funding for Child and Youth Mental Health Services.

Ministry of Education Capital Division, May 10, 2017, regarding Q&As for Districts' 2018/19 Capital Plan discussions.

Ministry of Education, Learning Modernization Project, May 10, 2017, regarding Draft Numeracy Design.

Ministry of Education, Resource Management Division, May 17, 2017, regarding Enrolment Estimate Updates for 2017/18.

Main 17P-075

MOVED by Trustee Mossman, SECONDED by Trustee Fraser,

THAT: At the May 24, 2017 Public Board Meeting, the Board receive the correspondence listed above.

CARRIED

ITEMS REQUIRING SPECIAL MENTION

The Board and the Superintendent of Schools/CEO congratulated the Deputy Superintendent and her team for their work which resulted in an outstanding Aboriginal Education graduation that took place at Kelowna Secondary School on Thursday, May 18, 2017.

The Board advised that the annual Kelowna Secondary School drive-thru breakfast raising funds for Cancer awareness will take place on Thursday, May 25, 2017.

The Superintendent of Schools/CEO advised:

• That on May 18, 2017, the 'Gratitude Project' artwork, an art piece created collaboratively by a local artist, with the support of Central Okanagan Public School students and the University of British Columbia Okanagan Campus, was unveiled in a private ceremony at the new RCMP headquarters in Kelowna.

• The week of May 29 to June 4, 2017 is 'Bike to School and Work Week'. Both the community and bicyclists are encouraged to be cognizant of traffic safety.

BC PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYERS' ASSOCIATION

BC SCHOOL TRUSTEES ASSOCIATION

FUTURE MEETINGS

REGULARLY SCHEDULED BOARD MEETINGS

Regular Public Board Meeting Wednesday, June 14, 2017 at 6:00 p.m., School Board Office

Regular Public Board Meeting Wednesday, June 28, 2017 at 6:00 p.m., School Board Office

BOARD STANDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS

General Affairs Wednesday, June 7, 2017 at 4:00 p.m., School Board Office

Education and Student Services Wednesday, June 7, 2017, 2017 at 6:00 p.m., School Board Office

BOARD MEETINGS WITH PARTNER AND COMMUNITY GROUPS

Board of Education Meeting with City of Kelowna Mayor and Council DATE: Tuesday, June 13, 2017

NOTICES OF MOTION

ITEMS FOR A FUTURE AGENDA

ADJOURNMENT: The Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 7:13 pm.		
Chairperson	Secretary-Treasurer	