



"Together We Learn"

School District No. 23
(Central Okanagan)

BOARD OF EDUCATION PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

(Second and fourth Wednesday of every month, except July and August and the fourth Wednesday in March and 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, September 28, 2016
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 (*absent*)
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	Scott Sieben, President
COTA	Susan Bauhart, President and April Smith, First Vice-President
CUPE	No representative
DSC	No representative

ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m.

AGENDA

Additions/Amendments/Deletions

Add:	Recognition/Presentation/Delegations	3.4	Presentation: School Opening Report Part 2 (<i>Information for scheduled item</i>)
Amend:	Action Item	6.3	2016-2017 Senior Management Team Workplan (<i>Amended to read: Recommendation from the Superintendent of Schools/CEO</i>)
Add:	Action Item	6.4	French Immersion Review – Phase Two Public Consultation Process (<i>Information for scheduled item</i>)
Amend:	Action Item	6.4	French Immersion Review – Phase Two Public Consultation Process (<i>Amended to read: Staff Recommendation</i>)

Main

16P-136

MOVED by Trustee Butler, SECONDED by Trustee Tiede,

THAT: The Agenda for the September 28, 2016 Public Board Meeting be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

MINUTES

Public Board Meeting – September 14, 2016

Main
16P-137

MOVED by Trustee Fraser, SECONDED by Trustee Mossman,
THAT: The Minutes of the Public Board Meeting of September 14, 2016 be adopted as distributed.
CARRIED

RECOGNITION/PRESENTATION/DELEGATIONS

Presentation: “Inside 23”

Student Leadership

Assistant Superintendent, Vianne Kintzinger, provided an overview of the California Association of Directors of Activities (CADA) Conference, which was attended by a number of Central Okanagan students in July 2016.

Teacher Al Hopgood of Springvalley Middle School introduced Teacher Jaci Guignard of Dr. Knox Middle School and Cheryl Gagne, Teacher at KLO Middle School. The following students recounted their experiences at the Conference:

Julia Basso, Dr. Knox Middle School	Lindsay Notte, Dr. Knox Middle School
Cade Desjarlais, Dr. Knox Middle School	Natascha Sprenger, Dr. Knox Middle School
Jordon Johnston, Dr. Knox Middle School	Kate Walker, Dr. Knox Middle School
Lindsay Maier, Dr. Knox Middle School	Ally Wynn, Dr. Knox Middle School
Sam Dixon, Constable Neil Bruce Middle School	Abby Mendonca, Okanagan Mission Secondary School
Maxim Gagne, KLO Middle School	Sarah Solomonides, Springvalley Middle School/RSS
Karah Hopgood, Mount Boucherie Secondary School	Finn Hussey, KLO Middle School
Elle Kreitz, Okanagan Mission Secondary School	

The students enthusiastically highlighted the leadership principles that were such an integral part of the Conference which reinforced inclusiveness, acceptance and connectiveness with all students in the schools. It was also noted that no other Canadian students attended the Conference and the camaraderie that was a major portion of the various meetings instilled even a greater degree of team work for all participants.

Introduction of New Principals/Vice-Principals and COSBO Members

- Jarret Atkins, Vice-Principal, Davidson Road Elementary School
- Nathen Elliott, Vice-Principal, Peter Greer Elementary School and Black Mountain Elementary School
- Sakura Hirata, International Homestay Coordinator
- Susan Stevenson, Principal, Springvalley Elementary School

The Board of Education welcomed and congratulated the above staff members to their new positions within the District.

Declaration: International Walk to School Day – Wednesday, October 5, 2016

The Board Chair made the following Declaration:

"The Central Okanagan Board of Education declared Wednesday, October 5, 2016 as "International Walk to School Day" in the Central Okanagan School District."

Declaration: World Teachers' Day – Wednesday, October 5, 2016

The Board Chair made the following Declaration:

"The Central Okanagan Board of Education declared Wednesday, October 5, 2016 as "World Teachers' Day" in the Central Okanagan School District."

Declaration: Orange Shirt Day – Friday, September 30, 2016

The Board Chair made the following Declaration:

"The Central Okanagan Board of Education declared Friday, September 30, 2016 as "Orange Shirt Day" in the Central Okanagan School District."

The Deputy Superintendent provided background on the District's first Orange Shirt Day, noting it is a movement arising out of six-year-old Phyllis Webstad entering the St. Joseph Residential School in 1973 and being stripped of her brand new and proudly worn orange shirt which was replaced with the school's institutional uniform, thereby removing her of her individual identity. This occurrence has formed the nucleus for what has become a national movement to recognize the experience of survivors of Indian residential schools, honour them, and show a collective commitment to ensure that every child matters.

Presentation: School Opening Report Part 2

The Superintendent of Schools/CEO provided Part 2 of his report noting that as of September 21, 2016, 22,207 students were enrolled in District schools. This is an increase of 563 students over last year and is 388 students more than projected. The previous report, Part 1, reviewed at the September 14, 2016 Board of Education Public Meeting, provided an overview of the period of September 6 through 9, 2016.

The Superintendent of Schools/CEO noted secondary and elementary schools have a greater number of students than projected, while middle schools are 14 students under their projected enrolment. Alternate student enrolment is currently 515 students compared to 391 students for the same time last year. This number is expected to increase prior to the provincial enrolment count of September 30, 2016.

The 2016 School Opening Report – Part 2 is available on the Central Okanagan School District website.

6:50 pm: The meeting was recessed.

6:54 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.

Shelley Courtney, COPAC President, speaking on behalf of Glenmore parents

Queried why one of the public consultations for the French Immersion Review was not being held in the Glenmore area.

The Board Chair advised that the three neutral sites selected for the public consultations best serve the interests of all parents as they are more central locations. The consultation process will serve as an avenue for all Central Okanagan Public School families and the general public who wish to attend one of the venues to express their concerns and opinions.

TRUSTEES QUERIES/COMMENTS

Trustee Fraser

Commented parents have recently asked why their children are not being taught cursive writing in school, and whether there is an opportunity for students to learn this skill as an elective in middle school.

The Superintendent of Schools/CEO advised that handwriting is a part of the curriculum. He advised that emphasis has moved towards a variety of communication forms that reflect how students communicate today, including technology. Assistant Superintendent Rhonda Ovelson advised cursive writing is now called handwriting in the redesigned curriculum and students are learning to communicate and express themselves via multiple forms of communication. Overall communication is the core competency. No cursive handwriting electives form part of the curriculum.

ACTION ITEMS

Audited Financial Statements Fiscal Year 2015/2016

Trustee Mossman, Chair of the Finance and Legal Committee, provided an overview of discussions held at the September 21, 2016 Finance and Legal Committee Meeting at which Grant Thornton was present.

Main
16P-138

MOVED by Trustee Mossman, SECONDED by Trustee Cacchioni,
THAT: The Board of Education receive and approve the Audited Financial Statements Fiscal Year 2015/2016, as attached to the Agenda and as presented at the September 28, 2016 Public Board Meeting.
CARRIED

FortisBC Statutory Right-of-Way for Springvalley Middle School

Main
16P-139

MOVED by Trustee Fraser, SECONDED by Trustee Cacchioni,
THAT: The Board of Education give first, second and third readings to School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan) Property Bylaw No. 136 (as attached to the agenda) at the September 28, 2016 Public Board Meeting.
CARRIED

Main
16P-140

MOVED by Trustee Fraser, SECONDED by Trustee Cacchioni,
THAT: School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan) Property Bylaw No. 136 (registration of a Statutory Right-of-Way) be read a first, second and third time and finally adopted the 28th day of September, 2016;

AND THAT: The Board of Education of School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan), hereinafter called "the Board", grant approval for registration of a Statutory Right-of-Way in favour of FortisBC on Lot A, District Lot 1, Section 22, Township 26, Osoyoos Division Yale District Plan 24386.

Trustee Fraser, Chair of the Planning and Facilities Committee, provided an overview of discussions held at the September 21, 2016 Planning and Facilities Committee Meeting.

**MAIN 16P-140
CARRIED**

2016-2017 Senior Management Team Workplan

The Superintendent of Schools/CEO outlined his report and reviewed the major projects that the senior management team has committed to work on this school year.

Main
16P-141

MOVED by Trustee Tiede, SECONDED by Trustee Butler,
THAT: The Board of Education approve the 2016-2017 Senior Management Team Workplan.

In response to queries regarding the proposed grade 10-12 Graduation Program, Vianne Kintzinger, Assistant Superintendent, advised messaging surrounding this matter has been disseminated in a myriad of ways to parents through the schools, newsletters and parent information evenings. Further, the Ministry of Education will, on October 7, 2016, be speaking with all secondary school teachers and administrators regarding the new graduation years and subjects the students will be engaged in.

The Superintendent of Schools/CEO confirmed October 7, 2016 is an Administrative Implementation Day and once a list of planned activities is available, the information will be disseminated.

**MAIN 16P-141
CARRIED**

French Immersion Review – Phase Two Public Consultation Process

The Superintendent of Schools/CEO outlined his report and provided information regarding the proposed consultation process which suggests holding regional forums at three locations: École KLO Middle on Monday, October 17, 2016, Hollywood Road Education Centre on Tuesday, October 18, 2016, and Mount Boucherie Secondary School on Monday, October 24, 2016. An in-studio video production of the issues surrounding this matter will be posted to the District's website, along with the survey, so that all survey participants can be well informed of the issues if they are not able to attend one of the forums.

In response to queries from the Board, the Superintendent of Schools/CEO confirmed that should the recommendation move forward, the Dr. Knox Middle School and Springvalley Middle School options can, as directed by the Board, be modified or investigated further, or withdrawn in favour

of new options, once the results of the survey are provided to the Board and public information has been received at the forums.

The Board discussed the immediate need for a middle school, potential catchment boundaries and the bundled options as presented, as well as the need to review short, mid and long-term solutions. The Superintendent of Schools/CEO noted the forums and survey will deal largely with the short and mid-term; however, the long-term options should also be presented. Sustainable enrollment is an important factor in each of the bundled options.

The Board requested that communication of the public forums be disseminated in as many ways as possible so that public attendance at each venue provides a strong representation of parents' input.

Main

16P-142

MOVED by Trustee Mossman, SECONDED by Trustee Butler,

THAT: The Board of Education direct staff to take the Dr. Knox Middle School Option and Springvalley Middle School Option forward for regional public consultation meetings in the Fall of 2016.

CARRIED

2017/2018 Five Year Capital Plan Submission

Main

16P-143

MOVED by Trustee Fraser, SECONDED by Trustee Mossman,

THAT: The Board of Education approve the 2017/2018 Capital Plan, as attached to the Agenda and as presented at the September 28, 2016 Public Board Meeting.

Trustee Fraser, Chair of the Planning and Facilities Committee, provided an overview of discussions held at the September 21, 2016 Planning and Facilities Committee Meeting.

MAIN 16P-143

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.

Shelley Courtney, COPAC President and representing Glenmore parents, encouraged District staff and Trustees to consider a fourth venue for the French Immersion public consultations in the Glenmore area.

The Board Chair advised the three sites currently being utilized will provide all parents within the Central Okanagan Public School District the opportunity to attend and present their views.

Cadre Simpson, a Casorso Elementary parent, asked that the Board consider utilizing Dr. Knox Middle School or Springvalley Middle School as one of the sites for the public forum.

The Superintendent of Schools/CEO advised the current three locations (École KLO Middle, Hollywood Road Education Centre and Mount Boucherie Secondary School) were selected in order to provide neutral sites as well as being as central as possible in order to encourage attendance and participation. As well, videos outlining the issues will be uploaded to the District's website which will enable parents who are not able to attend a forum to obtain a greater understanding of the goals of the French Immersion Task Force.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Superintendent's Emergent Issues

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

School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan) 2015/2016 Public Sector Executive Compensation Report

The Secretary-Treasurer advised the Compensation Report must be presented to the Board on an annual basis and will be posted to the District's website.

Report to the Finance and Legal Committee – Communication of Audit Results

Trustee Mossman, Chair of the Finance and Legal Committee, provided an overview of discussions held at the September 21, 2016 Finance and Legal Committee Meeting at which Grant Thornton was present.

Level 4 and 5 Field Study Summary – 2016/2017

The Board reviewed the information provided.

General Statement

The Board reviewed the information provided.

BOARD/DISTRICT COMMITTEE QUERIES/COMMENTS AND REPORTS

BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

The lack of provincial government funding for educational front line leaders was discussed wherein it was noted that general district revenue must now be utilized to ensure government-approved compensation increases for Principals and Vice-Principals are implemented.

Main
16P-144

MOVED by Trustee Fraser, SECONDED by Trustee Mossman,
THAT: The Board of Education write a letter to the Minister of Finance and the Minister of Education requesting that funding be provided to Provincial School Districts for the recently approved compensation improvements for Principals and Vice-Principals.
CARRIED

Sent: Chief Roxanne Lindley and Councillors, Westbank First Nation, September 20, 2016, regarding congratulations on recent election

Received: Correspondence Directed to the Board
BCSTA, Legal Bulletin, September 13, 2016, regarding Human Rights Code and Provincial Standards for Codes of Conduct Order

Summary of Copies of Letters received by the Board

Main
16P-145

MOVED by Trustee Mossman, SECONDED by Trustee Butler,
THAT: At the September 28, 2016 Public Board Meeting, the Board receive the correspondence listed above.
CARRIED

ITEMS REQUIRING SPECIAL MENTION

Trustee Baxter noted she and the Superintendent of Schools/CEO had the opportunity to attend a function held in honour of the Duke and Duchess of Cambridge's visit to Kelowna. The event took place on Tuesday, September 27. Central Okanagan elementary students who participated in *Chefs in the Classroom* shared their learning with the Duke and Duchess. The presentation was excellent.

The Superintendent of Schools/CEO and several Trustees attended the Grand Opening of the Pearson Road Elementary School Family Hub on Friday, September 23 and extended congratulations to all those involved for their leadership.

The Superintendent of Schools/CEO and several Trustees attended the Grand Opening of the Okanagan Mission Secondary School addition on Friday, September 23. Teachers and Administrative staff at OKM were acknowledged and thanked for their patience and ongoing support to ensure the students' needs were met as the addition was built, and the Secretary-Treasurer and the staff of the District's Operations Division were also acknowledged for their efforts in creating the wonderful new learning space.

BC PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYERS' ASSOCIATION

BC SCHOOL TRUSTEES ASSOCIATION

Thompson Okanagan Branch BCSTA Meeting

Date: September 30 - October 1, 2016

Location: Ashcroft, BC

Ministry of Education – Second Annual Liaison Meeting

Date: October 26, 2016

Location: Richmond, BC

Meeting of Board Chairs

Date: October 27, 2016

Location: Pacific Gateway Hotel, Richmond, BC

October Provincial Council Meeting

Date: October 28-29, 2016

Location: Wosk Center, Vancouver, BC

Learning Forward Annual Conference

Date: December 3-7, 2016

Location: Vancouver Convention Centre

FUTURE MEETINGS

REGULARLY SCHEDULED BOARD MEETINGS

Regular Public Board Meeting

Wednesday, October 12, 2016 at 6:00 p.m., School Board Office

Regular Public Board Meeting

Wednesday, November 2, 2016 at 6:00 p.m., School Board Office

BOARD STANDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS

General Affairs

Wednesday, October 5, 2016 at 4:30 pm at the School Board Office **(Cancelled)**

Education and Student Services

Wednesday, October 5, 2016 at **6:00 pm** at the School Board Office **(please note new start time)**

NOTICES OF MOTION

ITEMS FOR A FUTURE AGENDA

- *Policy for Learning Commons*
- *Central Okanagan Public Schools Logo/Graphic Standards Report*

ADJOURNMENT: The Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 8:10 pm.

Chairperson

Secretary-Treasurer