



Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, October 5, 2016
Hollywood Road Education Services
9:00 am – 10:30 am

9:00 am Coffee / Networking
 Welcome / Introductions
 Confirmation of Agenda

Attendees:

√	Curtis Schreiber (Chair, CNB Middle)		Len Ingvarsson (Bylaw Officer)
√	Rolli Cacchioni (School Trustee)		Gail Faulkner (Bylaw Officer)
	Chris Gorman (School Trustee)	√	Rick Euper (Kelowna Fire Dept)
√	Terry-Lee Beaudry (Deputy Superintendent)	√	Magda Kapp (BrainTrust Canada)
	Peter Molloy (Director of Student Support Services)	√	Gerry Guilteneane (Crimestoppers)
√	Al Lalonde (District Principal – Student Support Services)	√	Lori Holand (Crimestoppers)
	Scott Sieben (Elem Principals, Ellison Elem)	√	Marty Kooyman (D.A.R.E.)
√	Jared Birkeland (Elem Principals, N. Glenmore Elem)	√	Sherri Lund (RCMP – School Resource Officer)
√	Dave Cavezza (District Health & Safety Manager)	√	Robyn Boffy (RCMP School Resource Officer)
	Jane Williams (District Health & Safety Supervisor)	√	Brandwyn Rigby (RCMP - School Resource Officer)
√	Dave Gibson (Traffic Safety Officer)	√	Georgina Josefsson (RCMP - School Resource Officer)
√	Susan Bauhart (COTA)	√	Erin Willcocks (RCMP - School Resource Officer)
	Wendy Johnson (CUPE)		
	Deannie Dacosta Zahara (COPAC)		
√	Ryan Donn (City of Kelowna Council)		
√	Rusty Ensign (City of West Kelowna Council)		
	Penny Gambell (District of Lake Country Council)		

Al Lalonde (temporary Chair)

- Welcomed the group
- Asked the group to go over June's minutes.

PARTNER GROUP UPDATE:

Dave Cavezza (District Health & Safety Manager)

- COR audit coming up from November 1 to November 20/16; strictly for occupational health and safety.
- Needles: finding them on school property. Two schools have recently approached Dave on how to dispose of needles (A.S. Matheson Elem and George Pringle Elem). They reviewed the safe work procedure and discussed this with administration. Asked the sites to keep track of the numbers.

- (Terry) said Kevin Kaardal and Larry Paul were discussing this and are really concerned. Six schools so far in the inner corridor, plus George Pringle Elem and the School Board Office are the main sites where needles are discarded. Larry will look at the data and will review doing morning sweeps with additional custodial staff. Maybe add security to particular sites for the evenings and weekends. Need to educate staff and students about not picking anything up. Need help in our community.
- (Curtis) asked Robyn to recirculate the document about needle handling. (Robyn) said there was a new opioid drug out. All SRO's are now carrying the new fentanyl antidote.

Susan Bauhart, (COTA)

- Enrollment is up by 500 students this year. Not much to report for now. Today is World Teachers' Day.

Marty Kooyman (D.A.R.E.)

- From the West Kootenays. Their new name is Strategic Prevention Services. Their mandate is prevention; educating kids about making healthy choices which include relationships, their phones, domestic violence, etc. Priority is getting kids information before they have to make some of these choices.
- (Terry) said we have an Okanagan Mainline Regional Meeting coming up and invited Marty to attend.
- Ben Lee skate park has had a lot of criminal activity. Used partners in the community to help.
- His area is from Princeton to Revelstoke, and Osoyoos to Chase. Focus will be in Kelowna as we are the biggest district.

Gerry Guilteneane (Crimestoppers)

- Lots of drug stuff coming in. A few problem areas around town.
- Waiting to hear from the Province about the Guns Initiative Program. Will be out in November sometime.

Lori Holand (Crimestoppers)

- Nothing more to report.

Sherri Lund (RCMP - School Resource Officer)

- Busy start up with issues of drugs. George Pringle Elem has been an ongoing issue. There is a homeless shelter open that is close to the school. It brings more of the downtown people closer to GPE during the day. Have broken glass there almost every day. The RCMP have a gate open that allows police better access to that area. Will be bumping up security around there as GPE covers a big area. The group is mid teen to early 20's. They need to prioritize that site. (Dave C) said he did a walkabout at GPE with Operations, the custodian and principal. They do have some strategies to decrease the loitering; using lighting, sound and gating.
- P.A.R.T.Y. – twice this last week; great numbers, 65 the first day and 72 the second day. BrainTrust had a speaker both days.
- Regarding the SRO positions: concerned that it will be a term positions, in the past they were allowed to stay in as long as they want. There is a new inspector who wants to write a policy to put a term in their positions.

Whole concept for SRO's is that they build long-term relationships and trust with students and teachers. Are asking for more support. (Al) brought this concern up with the Superintendent and Peter Molloy. Has talked to Youth Strategies and they will work on getting information to help them. (Rusty) asked if the municipalities have any input on this. Sherri said absolutely. (Ryan) said to give the RCMP a call and ask about it.

(Curtis) asked to put this on the agenda for our next meeting in November and put strategies in place. Asked Sherri to put together a small presentation for the next meeting. (Terry) asked for a copy of the policy to send to the group. (Georgina) said that every 3 years this position would change under the new change. (Susan) asked which group of teachers they work with the most. It is elementary and at middle and secondary they deal with the admin and behavior teachers. (Marty) sees both sides of this issue. We don't have the expertise that the SRO's have. These officers are trained, have all the skills including people skills. (Terry) said that following up with families provides long sustainable support. (Rolli) can take this message to the board. (Ryan) sent Terry a PowerPoint with the stats: 14,000 needles go out and only 11,000 needles do not come back. How best can we influence them; wants it on the agenda to have an in-depth conversation.

Erin Willcocks (RCMP - School Resource Officer)

- Worked with bylaw this summer on patrol in parks, etc. consistently picking up needles, documenting and tracking them. They will be going back to the agencies that hand out the needles. (Jared) commented about how much time is spent around keeping schools safe.
(Ryan) suggested we invite the Interior Health to present, as they did to Kelowna City Council. It was a shocking presentation. Need to reduce deaths and risks to users. Felt it was not being heard. The residential care has no plan to correct the situation. City does not see a plan to change that, which is why they are tracking the clean-up.

Terry-Lee Beaudry (Deputy Superintendent)

- Kevin Kaardal sends his regrets as he is not able to attend today.

Ryan Donn (City of Kelowna Council)

- At Council meeting, parents and residents from Glenmore Elementary were complaining about traffic. Public forum came and talked about it. Asked as we look at French Immersion schools moving forward; as we densify our community that the drop off and pick-up needs to be solved within the school property. Is there ample parking for staff, etc. as the streets are getting busier.
- Brought up the issue of missing girls – RCMP said most of these are foster kids not wanting to go home. Press releases go out for everything now as part of the new policy.
- In-camera in this meeting? Is there such a thing? (Curtis) said that the minutes have only been shared with this group but will now be attached to the district site.
- Asking what policies are in place to keep kids safe in schools. (Rolli) said there is a Code of Conduct, the School Act, our policy, etc. – reply to Ryan, All our district policies and procedures are online: <http://www.sd23.bc.ca/Board/Policies/Pages/default.aspx>
All schools have their own Code of Conduct which is based on values expressed in the BC Human Rights Code.
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Georgina Josefsen (RCMP - School Resource Officer)

- Did not have a honeymoon period at school startup. Usually gets busier around Thanksgiving, but it started right out of the gate this year. Has not slowed down yet.
- Stepped in for Sherri at P.A.R.T.Y. She did a presentation there.
- Tentative nature of their positions is stressful (termed posting).

Rick Euper (Kelowna Fire Dept)

- Involved with P.A.R.T.Y. program. Lots of kids.
- About halfway through fall Safety House with K to 3's.
- Been in a lot of high schools teaching fire safety: kitchen, shop and science classes. The teachers involved are happy with the program.
- Bootcamp is already booked for next spring.

Erin Willcocks (RCMP - School Resource Officer)

- Back from maternity leave at Central. Interesting things happening already.
- Working hard on getting presentations into schools re cyber safety, careers and drugs.

Brandwyn Rigby (RCMP - School Resource Officer)

- No more dedicate SRO in Lake Country. She can go there on her day shifts if time permits. There are 2 members earmarked for each school. (Terry) asked Rolli about conversations regarding these changes. He said this decision is made by the RCMP, not municipal council. SCHOOL DISTRICT NO.23 abdicated for a Lake Country SRO. Terry said we can collect information with principals and key staff to determine how service is being provided; we need hard data on the change in service. (Rolli) said the board is totally in support and will continually support. (Marty) said their unit struggles with the notion to prove that they

prevented a kid from using drugs. They do have some stats that show these types of education do make a difference. Very difficult to prove that the prevention piece is working, it takes a long time. He will forward the Journal of Global Science report to the group.

Robyn Boffy (RCMP - School Resource Officer)

- Lots of behavior issues right off the bat. Three schools had clothing and bags brought in that when examined had needles in them.
- Will be piloting a project Oct 16 – 20, 2016 "National Teen Driver Safety Week". Will pilot it at KSS to see how it goes, it is put on by the Parachute group. It will start out with the leadership class. There will be media there. Will look at putting it in all the high schools next year if successful. (Ryan) would like to come and do a video also.

Dave Gibson (Traffic Safety Officer)

- Start-up was pretty close to normal. All traffic safety patrollers are now trained.
- New roundabout at Dr. Knox Middle is open and working seamlessly.

Rusty Ensign (City of West Kelowna Council)

- Had a productive meeting with the joint School District and Council. Primary focus was traffic congestion in front of Constable Neil Bruce Middle. They invited the pastor of the West Alliance Church (across the street) and had a productive discussion. "No Parking" signs should be put up around CNB; the problem will be displacing the cars that park around there. Not in the plan for signs on the school side yet. (Dave G) advised that we need "No Stopping" signs to prevent parking there. (Rolli) said the municipality puts up these signs, not School District No.23. Rusty will do a report to recommend "No Stopping" signs so that the RCMP can enforce it. (Curtis) said this needs to be addressed, and asked for a traffic person to come by CNB at 3:15 pm to observe.
- All school zone signs have been changed for 7:30 am to 5:00 pm.
- City of West Kelowna sent a letter to the Province for an overpass on Hwy 97 at CNB. He gave Dave G a contact number to discuss this.
- PAC committee is quite concerned about the safety of the students.

Magda Kapp (BrainTrust Canada)

- She now has a new title that describes what she does better: Director of Communications and Prevention Services.
- Participated in the P.A.R.T.Y. program
- Working with Dave G for helmets; have a sponsor now for the next 3 years.
- Working on an educational game, proposed launch March 2017. Geared toward 12 – 18 year olds. Vianne invited her to attend the Healthy Promoting Schools meeting.
- Compassion Fatigue workshop next month, has posters for that. (Terry) said Vianne presented the concussion information at their meeting this past Monday.

Al Lalonde (District Principal – Student Support Services)

- Great to be back.
- Last couple of days was at the Ministry for bullying, violence threats and risk assessment. Is doing an inventory in the district to see who has been trained. Will be doing a Level 1 training in January on digital threats. Will prioritize training over the next couple of years. Lots of trends re school closures; LA and NY were examples. Swatting is the new thing (making threats to get the S.W.A.T. team out). Fentanyl was also pegged. Asked Marty to work together with him on fentanyl. (Marty) said there is a new group at the Coast that work on the newest trends that come out. Still concerns around the province; relationships with health authorities e.g. Nelson did a presentation on why/how they closed their school for grad. Discussed SOGI, protocols, end gang life presentations. (Georgina) will get out to George Elliot Secondary. She said OKM kids are being targeted lately for gangs.
- Suicide protocol has changed, training coming up in November.
- (Susan) asked if the districts asked about the threat assessment protocols and do they have any input. (Terry) said there are 4 different levels of threat assessments now. Al said eventually there will be continual training at all 4 levels. Terry will talk to Al more about getting it out to principals.

(Marty) said they are doing a new model, to create empathy towards individuals, encompassing things like Columbine, mass school shootings, etc. Also creates a reporting tool for students to use to keep themselves safe.

- Long term goal is to determine who should be trained for what area.
- (Terry) said this also includes Dave C and his work emergency preparedness.

Rolli Cacchioni (School Trustee)

- There will be a new communication service called "Synervoice" soon. It is interactive with parents, and can use all types of communication. Able to contact 40,000 parents within 10 minutes. This system will be instantaneous. PACs will also have access to this. (Terry) said Jon Rever and Jordan Kleckner did the presentation and were really positive about this new system. It should be up and running in the next 2-3 months.
- Grateful for the City of Kelowna, City of West Kelowna and Lake Country for changing the start time around the school zones. Ellison Elementary still not done – under Regional District (Gail Given contact). (Ryan) was amazed at how many conversations had to be done around this before everything was done.

Jared Birkeland (Elementary Principals, North Glenmore Elementary)

- Glad they will be retrained regarding school ground safety, traffic and threat assessment.

Curtis Schreiber (Chair)

- Crosswalk at Glenmore Elementary, PAC has contacted Curtis. They want to standardize the crosswalk. (Dave G) asked if OPS is involved...not yet. Dave will follow it up with OPS; what the intent is and how do we need to address it, then get back to the group. Dave said it had not been involved with S.N.A.C.

Meeting adjourned: 10:35 a.m.

Next Meeting: November 2, 2016

An integrated team of professionals, parents and community members who maintain a high community profile by providing strong leadership in the area of school and community safety.

Our Mission is to positively impact school and community safety within School District No. 23 by:

1. providing an effective venue through which safety concerns of parents, students, staff and community members can be voiced,
2. increasing public awareness of safety related issues, initiatives and resources,
3. formulating safety related recommendations for school and community members, and
4. reviewing models and research data related to school and community safety.

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