



"Together We Learn"

School District No. 23
(Central Okanagan)

BOARD OF EDUCATION PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

(Second and Fourth Wednesday of every month, except July, August and the fourth Wednesday in December, at the School Board Office.)

DATE: Wednesday, December 14, 2011
TIME: 6:00 PM
LOCATION: School Board Office
1940 Underhill St.
Kelowna, B.C. V1X 5X7

Attending:

Trustee M. Baxter
Trustee J. Brinkerhoff
Trustee D. Butler
Trustee R. Cacchioni
Trustee J. Fraser
Trustee C. Gorman
Trustee M. Pendharkar

Staff:

H. Gloster, Superintendent
L. Paul, Secretary-Treasurer
T. Beaudry, Assistant Superintendent
K. Hannigan, Executive Assistant (Recorder)

Partner Group Representatives Attending:

COPAC	No representative
COTA	Alice Rees, President, Susan Bauhart, 1 st Vice-President, and April Smith, 2 nd Vice-President
COPVPA	Cathie Mutter, Secretary
CUPE	Wendy Johnson, Vice-President
DSC	No representative

ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

The Board of Education, District Staff, and Partner Groups respected a moment of silence at the passing of Beverley Coles, Custodian, Peter Greer Elementary School.

AGENDA

Additions/Amendments/Deletions

Add	Action Item	7.7 Policy 230 Principal and Vice-Principal Evaluation of Performance and Regulations 230R Principal and Vice-Principal Evaluation of Performance - Suspension of requirement of Performance Appraisals for the 2011/2012 school year.
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Main

11P-211 **MOVED** by Trustee Gorman, **SECONDED** by Trustee Fraser,
THAT: The Agenda for December 14, 2011 be adopted as amended.
CARRIED

MINUTES

Public Board Meeting - November 23, 2011

(attachment)

Main

11P-212

MOVED by Trustee Baxter, SECONDED by Trustee Gorman,

THAT: The Minutes of the Public Board Meeting of November 23, 2011 be adopted as distributed.

CARRIED

Abstained: Trustee Brinkerhoff, Trustee Pendharkar, Trustee Butler, Trustee Fraser, and Trustee Gorman

Inaugural Board Meeting - December 7, 2011

(attachment)

Main

11P-213

MOVED by Trustee Butler, SECONDED by Trustee Fraser,

THAT: The Minutes of the Inaugural Board Meeting of December 7, 2011 be adopted as distributed.

CARRIED

RECOGNITION/ PRESENTATION/DELEGATIONS

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- The Ministry of Education recently announced that 44 of the District's 2010/2011 graduates have received provincial scholarships for outstanding academic achievement. Additionally, 96 students received Dogwood District/Authority Scholarship Program Awards and 5 students received Secondary School Apprenticeship Scholarship Awards. The names of award recipients will be published in the new year.
- The Superintendent commended all those involved in supporting athletic programs. In particular, the KSS AAAA Girls' Volleyball Team was recognized for bringing home the provincial championship banner. This is the first time in over fifty years that the banner has returned to Kelowna.

PUBLIC QUESTION/COMMENT PERIOD

The purpose of this public question/comment period is to provide an opportunity to members of the gallery to ask a question or comment on any items on the agenda. The total time for this period shall normally be 15 minutes. A person wishing to speak is requested by the Chairperson of the Board to state his/her name and provide, if possible, a written copy of the comments.

TRUSTEES QUERIES/COMMENTS

Trustee Baxter reported that the Westcan Gravel Pit was beginning its operation soon, which will result in additional dump truck traffic along Westside Road.

The Board agreed to refer the matter to the Coordinating Committee to make a recommendation to the Board to limit trucks on Westside Road during peak traffic periods around the schools in the morning and evening, and during school bus run times.

Trustee Baxter expressed concern that the District of West Kelowna was soliciting input from residents on the Rosewood Drive Elementary School site without including consultation from the School District.

The Secretary-Treasurer reported that staff had been involved in consultation with the District of West Kelowna. The Board discussed the Neighbourhoods of Learning opportunities. The Board further requested that staff add the District of West Kelowna survey link to the School District No. 23 website and that the matter also be discussed at a future Board of Education/District of West Kelowna Partner Group meeting.

ACTION ITEMS

November 30, 2011 Class Size, Class Composition and District Class Size Averages Report (attachment)

Recommendation:

The Director of Instruction - Human Resources presented the November 30, 2011 Class Size, Class Composition and District Class Size Averages Report, highlighting an amendment to page 22 where the number of teacher class composition consultation forms submitted at George Pringle Elementary School had to be corrected.

Main

11P-214

MOVED by Trustee Gorman, SECONDED by Trustee Pendharkar,

THAT: The Board approve the School Act Class Size/Class Composition Update Report for the month of November, 2011 as presented at the December 14, 2011 Public Board Meeting, and the Declaration of Appropriate Learning Situation by the Superintendent be approved for submission to the Minister of Education.

CARRIED

Superintendent's Mid-Year Report on Student Achievement

(attachment)

The Superintendent presented the Mid-Year Report on Student Achievement, to meet the January 15, 2012 deadline to be sent to the Minister of Education.

The Board discussed the various targets set for children in care, aboriginal education, literacy, numeracy, and graduation rates, as well as the assessment tools used to gather the data.

Main

11P-215

MOVED by Trustee Baxter, SECONDED by Trustee Brinkerhoff,

THAT: The Board of Education approve the Superintendent's Mid-Year Report on Achievement 2011-2012 as presented at the December 14, 2011 Public Board Meeting;

AND THAT: The Report be sent to the Minister of Education to meet its January 15, 2012 deadline.

CARRIED

Budget Development Principles

(attachment)

Recommendation from the Finance and Legal Committee Meeting - November 16, 2011

The Board discussed the Budget Development Principles and agreed to rearrange the second and third bullet, to read as such:

- Every budget allocation will be aligned to meet the District's mission, vision and values and the objectives of the District as outlined in the Board's achievement contract. Consideration must also be given to the individual school goals found in the school planning council reports.
- The District will obtain the most effective results for the dollars spent.

Main

11P-216

MOVED by Trustee Gorman, SECONDED by Trustee Butler,

THAT: The Board of Education approve the Budget Development Principles 2011/2012, as amended at the December 14, 2011 Public Board Meeting.

CARRIED

School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan) 2011/2012 Budget Timeline

(attachment)

Recommendation from the Finance and Legal Committee Meeting - November 16, 2011

The Secretary-Treasurer presented the 2011/2012 Budget Timeline with the following changes:

- September 20, 2012 meeting moved to September 19, 2012 at 1:00 p.m.
- September 28, 2012 meeting moved to September 27, 2012

Main

11P-217

MOVED by Trustee Fraser, SECONDED by Trustee Gorman,

THAT: The Board of Education approve the 2011/2012 Budget Timeline, as attached and as amended at the December 14, 2011 Public Board Meeting.

CARRIED

Capital Project Bylaw No. 126352 - New Playground Equipment - Capital Requirements

(attachment)

Recommendation from the Planning and Facilities Committee Meeting - November 16, 2011

The Secretary-Treasurer presented the Capital Project Bylaw No. 126352 - New Playground Equipment - Capital Requirements, as required by the Ministry of Education.

Main

11P-218

MOVED by Trustee Baxter, SECONDED by Trustee Pendharkar,

THAT: The Board of Education give first, second, and third reading of Capital Project Bylaw No. 126352 – New Playground Equipment - Capital Requirements, as attached and presented at the December 14, 2011 Public Board Meeting.

CARRIED

Main

11P-219

MOVED by Trustee Baxter, SECONDED by Trustee Butler,

THAT: School District No. 23 Capital Project Bylaw No. 126352 - New Playground Equipment - Capital Requirements, be read a first, second and third time, and finally adopted this 14th day of December, 2011.

CARRIED

Annual Integrated Pest Management Report

(attachment)

Recommendation from the Planning and Facilities Committee Meeting - November 16, 2011

The Secretary-Treasurer presented the Annual Integrated Pest Management Report as per Policy 620 - Site Maintenance, that herbicides and pesticides are not to be used on School District grounds.

Main

11P-220

MOVED by Trustee Butler, SECONDED by Trustee Brinkerhoff,

THAT: The Board accepts the November 7, 2011 Memorandum from the Director of Operations as the Annual Report required in Policy 620 – Site Maintenance.

CARRIED

Policy 230 - Principal and Vice-Principal Evaluation of Performance and Regulations 230R - Principal and Vice-Principal Evaluation of Performance

The Superintendent reported that Policy 230 Principal and Vice-Principal Evaluation of Performance and Regulations 230R Principal and Vice-Principal Evaluation of Performance requires that information is collected by completing a consultation process with the parent advisory council, staff, and students of the school of the Principal or Vice-Principal who is under assessment. As a result of the current teacher job action, the consultation process would be difficult to complete without teacher participation. Staff who normally complete the process are also busy with additional duties resulting from job action. The Superintendent recommended that Policy 230 and Regulations 230R be suspended for the 2011-2012 school year, and as an alternative, a Growth Plan be created for those individuals.

Main

11P-221

MOVED by Trustee Brinkerhoff, SECONDED by Trustee Pendharkar,

THAT: For the 2011-2012 school year, Policy 230 - Principal and Vice-Principal Evaluation of Performance and Regulations 230R - Principal and Vice-Principal Evaluation of Performance, be suspended from requiring performance appraisals;

AND THAT: As an alternative a Growth Plan be created for those individuals.

CARRIED

PUBLIC QUESTION/COMMENT PERIOD

This public question/comment period is to provide an opportunity to members of the gallery to ask a question or comment on any matter pertaining to public education.

Alice Rees, President, COTA, commented on the Class Size, Class Composition and District Class Size Averages Reports, as well as the Superintendent's Mid-Year Report on Student Achievement. Alice Rees reported that teachers take great pride in the students and the goals that the District is trying to meet, despite the difficulty that everyone is facing during the current job action.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Revenue and Expense Summary at October 31, 2011

(attachment)

Referred from the Finance and Legal Committee Meeting - November 16, 2011

Field Trips 2011/2012

(attachment)

The Board discussed Policy 525 - Field Trips and its requirement to report to the Board any field trips which are deemed a level 4 or 5 and be high risk in nature.

BOARD/DISTRICT COMMITTEE REPORTS

BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

- Sent:** Ben Stewart, MLA, Westside-Okanagan, a letter regarding the September 2, 2011 Announcement for Provincial Funding for Playgrounds.
Lorrie Hogaboam, Chairperson, Aboriginal Education Council, a letter regarding representation on the Aboriginal Education Council.
Kana Kostiuk, Student, Okanagan Mission Secondary, a reply email regarding the I Love Boobies Campaign.
Kathleen Alexander, a reply email regarding late busses.
- Received:** **Correspondence Directed to the Board**
Kana Kostiuk, Student, Okanagan Mission Secondary, an email regarding the I Love Boobies Campaign.
Kathleen Alexander, an email regarding late busses.
Carla Norheim, Canadian Association of Educators of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing - British Columbia, a letter informing the School District that Vianne Kintzinger has received the CAEDHH-BC Advocate Award.
Murray Kopp, Director of Parks Services, a letter regarding the Rose Valley Regional Park.
The Honourable George Abbott, Minister of Education, a letter thank the Board for hosting the Minister during the re-opening of Anne McClymont Primary and the new addition of Shannon Lake Elementary.
- Summary of Copies of Letters received by the Board**
School District No. 8 (Kootenay Lake), a letter to the Honourable George Abbott, Minister of Education regarding Ministerial Orders made under School Act Section 37(2).
Stephen Hansen, Executive Director, BCSTA, a letter recognizing the assistance of Executive Assistant, Karri Hannigan.

Main

11P-222

MOVED by Trustee Baxter, SECONDED by Trustee Butler,

THAT: At the December 14, 2011 Public Board Meeting, the Board receive the correspondence listed above.

CARRIED

ITEMS REQUIRING SPECIAL MENTION

BC PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYERS' ASSOCIATION

BC SCHOOL TRUSTEES ASSOCIATION

The Secretary-Treasurer reported that motions for the February 25, 2012 Provincial Council meeting be submitted to BCSTA by January 25, 2012.

The Board agreed to place the item on the Coordinating Committee Agenda for future discussion.

FUTURE MEETINGS

REGULARLY SCHEDULED BOARD MEETINGS

Regular Public Board Meeting
Wednesday, January 11, 2012, at 6:00 p.m., School Board Office

Regular Public Board Meeting
Wednesday, January 25, 2012, at 6:00 p.m., School Board Office

BOARD STANDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS

CANCELLED - Human Resources and Staff Services
Wednesday, January 4, 2012, at 3:00 p.m., School Board Office

NOTICES OF MOTION

ITEMS FOR A FUTURE AGENDA

Coordinating Committee

- BCSTA Provincial Council February 25, 2012 - Motions due January 25, 2012
- Trustee Code of Conduct - Use of Social Media - Discussion requested by Trustee Pendharkar
- Gravel Pit traffic on Westside Road

ADJOURNMENT: The Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

Chairperson

Secretary-Treasurer