

BOARD OF EDUCATION BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan)

Date: Wednesday, May 8, 2013

Recognition:

1. Skills BC Regional Competition, Friday, March 8th at Okanagan College

The Board of Education recognized and congratulated the following students for their placement at the recent Skills BC Regional Competition:

- OKM

1st place: Architectural CAD Category - Taylor Mullins

1st place: Carpentry Category - Lukas Pfob

1st place: Culinary Arts Category - Travis Gilbert

3rd place: Culinary Arts Category - Jacob Day

- MBSS

2nd place: Culinary Arts Category - Mathew Wanbon

1st place: Welding Category - Reilly Hogarth

- KSS

1st place: Fashion Design Category - Madison Jenson

2. Skills BC Provincial Competition, Wednesday, April 17th at the Abbotsford Tradex

The Board of Education recognized and congratulated the following students for their placement at the recent Skills BC Provincial Competition:

- OKM

2nd place: Carpentry Category – Lukas Pfob 3rd place: Architectural CAD – Taylor Mullins

- MBSS

1st place: TV/Film Category – Matthew Wochowski and Adam Kukawski (*These students will be going to the National Competition in Vancouver, June 5 – 8, 2013.*)

Action Items:

1. Amended Policy 405 and Regulations 405R "Student Placement"

The Board of Education approved amendments to Policy 405 and Regulations 405R "Student Placement".

2. Designated Driver Dads Program

The Board of Education recently received a presentation from Paul Nesbitt on the Designated Driver Dads program. The Board agreed to inform Mr. Nesbitt that his request to present the Designated Driver Dads Program to District students was not approved.

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3. Review of the Technology Education Program

The Board of Education requested that staff complete a review of the Technology Education Program in the District, including examining data pertaining to existing class sizes, incident/accident statistics, and the potential implications of introducing class size restrictions on school timetables and operations.

4. Ad Hoc Policy Review Committee – Motion to Amend a Previously Approved Motion

The Board of Education agreed to amend the previously approved Motion on January 30, 2013 for the development of an Ad Hoc Policy Review Committee to review Board Policies. The Motion now reads as follows:

THAT: The Board of Education develop an Ad Hoc Policy Review Committee to establish a process for reviewing Board Policies on an ongoing basis;

AND THAT: The Ad Hoc Policy Review Committee be comprised of three Trustees and a representative from each partner group;

AND FURTHER THAT: The Ad Hoc Policy Review Committee may delegate review of specific policies to Board Standing Committees;

AND FURTHER THAT: The Ad Hoc Policy Review Committee develop and bring forward to the Board a policy on the lowering of flags to half-mast.

Information Items:

The following items were reviewed by the Board:

1. Superintendent's Emergent Issues

The Superintendent thanked the Trustees for all of their efforts to attend/participate in a multitude of elementary, middle, and secondary school functions.

2. Achievement Contract 2013-2014 Timelines/Guidelines

The School Act requires each Board of Education in British Columbia to prepare and submit to the Minister of Education an Achievement Contract with respect to student performance and plans for improving achievement. The timelines and guidelines for the preparation of the 2013-2014 Achievement Contract were provided.

3. Okanagan Mission Area Focus Group

The Superintendent will be scheduling a Focus Group Meeting as soon as possible, consisting of parent representation from each school in the Mission area as follows:

- the PAC president or their designate
- a parent of a current or incoming Kindergarten student
- a parent of a current primary student (grades 1-3)
- a parent of a current intermediate student (grades 4-7)

Information will be forwarded from the Superintendent's office to the Principals of the schools in the Mission area.

4. Central Okanagan Principals' and Vice-Principals' Association (COPVPA)

Information was provided on the composition of the new COPVPA Executive for the 2013-2014 school year.

Next Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting Date:

Public Board Meeting Wednesday, May 22, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. School Board Office The public is welcome to attend.

Next Board Standing Committee Meeting Dates:

Wednesday, May 15, 2013

4:30 pm Planning and Facilities Committee

6:30 pm Finance and Legal Committee (CANCELLED)

The public is welcome to attend.

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