



**BOARD OF EDUCATION
PUBLIC MEETING
MINUTES**

**Wednesday, June 23, 2021, 6:00 pm
Via Zoom**

Board of Education: Trustee M. Baxter, Chairperson
Trustee N. Bowman
Trustee C. Desrosiers
Trustee J. Fraser
Trustee A. Geistlinger
Trustee L. Tiede

Staff: Kevin Kaardal, Superintendent of Schools/CEO
Ryan Stierman, Secretary-Treasurer/CFO
Terry Beaudry, Deputy Superintendent of Schools
Michelle DesRochers, Executive Assistant (recorder)
Mona Essler, Executive Assistant

Partner Groups: Susan Bauhart, COTA President
David Tether, CUPE President
Mehak Parihar, DSC - Grade 10 at RSS

There were no representatives from COPVPA or COPAC.

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

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 pm.

AGENDA

The Board Chair stated that there was a late presentation request from École George Pringle Elementary School French Immersion parents which can be added to the Agenda by a majority vote of the Board.

Main 21P-095

MOVED by Trustee Desrosiers

SECONDED by Trustee Geistlinger

THAT: The Board of Education add new agenda item 6. Public Presentation regarding École George Pringle Elementary School.

CARRIED

Main 21P-096

MOVED by Trustee Tiede

SECONDED by Trustee Bowman

THAT: The Agenda for the Public Board Meeting of June 23, 2021 be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

MINUTES

Public Board Meeting - June 9, 2021

Main 21P-097

MOVED by Trustee Fraser

SECONDED by Trustee Tiede

THAT: The Minutes of the Public Board Meeting of June 9, 2021 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

RECOGNITION

Mount Boucherie Secondary School Junior Concert Band - MusicFest Canada Virtual Festival Silver Medalists

Participating via Zoom: Scott Sieben, Principal

Chris Perry, Teacher

Rya Verbickas, Grade 10 Student (won outstanding performer at the Festival)

The Board of Education congratulated the Mount Boucherie Secondary School Junior Concert Band who won a silver medal at the recent MusicFest Canada Virtual Festival.

MusicFest Canada is an invitation only festival where bands and choirs from across the country perform. At the Festival, the Mount Boucherie Secondary School Junior Concert Band performed Bay Shore by Joseph Compello, Chasing Sunlight by Cait Nishimura, and Our Kingsland Spring by Samuel R. Hazo. To listen to their performances, please click on the following link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b5hjVxCx2KA>

Mount Boucherie Secondary School Senior Concert Band - MusicFest Canada Virtual Festival Silver Medalists

Participating via Zoom: Scott Sieben, Principal
Chris Perry, Teacher
Aki Smith, Grade 12 Student (won outstanding performer at the Festival)

The Board of Education congratulated the Mount Boucherie Secondary School Senior Concert Band who won a silver medal at the recent MusicFest Canada Virtual Festival.

At the Festival, the Mount Boucherie Secondary School Senior Concert Band performed Manhattan Beach by John Phillip Sousa and Ross Roy by Jacob de Hann. To listen to their performances, please click on the following link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tDi1URCEof4>

Renay Willier, Grade 12 Student, Mount Boucherie Secondary School - Recipient of NCAA Division 1 Fastball Scholarship

Participating via Zoom: Scott Sieben, Principal
Renay Willier, Grade 12 Student

The Board of Education congratulated Renay Willier for recently accepting a scholarship to play Division 1 fastball with Seattle University. Renay is one of the top fastpitch players in Western Canada, and has received a four-year scholarship worth \$80,000 US to Seattle University, one of the top ranked NCAA schools for women's fastpitch.

CENTRAL OKANAGAN PUBLIC SCHOOLS – "INSIDE 23"

Virtual Choir Sister School Collaboration

École Glenrosa Middle School and Haruhigaoka High School Virtual Choir Project

Unable to attend from École Glenrosa Middle School, because of Graduation Activities at the same time: Jesse Bruce, Principal
Kimberley Gorman, Band Teacher and Music Director

École Glenrosa Middle School Band teacher and Music Director, Kimberley Gorman, has gone above and beyond in her efforts to keep the connection with the École Glenrosa Middle School sister school – Haruhigaoka High School in Kasugai, Japan. The video showed a collaborative virtual choir produced by Ms. Gorman.

PUBLIC PRESENTATION

École George Pringle Elementary School

Presenter: Dr. Unjali Malhotra

Dr. Malhotra, representing the 76 parents who have signed the "Make West Kelowna French Immersion a Priority" petition, provided the Board with the parent's proposal to have a pre-K, K to Grade 12 dual track school located on the École George Pringle Elementary School site.

STAFF PRESENTATIONS

Superintendent of Schools/CEO Report on Student Achievement 2021

Presenter: Kevin Kaardal, Superintendent of Schools/CEO

The Superintendent of Schools/CEO provided a summary PowerPoint presentation of the Report on Student Achievement 2021. To view the full Report on Student Achievement 2021 please visit the Central Okanagan Public Schools website at www.sd23.bc.ca under Documents and Publications.

Superintendent of Schools/CEO Year in Review

Presenter: Kevin Kaardal, Superintendent of Schools/CEO

The Superintendent of Schools/CEO provided an overview of the 2020/2021 school year identifying student achievements, special events, challenges and business involving the Board of Education. The Superintendent of Schools/CEO thanked the Board of Education, all staff members, partner groups, and the community for their efforts to support student achievement this year. The Superintendent of Schools/CEO 'Year in Review' is available on the Central Okanagan Public Schools website at www.sd23.bc.ca under Documents and Publications.

PUBLIC QUESTION/COMMENT PERIOD

Linda Dueck: Ms. Dueck queried when the Board will be considering introducing new course curriculum for 2021-2022. The Superintendent of Schools/CEO stated that most courses are approved at the provincial level; however, the Board does have the option to provide Board Authority/Authorized (BAA) Courses. BAA course proposals typically come forward to the Education and Student Services Committee annually in the Spring. Any further questions can be sent to either the Superintendent of Schools/CEO or the Deputy Superintendent.

ACTION ITEMS

Capital Plan Bylaw No. 2021/22-CPSD23-01

Recommendation from the Planning and Facilities Committee Meeting - June 2, 2021

Main 21P-098

MOVED by Trustee Desrosiers

SECONDED by Trustee Fraser

THAT: The Board of Education of School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan) give first reading to Capital Bylaw No. 2021/22-CPSD23-01.

CARRIED

Main 21P-099

MOVED by Trustee Desrosiers

SECONDED by Trustee Tiede

THAT: The Board of Education of School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan) give second reading to Capital Bylaw No. 2021/22-CPSD23-01.

CARRIED

Main 21P-100

MOVED by Trustee Desrosiers

SECONDED by Trustee Fraser

THAT: The Board of Education of School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan) give all three readings to Capital Bylaw No. 2021/22-CPSD23-01 at the June 23, 2021 Public Board Meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Main 21P-101

MOVED by Trustee Desrosiers

SECONDED by Trustee Tiede

THAT: The Board of Education of School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan) give third reading and adopt Capital Bylaw No. 2021/22-CPSD23-01.

CARRIED

2022-2023 Five Year Capital Plan Submission

Recommendation from the Planning and Facilities Committee - June 2, 2021

Main 21P-102

MOVED by Trustee Desrosiers

SECONDED by Trustee Fraser

THAT: The Board of Education approve the Capital Plan Resolution for the 2022/2023 Capital Plan as outlined on the attached summary, as attached to the Agenda, and presented at the June 23, 2021 Public Board Meeting.

CARRIED

Enhancement Agreement - Mar Jok Elementary School Picnic Tables

Recommendation from the Planning and Facilities Committee Meeting - June 2, 2021

Main 21P-103

MOVED by Trustee Desrosiers

SECONDED by Trustee Bowman

THAT: The Board of Education enter into an Enhancement Agreement with the Mar Jok Elementary School PAC for the installation of three picnic tables, as attached to the Agenda, and as presented at the June 23, 2021 Public Board Meeting.

CARRIED

2021/2022 Annual Budget Bylaw

Recommendation from the Finance and Audit Committee - June 16, 2021

Main 21P-104

MOVED by Trustee Tiede

SECONDED by Trustee Desrosiers

THAT: The Board of Education of School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan) give first reading to the School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan) Annual Budget Bylaw for the Fiscal Year 2021/2022 in the amount of \$292,680,128.

CARRIED

Main 21P-105

MOVED by Trustee Tiede

SECONDED by Trustee Fraser

THAT: The Board of Education of School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan) give second reading to the School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan) Annual Budget Bylaw for the Fiscal Year 2021/2022 in the amount of \$292,680,128.

CARRIED

Main 21P-106

MOVED by Trustee Tiede

SECONDED by Trustee Desrosiers

THAT: The Board of Education of School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan) give all three readings to the School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan) Annual Budget Bylaw for the Fiscal Year 2021/2022 in the amount of \$292,680,128.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Main 21P-107

MOVED by Trustee Tiede

SECONDED by Trustee Fraser

THAT: The Board of Education of School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan) give third reading and adopt the School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan) Annual Budget Bylaw for the Fiscal Year 2021/2022 in the amount of \$292,680,128 on the 23rd day of June 2021. CARRIED

Board/Authority Authorized (BAA) Course Proposals - Indigenous Art Studio 11 and 12

Recommendation from the Education and Student Services Committee - June 16, 2021

Main 21P-108

MOVED by Trustee Bowman

SECONDED by Trustee Geistlinger

THAT: The Board of Education approve the Board/Authority Authorized (BAA) Course Proposal - Indigenous Art Studio 11 (Mount Boucherie Secondary School), as attached to the Agenda, and as presented at the June 23, 2021 Public Board of Education Meeting;

AND THAT: The Board of Education approve the Board/Authority Authorized (BAA) Course Proposal - Indigenous Art Studio 12 (Mount Boucherie Secondary School), as attached to the Agenda, and as presented at the June 23, 2021 Public Board of Education Meeting.

CARRIED

PUBLIC QUESTION/COMMENT PERIOD

Linda Dueck: Ms. Dueck expressed concerns regarding information shared with students regarding the Residential School mass grave in Kamloops and queried what kind of instruction is given to teachers about sharing sensitive information with students.

Both the Board Chair and Superintendent of Schools/CEO suggested that specific concerns be brought forward to the teacher and/or school Principal. It was also shared that teachers do receive training on how to deliver sensitive material to students.

Justin Dueck: Mr. Dueck queried if children are being asked to consent to a COVID-19 vaccine without parental notification.

The Superintendent of Schools/CEO stated that the administration of vaccinations is not within the School District's purview. The District did forward a letter to parents on behalf of Interior Health but recommends that any questions regarding vaccinations be sent to Interior Health directly. Interior Health has reported to the District that when administering a vaccine to a minor, they are asking the student to inform the parent.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Superintendent's Emergent Issues

The Superintendent of Schools/CEO stated that he had no emergent issues to report.

Superintendent's COVID-19 Update

The Superintendent of Schools/CEO reported that in collaboration with Interior Health, a staff and community vaccination clinic has been scheduled for three days at École Kelowna Secondary School for first and second vaccines. The last day of the clinic is Thursday, June 24, 2021 and starts at 1:00 pm.

Level 4 and 5 Field Study Summary – 2020/2021 and 2021/2022

The Board reviewed the information.

General Statement – June 9, 2021

The Board reviewed the information.

School District Portable Information

Referred by the Planning and Facilities Committee - June 2, 2021

The Board reviewed the information.

In response to a query, the Secretary-Treasurer/CFO stated that the District is looking at options to add another portable to Mount Boucherie Secondary School due to higher than expected enrolment.

Updated Sustainability Initiatives

Referred by the Planning and Facilities Committee - June 2, 2021

The Board reviewed the information.

Trustee Desrosiers, Chair of the Planning and Facilities Committee, commended the Sustainability Manager and Operations Department for all their hard work to reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions and for winning FortisBC's 2020 Efficiency in Action Award.

The Office of the Ombudsperson Quarterly Reports: January 1 - March 31, 2021

The Board reviewed the information.

Westside Catchment Review Consultation Process

The Board reviewed the information.

Okanagan Mission Catchment Review Consultation Process

The Board reviewed the information.

Supporting Students (K-12) - Summer 2021

Referred by the Education and Student Services Committee - June 16, 2021

Trustee Bowman, Chair of the Education and Student Services Committee, shared that the additional supports for students over the summer are exciting opportunities for families. An update on the uptake and outcomes of the additional supports will be provided to the Education and Student Services Committee in the Fall.

New Trustee Swearing in Ceremony

Date: Tuesday, July 13, 2021

Time: 5:00 pm

Location: Board Room or Board Office Court Yard (*depending on COVID-19 restrictions*), 1040 Hollywood Road South

COPAC Executive 2021-2022

The Board of Education congratulated the members of the COPAC Executive for 2021-2022:

President:	Simon Adams
Treasurer:	Susan Derickson
Secretary:	Roseanne Kufeldt
Members-at-Large:	Sarena Smith and Nicola Baker

BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

Sent:

Letter of Support, June 10, 2021, Chefs in the Classroom

Response to N. Khoo, June 15, 2021, More Questions for this Evening

COPAC, June 16, 2021, Congratulations and Invite to Meet with the Board of Education

Response to U. Malhotra, June 16, 2021, Programs

Received:

L. Adderley, June 5, 2021, Music Program at Glenrosa Middle School

Copy of J. Bruce's Response to L. Adderley, June 7, 2021, Music Program at Glenrosa Middle School

U. Malhotra, June 7, 2021, Quote and BIPOC Board Members

D. Bee, June 8, 2021, Dr. Prabhat Jha - Rapid Testing Should be Expanded in Hotspots Such as Schools and Workplaces

A. Gorman, June 9, 2021, Re Land Acquisition Criteria

Copy of Secretary-Treasurer's Response to A. Gorman, June 9, 2021, Re Land Acquisition Criteria

Copy of A. Gorman's Response to Secretary-Treasurer, June 11, 2021, Re Land Acquisition Criteria

L. Guderyan, June 11, 2021, École George Pringle Elementary School

J. Hoffman, June 13, 2021, Copy of letter sent to BC Minister of Education Re Why have children with EHS been denied their right to inclusion in their home school

N. Khoo, June 15, 2021, More Questions for this Evening

U. Malhotra, June 16, 2021, Programs

N. Khoo, June 17, 2021, Re More Questions for this Evening

Main 21P-109

MOVED by Trustee Fraser

SECONDED by Trustee Geistlinger

THAT: At the June 23, 2021 Public Board Meeting, the Board receive the correspondence listed above.

CARRIED

ITEMS REQUIRING SPECIAL MENTION

- The final 10 teams in the **iGen Challenge** showed courage and grace under fire in the live pitch in front of three judges held on Thursday, June 17, 2021 at the Okanagan Innovation Centre on Doyle Avenue. Congratulations to:
 - 1st Place – N.A. Productions – Rutland Senior Secondary School
Owen Brunt and Trent Swetlishoff
 - 2nd Place – Sagebrush Sticker Co. – Rutland Senior Secondary School
Megan Vogt, Neha Bagri and Reese Wiebe
 - 3rd Place – The Shoe B&B – Okanagan Mission Secondary School
Ben Hebert and Riley Kalesnikoff
- Congratulations to **Christina Hidalgo**, a teacher at Canyon Falls Middle School, who was recognized for her dedication and promotion of excellence in teaching mathematics by receiving the **British Columbia Association of Mathematics Teachers Outstanding Middle School Teacher Award**.
- Congratulations to Dave Cavezza, District Health and Safety Manager, and the entire Health & Safety Department, on completion of the **2020 Certificate of Recognition Safety Audit**. With the successful completion of the COR audit, the District received \$149,634. Certificate of Recognition (COR) is a certification that BC organizations can obtain by voluntarily undergoing a WorkSafeBC sponsored safety audit. Only one other BC school district has COR certification. What this means is that our Occupational Safety Management System exceeds the WorkSafeBC regulatory requirement. Organizations who pass COR receive an incentive payment from WorkSafeBC. The incentive payment is 10% of the annual premiums paid to WorkSafeBC.
- **Thank you** to all Graduation Coordinators, staff and parents who have done so much to support the virtual graduation activities this year.

- **National Indigenous People's Day – June 21, 2021** - Schools throughout the Central Okanagan Public Schools celebrated National Indigenous People's Day on June 21, 2021.
- Trustees and senior staff recently participated in a tour of the new **École H.S. Grenda Middle School** which will open in September.
- Trustees and the Superintendent reflected on the 2020/2021 school year and expressed gratitude to all 4,000 employees, 23,000+ students and their families, for their efforts that resulted in an accomplishment that few jurisdictions in the world achieved during the pandemic. We kept schools open and offered a world class education.
- It is expected that, starting in September, Board Meetings will be held in person. Thanks were expressed to the Board Office Executive Assistants who have managed the "remote" meetings for the past 15 months. The Board looks forward to welcoming everyone, in person, to the Public Board and Committee Meetings.

FUTURE MEETINGS

Regularly Scheduled Board Meetings

Regular Public Board Meeting

Wednesday, September 15, 2021 at 6:00 pm, Board Room Main at 1040 Hollywood Road South (TBC)

Regular Public Board Meeting

Wednesday, September 29, 2021 at 6:00 pm, Board Room Main at 1040 Hollywood Road South (TBC)

Board Standing Committee Meetings

Planning and Facilities Committee Meeting

Wednesday, September 1, 2021 at 4:00 pm, Board Room Main at 1040 Hollywood Road South (TBC)

Finance and Audit Committee Meeting

Wednesday, September 22, 2021 at 4:00 pm, Board Room Main at 1040 Hollywood Road South (TBC)

Education and Student Services Committee Meeting

Wednesday, September 22, 2021 at 6:00 pm, Board Room Main at 1040 Hollywood Road South (TBC)

NOTICES OF MOTION

There were no Notices of Motion.

ITEMS FOR A FUTURE AGENDA

There were no items for a future agenda.

MEDIA QUESTIONS

There were no media questions submitted.

ADJOURNMENT

The Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 8:31 pm.

Chairperson

Secretary-Treasurer/CFO