SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 23 - BOARD COMMITTEE REPORT

COMMITTEE: Planning and Facilities Committee Meeting

DATE: April 17, 2013

CHAIRPERSON: T

Trustee Deb Butler

STAFF CONTACT: Alan Cumbers, Director of Operations

Board Attendees:

Trustee D. Butler - Chairperson

Trustee R. Cacchioni - Committee Member

Trustee J. Fraser - Committee Member

Trustee J. Brinkerhoff

Trustee M. Baxter

Trustee M. Pendharkar

Staff:

L. Paul, Secretary-Treasurer

A. Cumbers, Director of Operations

H. Gloster, Superintendent

T. Beaudry, Assistant Superintendent

H. Schock, Energy & Sustainability Manager

E. Watson, Planning Manager

B. Bertram, Executive Assistant (recorder)

Partner Group Representation:

COPAC

No representative

COPVPA

Jill Voros, Members' Liaison - Middle/Secondary

COTA CUPE Alice Rees, President No representative

DSC

No representative

Agenda - Additions/Amendments/Deletions

April 17, 2013 Agenda - Approved.

Reports/Matters Arising

February 20, 2012 Committee Report - Received.

Presentation by Harold Schock, Energy & Sustainability Manager

An overview of the District's energy use reduction and resulting savings was provided by the Energy & Sustainability Manager. Energy consumption continues to be reduced throughout the District through various methods including improved lighting, boiler upgrades, School Destination Conservation Programs, compressed natural gas buses, and the increasing use of geothermal, hydroelectric and solar, reducing the use of fossil fuel energies. The Central Okanagan School District has taken a leadership role in the area of Greenhouse Gas Reduction and has met and exceeded BC's Greenhouse Gas Reduction Targets. Continual investigation and analysis of school-by-school energy consumption provides evidence of areas where further energy reduction can be achieved. The District is also continuing to reduce its paper consumption, and schools are becoming more involved in composting and recycling. Committee members discussed the information provided.

5:15 pm - Trustee Pendharkar left the meeting.

Discussion/Action Items

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

The Secretary-Treasurer provided a brief background on the amendments to the policy and regulations, which provide clarity for registration priorities and student placement. Committee members discussed the amendments and recommended two further amendments to Regulations Item No. 2, replacing "registration priorities" with "enrolment priorities".

Outcome

The Planning and Facilities Committee recommended that the Board of Education approve Policy 405 and Regulations 405R "Student Placement" as amended.

2. Westside Area Work Plan

The Planning Manager provided a review of the Westside Area Work Plan which included an action timetable for stakeholder engagement, a development of options for elementary catchments and middle school feeder and program options, community engagement, and final Board approval.

5:43 pm - Trustee Pendharkar returned to the meeting.

Committee members discussed the information provided.

Outcome

The Planning and Facilities Committee recommended that the Board of Education approve the Westside Area Work Plan as outlined.

3. Capital Project Bylaw No. 126621 – 2013/2014 Annual Facilities Grant

The Secretary-Treasurer provided a brief review of the Capital Project Bylaw which is the next step to secure funding within the Annual Facilities Grant Program for the 2013/2014 school year.

Outcome

The Planning and Facilities Committee recommended that the Board of Education approve Capital Project Bylaw No. 126621 – 2013/2014 Annual Facilities Grant.

5:50 pm - Trustee Brinkerhoff left the meeting.

Information Items

1. Sustainability Update 2012

The Director of Operations provided a brief review of the District's energy and sustainability initiatives. The next step in reducing energy consumption, in order to meet provincially-mandated targets, will be to modify user behavior within schools.

2. KLO Middle School Student Butterfly/Insect Garden

The Director of Operations reviewed the request from KLO Middle School to convert a grassed area under the school sign on KLO Road into an area of shrub plants that are beneficial to insects and butterflies. A jurisdictional request to have students do the majority of the grounds work has been sent to CUPE Local 3523. Subject to CUPE's support, the project will move forward.

6:01 pm - Trustee Brinkerhoff returned to the meeting.

3. OKM Secondary School Student Garden

The Director of Operations provided information on the request from OKM Secondary School to convert a grassed area east of the south sports field into a student vegetable garden. A jurisdictional request to have students do the majority of the grounds work has been sent to CUPE Local 3523. Subject to CUPE's support, the project will move forward.

Recommendations/Referrals To the Board/Coordinating Committee/Other Committees

Future Public Board Meeting Action Items:

- Amended Policy 405 and Regulations 405R "Student Placement"
- Westside Area Work Plan
- Capital Project Bylaw No. 126621 2013/2014 Annual Facilities Grant

Items for Future Planning and Facilities Committee Meetings

Meeting Schedule

May 15, 2013 June 19, 2013 September 18, 2013 October 16, 2013 August 28, 2013 (tentative)

November 20, 2013

Questions - Please Contact:

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