



"Together We Learn"

**Central Okanagan
Public Schools (No. 23)**

BOARD OF EDUCATION BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

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

Date: Wednesday, January 30, 2019

Inside 23:

1. Glenrosa Middle School – Japan Exchange

In attendance:

Scott Parker, Principal, Glenrosa Middle School

Students:

Tanner Donaldson, Grade 9

Lexi Lewis, Grade 9

Bella Cotton, Grade 9

Aiyana Bremner, Grade 9

2018 Sister School Scholarship Exchange

Tanner Donaldson and Lexi Lewis were the Glenrosa Middle School representatives for this year's Glenrosa Middle School/Constable Neil Bruce Middle/Haruhigaoka Sister School Exchange. They traveled with two students from Constable Neil Bruce Middle to Kasugai, to spend a week in Japan, living in a Japanese home and attending school with their host billets. During this time, they attended classes and school activities.

2018 Haruhigaoka Global Meeting

Bella Cotton and Aiyana Bremner were the representatives for the 2018 Haruhigaoka Global Meeting based around the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals. They presented their school projects, and participated in a conference with high school students from around the Pacific Rim. They made 3 presentations:

1. Our Life in Canada – was presented to more than 1600 staff, students and guests at the high school.
2. Glenrosa Middle School Sustainability Projects – was presented at Chubu University to hundreds of staff and students from the high school and university, prominent business leaders, and guests.
3. The students also worked in a collaborative group with students from all participating countries to create a multi-national presentation on sustainability.

Bella and Aiyana presented the Sustainability Development Goals for Glenrosa Middle School.

Recognition:

1. **Renay Willier, Grade 10, Mount Boucherie Secondary School**

The Board of Education congratulated Renay Willier for being the recipient of the Premier's Award for Indigenous Youth Excellence in Sport at the Interior Premier's Awards Celebration Banquet held in November. Renay was the recipient of this award for her outstanding sport achievement, her commitment and dedication to education, culture, leadership and community.

Declaration:

1. **Human Rights Month**

The Central Okanagan Board of Education declared the month of February 2019 as Human Rights Month in Central Okanagan Public Schools.

Presentations:

1. **BC Tripartite Education Agreement (BCTEA)**

Presenter: Terry-Lee Beaudry, Deputy Superintendent

The Deputy Superintendent provided an overview of the BC Tripartite Education Agreement. The BCTEA parties are: BC First Nations – The First Nations Education Steering Committee; The Government of Canada – Indigenous Services Canada; and the Province of British Columbia – The Ministry of Education. The Tripartite Agreement is for all First Nations students who are on the nominal roll. The BCTEA is intended to promote systemic shifts and collective efforts that will support improved educational outcomes for First Nation students in BC, regardless of where they are enrolled in school.

2. **New BC Graduation Program**

Presenter: Vianne Kintzinger, Assistant Superintendent

The Assistant Superintendent presented on the new BC Graduation Program. This new program will support students through their final years of high school. The Assistant Superintendent's presentation reviewed "*What Has Changed*" and "*What Is Staying the Same*". Further information on the new BC Graduation Program can be found on the Ministry of Education website: <https://curriculum.gov.bc.ca/>.

Action Items:

1. **Rebuttal Letter to Minister R. Fleming Re: Rutland Middle School**

The Board of Education agreed to send a rebuttal letter to Minister R. Fleming's letter dated January 3, 2019, regarding the replacement of Rutland Middle School (RMS). The letter will emphasize:

- that RMS is not only an aging structure but is also supporting significant growth in the area resulting in 10 portables on site (40% of the student population utilizes these portables throughout the day)
- that there are continued challenges with maintaining a 70 year old facility within the Annual Facilities Grant Envelope
- that there are ongoing accessibility issues for all students that attend the school

2. **Rutland Middle School Projects – 2019/2020 Annual Facilities Grant Submission**

The Board of Education gave priority to Rutland Middle School Minor Capital Projects for washroom additions, roofing improvements and mechanical upgrades when developing the 2019-2020 Annual Facilities Grant Submission.

Information Items:

The Board of Education reviewed the following:

1. **Aboriginal Education Council Enowkinwixw Workshop**
A two day Enowkinwixw Workshop was held on January 16th and 17th. Attending the workshop from the Central Okanagan Public Schools were Trustees Baxter, Fraser and Bowman, the Superintendent of Schools/CEO, Deputy Superintendent and the District Principal for Aboriginal Education.
2. **2019-2020 Budget Planning Presentation**
The public presentation explaining how the District's budget is established will take place in conjunction with the Central Okanagan Parent Advisory Council (COPAC) meeting on **Monday, February 4, 2019 at 7:00 pm at Hollywood Road Education Services**. All those interested in learning more about the School District 2019/2020 budget and how to provide input are encouraged to attend this information meeting.
3. **Level 4 and 5 Field Study Summary – 2018/2019**
4. **General Statement – January 16, 2019**

Items Requiring Special Mention:

Trustees and the Superintendent reported on the following:

- **Radio Announcement**
Thanks to Power 104, the District Student Council created an advertisement for the upcoming online registration period. Two students, Matthew Richardson from Kelowna Secondary and Mena Perez from Glenrosa Middle, performed the announcement. This message will be aired throughout this week ~ free of charge! A reminder, as stated in the announcement, the initial enrolment application dates for the 2019/2020 school year are set as Monday, February 4, 2019 through to Friday, March 15, 2019.
- **BCIT/School District Graduation**
The BCIT/School District Graduation Ceremony was held on Thursday, January 24th at Rutland Senior Secondary School. Eight students graduated from the Heavy Mechanical Trades and ten students from the Electricity and Industrial Electronics programs.
- **Gateway Graduation**
Congratulations to all students who graduated from the Okanagan College Gateway Project. The Graduation Ceremony was held on Friday, January 25th at Okanagan College. The Okanagan College Gateway Project is a partnership between Okanagan College and Central Programs and Services. The program consists of a 10 week trades exploration experience and is open to students attending Central School.
- **Harmony Day Living Library**
Eighteen amazing speakers presented at the Harmony Day Living Library held today at Hollywood Road Education Services. With the theme of Harmony Day being "Identity", these eighteen speakers spoke about their diverse identities. Middle school students spent the day listening to their speakers of choice and hearing keynote addresses from Keneisha Charles of Rutland Senior Secondary School and Tor Broughton of Dr. Knox Middle School.
- **2nd Annual Rutland Community Learning Forum**
The 2nd Annual Rutland Community Learning Forum will be held on Thursday, January 31st at 6:00 pm at Rutland Senior Secondary School. The Forum provides an opportunity to interact with parents, students and educators from the Rutland family of schools as they come together to demonstrate their learning, inquiry and innovation that is occurring in all Rutland schools.

- **Western Canada Basketball Tournament**

The 45th Annual Interior Savings Western Canada Basketball Tournament will be held on February 7th through 9th at Kelowna Secondary School. The schedule of games can be found on the Kelowna Secondary School website.

Next Public Board Meeting

Public Board Meeting

Wednesday, February 13, 2019

6:00 pm at the School Board Office, 1040 Hollywood Road S.

Board Standing Committee Meetings

Wednesday, February 6, 2019

4:00 pm Policy Committee

6:00 pm Education and Student Services Committee

School Board Office, 1040 Hollywood Road S.

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