



CENTRAL OKANAGAN PUBLIC SCHOOLS - BOARD COMMITTEE REPORT

Education and Student Services Committee Public Meeting

Wednesday, May 15, 2024, 6:00 pm

**School Board Office
1040 Hollywood Road S.
Kelowna, BC**

Board of Education: Trustee L. Guderyan, Chair
Trustee A. Geistlinger, Committee Member
Trustee V. Johnson, Committee Member
Trustee C. Desrosiers
Trustee L. Tiede

Staff: Kevin Kaardal, Superintendent of Schools/CEO (*absent*)
Terry-Lee Beaudry, Deputy Superintendent of Schools (*absent*)
Jamie Robinson, Assistant Superintendent
Yvonne Hildebrandt, Executive Assistant (Recorder)

Partner Groups: Lori Dawson Bedard, COTA 1st Vice-President
Nicola Baker, COPAC President
Scott Sieben, COPVPA President
Jessica Teasdale, CUPE Executive Member
Grace Sweet, District Student Council Member

**The Central Okanagan Board of Education acknowledged that this meeting was being held
on the unceded, Traditional Territory of the Okanagan People.**

AGENDA

May 15, 2024 Committee Agenda – approved as presented.

REPORTS/MATTERS ARISING

Education and Student Services Committee Report – April 17, 2024

April 17, 2024 Committee Report – received as distributed.

RECOGNITION/PRESENTATION/DELEGATIONS

Career-Life Programs Report

Alan Lalonde, Assistant Superintendent, and Career-Life Programs Teachers Bob Boback, Chris Ovelson, and Sarah Wood presented the Career-Life Programs Report. The Ministry of Education and Child Care identifies career education as one of the three goals of the BC Education system, which are Intellectual Development, Human and Social Development, and Career Development. Through education, exploration and experiences, Career-Life Programs supports each student to discover their unique skills, competencies and passions as they transition towards a healthy and purposeful life.

The Transition goals of Career-Life Programs directly aligns with the District's Overarching Goal:

Our learners will develop foundational skills and core curricular competencies so that they can be empowered to follow their passions and strengths and thrive holistically as resilient and engaged global citizens.

Career-Life Programs goals include embedding career awareness, exploration, and experiences daily into K-12 classrooms, supporting career classroom teachers in delivering career courses, and maintaining and expanding career life experiences and dual credit opportunities for students. By focusing on these department goals, Career-Life Programs empowers students with the necessary skills, knowledge, and practical experiences, and provides students with opportunities to integrate school-based learning with community-based career exploration. These experiences and preparation enable students to make informed choices regarding their future careers and navigate the transition from school to either the workforce or post-secondary education successfully.

PUBLIC QUESTION/COMMENT PERIOD

None.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS QUERIES/COMMENTS

Trustee Geistlinger suggested that Inside 23 would be a good opportunity for Career-Life Programs to focus on the details of some of the specific programs and student experiences.

DISCUSSION/INFORMATION ITEMS

Draft Program Review Cycle and Meeting Schedule 2024-2025

Jamie Robinson, Assistant Superintendent, reviewed the Draft Program Review Cycle and Draft Meeting Schedule for 2024-2025. The Feeding Futures Program Report and the new five-year Equity in Action Agreement 2025-2030 are scheduled to come forward to the Education and Student Services Committee during the next school year.

RECOMMENDATIONS/REFERRALS TO THE BOARD/COORDINATING COMMITTEE/OTHER COMMITTEES

Public Board Meeting Information Items

- *Career-Life Programs Report*

ITEMS FOR FUTURE EDUCATION AND STUDENT SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETINGS

June 19, 2024

REVIEW LEGEND

Level One Review

- District-wide surveys involving all stakeholders
- Focus Groups
- Interviews with key staff and clients

Level Two Review

- Surveys to a representative sample group of stakeholders
- Optional Focus Groups and personnel interviews as appropriate

Level Three Review

Limited or no surveying and/or interviews to gather informal feedback

FUTURE EDUCATION AND STUDENT SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETINGS

June 19, 2024. All meetings start at 6:00 pm.

MEDIA QUESTIONS

No media present.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:31 pm.

Questions - Please Contact:

Trustee Lisa Guderyan, Chair at Lisa.Guderyan@sd23.bc.ca

Terry-Lee Beaudry, Deputy Superintendent of Schools at 250-470-3225 or Terry.Beaudry@sd23.bc.ca

Lisa Guderyan, Chair