



BOARD OF EDUCATION BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

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

Date: **Wednesday, March 11, 2020**

Inside 23

1. Oyama Traditional School and Lake Country Art Gallery

In attendance:

Luke Campbell, Principal

Alyssa Watt, Teacher

Pippa Dean-Veerman, Teacher

Students:

Eddie Beaumont

Bjorn Bulton

Emma Starling

Kisa Jmaeff

Mika Jmaeff

Keira Young

Alison Beaumont, Parent/Artist

The students and staff spoke of their collaborative partnership with the Lake Country Art Gallery.

Recognition:

1. École Dr. Knox Middle School Grade 9 Girls Volleyball Team – Provincial Silver Medalists

In Attendance:

Trent Dolgopol, Principal

Sylvain Guignard, Head Coach

Jaci Guignard, Assistant Coach

Students:

Sydney Ansley

Rachel Callon

Amelie Guignard

Elissa Jenkins

Avery King

Keira Lidstone

Havana Martinez

Tennyson McCarthy

Ryenn Schutz

Jocelyn Stone

Sophia Vicaretti

Mykayla Zukowski

The Board of Education congratulated the École Dr. Knox Middle School Grade 9 Girls Volleyball Team who won a silver medal at the recent Provincial Championship tournament.

Action Items:

1. Review of School of Choice Bus Runs

The Board of Education approved the continuation of the accommodation of French Immersion students travelling from École George Pringle Elementary School to École Glenrosa Middle as eligible riders on a bus route for the 2020-2021 school year.

The Board of Education also approved the elimination of the South Kelowna Elementary to École Casorso Elementary run on Route 314, and the elimination of the Upper Mission to École Dorothea Walker Elementary run on Route 320.

2. International Field Studies

The Board of Education agreed to the cancellation of the following international field studies due to the COVID-19 pandemic:

- Mount Boucherie Secondary School: Music Performances in Disneyland and Universal Studios, Southern California (March 13-March 19, 2020)
- Mount Boucherie Secondary, Okanagan Mission Secondary, Rutland Senior Secondary and Kelowna Senior Secondary France Exchange (March 14-April 25, 2020)
- Kelowna Senior Secondary School: Cultural and Historical Tour, Germany, France, and Belgium (March 18-April 1, 2020)
- Kelowna Senior Secondary School: Leadership Education and Enrichment, Southern California (March 27-April 5, 2020)
- Kelowna Senior Secondary School: Musical and Cultural Events, Activities and Experience, New York (April 5-April 12, 2020)

3. Board/Authority Authorized (BAA) Course Proposal – Equine Learning 12

The Board of Education approved the Board/Authority Authorized (BAA) Course Proposal – Equine Learning 12 (Rutland Senior Secondary School).

4. Proposal for Substantive Change – Equine Learning Academy (Rutland Senior Secondary School)

The Board of Education approved the Proposal for Substantive Change – Equine Learning Academy (Rutland Senior Secondary School).

5. Proposal for Substantive Change – Golf Academy (Rutland Senior Secondary School)

The Board of Education approved the Proposal for Substantive Change – Golf Academy (Rutland Senior Secondary School).

6. 2020-2021 School Calendar

The Board of Education adopted a Local School Calendar for the 2020-2021 school year as identified in the calendar proposal presented, and to make the calendar available to the District and the Ministry of Education by March 31, 2020. The Board further agreed that:

1. The Superintendent of Schools/CEO direct school Principals, in consultation with staff and parents, to establish a site-based calendar for the 2020-2021 school year.
2. In establishing such calendars, Principals must:
 - a. Conform to the School Act and Regulations, applicable Collective Agreements, and School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan) Board Policy.
 - b. Schedule school parent/teacher conference times.
 - c. Schedule their school's calendar and bell schedule.

7. Indigenous Education Council Terms of Reference

The Board of Education approved the proposed revision to the District's Indigenous Education Council Terms of Reference.

Information Items:

The Board of Education reviewed the following:

1. Superintendent's Emergent Items:
 - COVID-19
The District continues to work with the Interior Health Authority and the Ministry as it responds to the COVID-19 Pandemic.
2. Level 4 and 5 Field Study Summary – 2019/2020
3. General Statement – February 26, 2020
4. School Fees Discussion (Ministry of Education School Fee Guidelines)
5. The Office of the Ombudsperson Quarterly Report: October – December 31, 2019

Items Requiring Special Mention:

Trustees and staff reported on the following:

1. Trustees spoke of their attendance at events including the BCSTA Branch Meeting held last weekend.
2. **Strategic Planning Process**
Central Okanagan Public Schools has launched a community engagement process that will inform the Board of Education to approve a revised Strategic Plan. The District will engage stakeholders in various ways throughout the process to ensure that all voices can contribute as the Board of Education sets the direction for the District. The Board of Education is scheduled to approve the revised Strategic Plan in late Fall 2020.
3. **Provincial Basketball Tournaments**
Congratulations to all of the basketball teams throughout the District who participated in the recent Provincial Tournaments, including:
 - Dr. Knox Middle – Provincial Champions
 - KSS Senior Boys – Silver Medalists
 - OKM Senior Girls – Silver Medalists
 - OKM Grade 9 Boys – Silver Medalists
 - KSS Junior Boys – Bronze Medalists
 - KSS Junior Girls – Bronze Medalists
4. There is a recommended change to the BC School Sports Governance model and we appreciate the contributions of Troy White, Principal, École Kelowna Secondary School.
5. Learners from across the District converged on Hollywood Road Education Services to participate in the **5th Annual SumoBot Robotics** Event. Approximately 200 students from across the District showcased a total of 82 robot teams participating in a friendly robotic sumo-wrestling competition.
6. The Deputy Superintendent presented the Board with a gift from Haruhigaoka Junior High School, a Central Okanagan Public Schools' sister school in Kasugai, Japan, who were recently here on an exchange.
7. A reminder that schools will be closed March 16th to 27th for **Spring Break**.

Next Public Board Meeting

Regular Public Board Meeting
Wednesday, April 8, 2020
6:00 pm
Board Room Main at 1040 Hollywood Road S.

Board Standing Committee Meetings

Wednesday, April 1, 2020

4:00 pm Finance and Audit Committee
6:00 pm Planning and Facilities Committee
Board Room Main at 1040 Hollywood Road S.

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