



"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, April 25, 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 J. Fraser
Trustee M. Pendharkar

Staff:

H. Gloster, Superintendent
L. Paul, Secretary-Treasurer
T. Beaudry, Assistant Superintendent
E. Sadlowski, Director of Finance
B. Bertram, Executive Assistant (Recorder)

Trustee C. Gorman *(Absent due to Board Business (BCPSEA Representative Council Meeting) and joined the April 25, 2012 Public Board Meeting via Skype/Teleconference.)*

Partner Group Representatives Attending:

COPAC	No representative
COTA	Alice Rees - President, Susan Bauhart - 1 st Vice-President, and April Smith - 2 nd Vice-President
COPVPA	No representative
CUPE	Darcy Egeland, Shop Steward
DSC	No representative

ORDER

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

AGENDA

Additions/Amendments/Deletions

Amend: Information Item 9.3 Field Trips 2011/2012 (Addition: Number 72, page 4)

Amend: Information Item 9.3 Field Trips 2011/2012 (Addition: Number 74, page 4)

Main

12P-050 MOVED by Trustee Fraser, SECONDED by Trustee Pendharkar,
THAT: The Agenda for April 25, 2012 be adopted as amended.
CARRIED

MINUTES

Public Board Meeting – April 11, 2012

Main

12P-051 MOVED by Trustee Fraser, SECONDED by Trustee Butler,
THAT: The Minutes of the Public Board Meeting of April 11, 2012 be adopted as distributed.
CARRIED

RECOGNITION/ PRESENTATION/DELEGATIONS

Recognition – OKM Teachers - Recipients of the Ken Spencer Award for Innovation in Teaching and Learning

- Carolyn Durley
- Graham Johnson
- Paul Janke

The Board recognized OKM Teachers Carolyn Durley, Graham Johnson and Paul Janke for receiving the Ken Spencer Award for Innovation in Teaching and Learning for their innovative “flipped” classroom concept. The teachers have been recognized by various media outlets nationwide and will be holding a conference on June 21st and 22nd on the “flipped” classroom concept, with 60 – 70 participants attending from across the country (www.flipnetworkcanada.com).

Declaration: “Asian Heritage Month – May 2012”

Ms. Jin Park and Mr. Ken Fix shared information on the celebration of “Asian Heritage Month” in May 2012. Event information can be found at www.asiankelowna.com.

The Chairperson made the following declaration:

The Board of Education declares the month of May 2012 as “Asian Heritage Month” in School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan).

Presentation to the Board – Heather Henderson, Arion Therapeutic Farm

A presentation on the Arion Therapeutic Farm was provided and included a review of the after school program. The Board’s permission was requested in distributing program flyers to schools for student/parent information. Board Policy 740 and 740R (Regulations) “Distribution of Information From Outside Sources” stipulates that organizations are permitted to distribute information to schools provided they are a non-profit agency. Once evidence of the organization’s non-profit status has been confirmed, flyers may be distributed through the regular District information distribution process.

Declaration: National Day of Mourning – April 28, 2012

The Chairperson made the following declaration:

The Board of Education declares April 28, 2012 as a Day of Mourning in School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan) and observes a moment of silence to honour those workers who have been hurt or who have lost their lives in the course of doing their work.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

The Superintendent reported the following:

- The Central Okanagan Teachers’ Association was thanked for its support in navigating through several labour dispute issues. Report cards will be distributed in the usual manner according to schools’ schedules. District-approved graduation events, e.g. commencement exercises and the dinner/dance will proceed; however, they may have a somewhat different format than in previous years.
- Fundraising efforts throughout the District were applauded. The KSS Social Justice Club hosted a recent fundraising breakfast where a significant amount of money was raised to help build a school for less fortunate students. This year’s District-wide Terry Fox Run raised over \$24,600.00. Students and staff across the District were acknowledged for their contributions to

the Canadian Cancer Society Daffodil Campaign during the month of April.

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.

The C.O.T.A. President requested that, for agenda item 7.3 “CUPE Member Employment Opportunities During the Two-Week Spring Break”, the Board consider the financial loss to Teachers-on-Call during that two-week period as well.

TRUSTEES QUERIES/COMMENTS

Trustee Pendharkar

Requested that this agenda item (“Trustees Queries/Comments”) be moved to the end of the agenda, where Trustees could then make comments on the deliberations that took place during the meeting.

The Chairperson responded that this request would be added as a discussion topic on the next Board Interchange agenda.

Trustee Fraser

Requested information on the implementation of the SD23/RCMP jointly offered “S.O.A.R.” (“Skills, Opportunity and Recognition”) Drug Resistance Program which is provided to grade 6 students.

The Superintendent advised that the S.O.A.R. Program has a teacher component within it that requires teacher training in order to deliver the program outcomes. The second round of teacher training is currently being offered and the program is being implemented on a continuing basis throughout District elementary schools as teacher training is completed.

Trustee Baxter

Queried the information contained within Board Meeting Highlights which does not include the many Trustee-attended events celebrated in schools throughout the District each week.

The Chairperson noted that previous Board discussion had taken place regarding the possibility of developing a Trustee “Bulletin Board” on the District’s website where Trustees could post information on school events they have attended. This will be added to a future Board Interchange agenda.

ACTION ITEMS

School Act Class Size/Class Composition Update Report: March 2012

In the absence of the Director of Instruction, Human Resources, the Assistant Superintendent provided a brief review of the information contained within the report.

Main
12P-052

MOVED by Trustee Gorman, SECONDED by Trustee Fraser,

THAT: The Board approve the School Act Class Size/Class Composition Update Report for the month of March 2012, as presented at the April 25, 2012 Public Board Meeting, and the Declaration of Appropriate Learning Situation by the Superintendent be approved for submission to the Minister of Education.

CARRIED

Capital Projects Bylaw No. 126383 – 2012/2013 Annual Facilities Grant

Trustee Baxter, Chairperson of the Planning and Facilities Committee, provided information on the recommendation.

Main
12P-053

MOVED by Trustee Baxter, SECONDED by Trustee Butler,
THAT: At the April 25, 2012 Public Board Meeting, the Board of Education gives first, second and third readings to School District No. 23 Capital Project Bylaw No. 126383 -Annual Facilities Grant.
CARRIED

Main
12P-054

MOVED by Trustee Baxter, SECONDED by Trustee Fraser,
THAT: School District No. 23 Capital Project Bylaw No. 126383 - Annual Facilities Grant, in the amount of \$2,753,238, be read a first, second and third time, passed and adopted the 25th day of April, 2012.

CUPE Member Employment Opportunities During the Two-Week Spring Break

Trustee Baxter provided background information on the recommendation, which was a Notice of Motion made at the April 11, 2012 Public Board Meeting, and was further discussed at the April 18, 2012 Finance and Legal Committee Public Meeting.

Main
12P-055

MOVED by Trustee Baxter, SECONDED by Trustee Fraser,
THAT: The Board of Education direct the Superintendent to discuss with CUPE the feasibility of offering meaningful employment to those CUPE members who are disadvantaged by the two-week Spring Break.

Trustees discussed the recommendation for employment opportunities for CUPE members, and the earlier request from the C.O.T.A. President regarding consideration of Teachers-on-Call who are also financially disadvantaged during the two-week spring break.

The Chairperson relinquished the position of Chair to Trustee Baxter, Vice-Chairperson.

Amendment
12P-056

MOVED by Trustee Cacchioni, SECONDED by Trustee Brinkerhoff,
THAT: The Board of Education direct the Superintendent to discuss with CUPE and the C.O.T.A. the feasibility of offering meaningful employment to those CUPE members and Teachers-on-Call who are disadvantaged by the two-week Spring Break.

Trustees discussed the amended recommendation.

The question was called on amended Motion 12P-056.

DEFEATED

OPPOSED: Trustee Butler, Trustee Pendharkar, Trustee Fraser, Trustee Baxter

Trustee Cacchioni resumed the position of Chairperson.

The question was called on Main Motion 12P-055.

CARRIED

OPPOSED: Trustee Cacchioni, Trustee Pendharkar, Trustee Gorman

Main

12P-057

MOVED by Trustee Baxter, SECONDED by Trustee Butler,

THAT: These discussions take place before the Calendar Committee meets next year, and before the 2013/2014 Budget Discussions, with recommendations brought to the Board of Education in a timely fashion.

CARRIED

OPPOSED: Trustee Cacchioni

Elimination of Student Transportation Charge

Main

12P-058

MOVED by Trustee Pendharkar, SECONDED by Trustee Fraser,

THAT: The Board eliminate the fees levied on parents for transporting students to attend regular classes, which fees were introduced to make up for the shortfall resulting from the difference between the Ministry of Education funding for transportation and the Board's cost for the service.

Trustee Pendharkar provided background on the recommendation which was discussed at the April 18, 2012 Finance and Legal Committee Public Meeting. Trustees discussed the recommendation.

The question was called on Main Motion 12P-058.

DEFEATED

OPPOSED: Trustee Brinkerhoff, Trustee Cacchioni, Trustee Gorman, Trustee Baxter

Student Transportation Charge – 2012/2013

Main

12P-059

MOVED by Trustee Fraser, SECONDED by Trustee Brinkerhoff,

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT: The Board of Education approve the Student Transportation Charge as described in Policy 470 and 470R (Regulations) "Transportation Services Management" for all students using the School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan) transportation system, and the charge be set for the 2012/2013 school year as follows:

Family Ridership	Registration and 50% Payment by June 30	Registration and Payment after June 30
One Child	\$200	\$225
Two Children	\$400	\$450
Three Children	\$500	\$575
Four or more Children	\$600	\$700

The Secretary-Treasurer provided background information on the recommendation which is brought forward on an annual basis. Trustees discussed the recommendation.

Amendment

12P-060

MOVED by Trustee Fraser, SECONDED by Trustee Pendharkar,

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT: The Board of Education approve the Student Transportation Charge as described in Policy 470 and 470R (Regulations) "Transportation Services Management" for all students using the School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan) transportation system, and the charge be set for the 2012/2013 school year as follows:

Family Ridership	Registration and 50% Payment by June 30		Registration and Payment after June 30	
One Child	\$200	<u>\$200</u>	\$225	<u>\$225</u>
Two Children	\$400	<u>\$300</u>	\$450	<u>\$350</u>
Three Children	\$500	<u>\$400</u>	\$575	<u>\$475</u>
Four or more Children	\$600	<u>\$500</u>	\$700	<u>\$600</u>

Trustees discussed the amended recommendation.

The question was called on amended Motion 12P-060.

DEFEATED

OPPOSED: Trustee Baxter, Trustee Brinkerhoff, Trustee Butler, Trustee Cacchioni, Trustee Fraser, Trustee Gorman

Amendment
12P-061

MOVED by Trustee Baxter, SECONDED by Trustee Fraser,

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT: The Board of Education approve the Student Transportation Charge as described in Policy 470 and 470R (Regulations) "Transportation Services Management" for all students using the School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan) transportation system, and the charge be reduced to 50% of the recommended charges as set for the 2012/2013 school year as follows:

Family Ridership	Registration and 50% Payment by June 30		Registration and Payment after June 30	
One Child	\$200	<u>\$100</u>	\$225	<u>\$112</u>
Two Children	\$400	<u>\$200</u>	\$450	<u>\$224</u>
Three Children	\$500	<u>\$250</u>	\$575	<u>\$286</u>
Four or more Children	\$600	<u>\$300</u>	\$700	<u>\$350</u>

The Board discussed the amended recommendation as well as the C.O.T.A. President's request for caution regarding the possibility of the fee reduction increasing eligible riders registering for buses, thereby creating a need for additional buses to handle the increase.

The question was called on amended Motion 12P-061.

CARRIED

OPPOSED: Trustee Cacchioni, Trustee Gorman

The question was called on Main Motion 12P-059 as amended by Motion 12P-061.

CARRIED

OPPOSED: Trustee Cacchioni, Trustee Gorman

Trustee Indemnity for the 2012/2013 Fiscal Year

Trustee Gorman, Chair of the Finance and Legal Committee, provided background information on the recommendation.

Main
12P-062

MOVED by Trustee Gorman, SECONDED by Trustee Brinkerhoff,

THAT: The Board of Education set the Trustee Indemnity using the weighted average of all employee groups, which results in a net zero increase, for the period effective July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013.

The Board discussed the recommendation.

Amendment
12P-063

MOVED by Trustee Baxter, SECONDED by Trustee Pendharkar,

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT: The Board of Education set the Trustee Indemnity ~~using the weighted average of all employee groups, which results in a net zero increase, for the period effective July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013.~~ for July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013 with no increase to the stipend.

The question was called on amended Motion 12P-063.

CARRIED

OPPOSED: Trustee Cacchioni, Trustee Gorman

The question was called on Main Motion 12P-062 as amended by Motion 12P-063.

CARRIED

OPPOSED: Trustee Gorman

Superintendent's 2012/2013 District Budget Recommendations

Trustee Gorman, Chair of the Finance and Legal Committee, provided a brief review of the recommendation.

Main
12P-064

MOVED by Trustee Gorman, SECONDED by Trustee Fraser,

THAT: The Board of Education adopt the specific budget allocations and decisions, pertaining to the 2012/2013 Preliminary School District Budget, as attached and as presented at the April 25, 2012 Public Board Meeting.

The Board discussed the recommendation and the impact to budget figures due to Motion 12P-061 which reduced the Transportation Fee by 50%.

Amendment
12P-065

MOVED by Trustee Pendharkar, SECONDED by Trustee Fraser,

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT: The Board of Education adopt the specific budget allocations and decisions, pertaining to the 2012/2013 Preliminary School District Budget, including the reduction made to the Projected Surplus Carry Forward due to Motion 12P-061 which reduced the Transportation Fee by 50%, as attached and as amended at the April 25, 2012 Public Board Meeting.

**The question was called on amended Motion 12P-065.
CARRIED**

The Superintendent and Director of Finance provided further information on appendices contained within the report. The Board agreed that the format and structure of the Superintendent's District Budget Recommendations for 2013/2014 will be added as a future agenda item for the Finance and Legal Committee.

**The question was called on Main Motion 12P-064 as amended by Motion 12P-065.
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.

The C.O.T.A. President encouraged the Board to reconsider providing meaningful employment to Teachers-on-Call who are financially disadvantaged by the two-week spring break. President Rees also requested that Trustees lobby the government against the conditions imposed by Bill 22.

INFORMATION ITEMS

School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan) 2011 Graduate Outcomes Survey Report

Trustee Fraser, Chair of the Education and Student Services Committee, provided a brief review of the information contained within the report.

School District No. 23 Student Readiness Annual Report

Trustee Fraser, Chair of the Education and Student Services Committee, provided background information on the SD23 Student Readiness Annual Report.

Field Trips 2011/2012

The Superintendent reviewed the two additions to the report which were added as a result of students from Kelowna Secondary School and Mount Boucherie Secondary School winning at the Interior Jazz Festival held April 12 – 14, 2012, and subsequently being invited to participate in the MusicFest Canada Nationals in Ottawa. Trustees discussed the information provided.

General Statement

BOARD/DISTRICT COMMITTEE REPORTS

BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

Sent: To the Honourable Christy Clark, The Honourable George Abbott, Local MLAs, BC Boards of Education, BCPSEA, BCTF and COTA, April 18, 2012, regarding the government appointment of a mediator in the job action dispute between the BCTF and the BCPSEA.

Received: Correspondence Directed to the Board

CUPE BC, March 20, 2012, regarding CUPE Budget Research Material.

Summary of Copies of Letters received by the Board

Main
12P-066

MOVED by Trustee Gorman, SECONDED by Trustee Fraser,

THAT: At the April 25, 2012 Public Board Meeting, the Board receive the correspondence listed above.

CARRIED

ITEMS REQUIRING SPECIAL MENTION

BC PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYERS' ASSOCIATION

Trustee Gorman reported that the BCPSEA Representative Council met on April 25, 2012.

BC SCHOOL TRUSTEES ASSOCIATION

BCSTA AGM - April 26 - 29, 2012

AGM 2012 Motions

(http://www.bcsta.org:8080/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-69946/2012_AGM_Motions.pdf)

FUTURE MEETINGS

REGULARLY SCHEDULED BOARD MEETINGS

Regular Public Board Meeting
Wednesday, May 9, 2012, at 6:00 p.m., School Board Office

Regular Public Board Meeting
Wednesday, May 23, 2012, at 6:00 p.m., School Board Office

BOARD STANDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Human Resources and Staff Services Committee
Wednesday, May 2, at 3:00 pm
CANCELLED

Education and Student Services Committee
Wednesday, May 2, at 6:30 p.m., 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 8:35 pm.

Chairperson

Secretary-Treasurer