



"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, May 23, 2012
TIME: 6:00 PM
LOCATION: School Board Office
1940 Underhill St.
Kelowna, B.C. V1X 5X7

Attending:

Board of Education:

Trustee R. Cacchioni
Trustee M. Baxter
Trustee J. Brinkerhoff
Trustee D. Butler
Trustee C. Gorman (*arrived at 6:07 pm*)
Trustee J. Fraser
Trustee M. Pendharkar

Staff:

H. Gloster, Superintendent
L. Paul, Secretary-Treasurer
T. Beaudry, Assistant Superintendent
R. Dumontet, Director of Instruction, Human Resources
B. Bertram, Executive Assistant (Recorder)

Partner Group Representatives Attending:

COPAC	No representative
COTA	Alice Rees – President and Susan Bauhart - First Vice-President
COPVA	Cathie Mutter, Secretary
CUPE	Wendy Johnson, Vice-President
DSC	No representative

ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m.

AGENDA

Additions/Amendments/Deletions

Main

12P-074 MOVED by Trustee Fraser, SECONDED by Trustee Pendharkar,
THAT: The Agenda for May 23, 2012 be adopted as presented.
CARRIED

MINUTES

Public Board Meeting – May 9, 2012

Main

12P-075 MOVED by Trustee Brinkerhoff, SECONDED by Trustee Baxter,
THAT: The Minutes of the Public Board Meeting of May 9, 2012 be adopted as distributed.
CARRIED

RECOGNITION/ PRESENTATION/DELEGATIONS

GESS Field Trip to Encounters Canada in Ottawa, February 11 – 18, 2012

The Board were provided with a presentation from Ben Reilly, Grade 9 student at George Elliot Secondary School, and Natalie Morin, Teacher, regarding a field trip to Encounters Canada in Ottawa in February 2012.

KSS Grade 12 Fine Arts Students – Film Presentation “Acceptance”

Trustees viewed a film presentation created by the following KSS Grade 12 Fine Arts Students:

- Keegan Agnew
- Hannah Bende (International Student)
- Savana Salloum-Hedgecock
- Spenser Sipe
- Carlee Vollhoffer

Ann-Marie Holmwood, Teacher, provided background information on the development of the film.

District of Peachland Youth of the Year Award

The Board congratulated Lauren Boorman, Grade 11, Mount Boucherie Secondary School, for being the recipient of this year’s District of Peachland Youth of the Year Award.

Cst. Sherri Lund, Newly Appointed West Kelowna RCMP Liaison Officer

Trustees welcomed Cst. Sherri Lund and offered congratulations on her new appointment as the West Kelowna RCMP Liaison Officer.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

6:35 pm: *The Assistant Superintendent left the meeting.*

6:36 pm: *The Assistant Superintendent returned to the meeting.*

The Superintendent reported the following:

- **KSS Cancer Fundraiser Breakfast on Thursday, May 24, 6:30 am – 9:30 am at Rona**
KSS has cancer fundraising events taking place throughout the week, culminating in a “head shaving” event on Friday, May 25th. These are examples of some of the many fundraising events taking place throughout the District. Principals have been asked to provide the Superintendent with a snapshot of fundraising events their schools are involved in both globally and locally in their communities.
- **Public Consultation Meetings – Long Term Facility Plan**
The five regional public consultation meetings have taken place with a modest turnout at each of the meetings. All public meeting and online feedback will be collated and provided to Trustees at the Planning and Facilities Committee Special Public Meeting on Wednesday, May 30th at 4:00 pm. This information will subsequently be presented to the Board in June. The draft Long Term Facility Plan will be developed over the summer months for presentation at a fall Board Meeting.
- **OKM Secondary School Theatre Committee Gala Event**
The event is scheduled for Monday, May 28th at 7:00 pm at OKM Secondary School. The Committee is raising funds for the addition of a new theatre at OKM Secondary School.
- **School District No. 23 – A Celebration of Five Years – Our District Graduation Goal**
A video has been distributed to all staff, along with a package of information, celebrating the improving graduation trend line over the past five years. The efforts and achievements of all staff members were recognized in helping to improve the graduation rate and the success of Central Okanagan students.

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.

Alice Rees, newly re-elected President of the C.O.T.A., provided information on the 2012/2013 C.O.T.A. Executive.

TRUSTEES QUERIES/COMMENTS

Trustee Pendharkar

Requested that a tour of the Dease Rd. Operations Department be arranged for Trustees.

The Secretary-Treasurer will arrange a tour in the near future.

6:50 pm: Trustee Gorman left the meeting.

6:51 pm: Trustee Gorman returned to the meeting.

ACTION ITEMS

School Act Class Size/Class Composition Update Report: April 2012

The Director of Instruction, Human Resources reviewed the information contained within the report.

Main

12P-076

MOVED by Trustee Gorman, SECONDED by Trustee Butler,

THAT: The Board approve the School Act Class Size/Class Composition Update Report for the month of April 2012, as presented at the May 23, 2012 Public Board Meeting, and the Declaration of Appropriate Learning Situation by the Superintendent be approved for submission to the Minister of Education.

CARRIED

6:56 pm: The Director of Instruction, Human Resources left the meeting.

International Education Annual Report

Trustee Fraser, Chairperson of the Education and Student Services Committee, provided background information on the report and recommendation.

Main

12P-077

MOVED by Trustee Fraser, SECONDED by Trustee Brinkerhoff,

THAT: The Board of Education reaffirm support for the International Education Program in its current configuration, holding to the enrolment guidelines established by the Board of Education which sets the capacity of the program at approximately 200 FTE students and an additional 50 short-term students.

Trustees discussed the information contained within the report and requested clarification on the distribution of the income generated by international students.

The question was called on Main Motion 12P-077.

CARRIED

Amended Policy 425 “Student Fees”

Trustee Gorman, Chairperson of the Finance and Legal Committee, provided information on the proposed amendment to the policy.

Main
12P-078

MOVED by Trustee Gorman, SECONDED by Trustee Fraser,
THAT: The Board of Education approve amended Policy 425 “Student Fees”, as attached and as presented at the May 23, 2012 Public Board Meeting.
CARRIED

Ministry Early Learning Agreement Approval

Board approval of the Ministry Early Learning Agreement is required in order for the Ministry to provide the District with funds to operate its eight StrongStart Centres as well as the Ready, Set, Learn Program.

Main
12P-079

MOVED by Trustee Butler, SECONDED by Trustee Baxter,
THAT: The Board of Education approve the new Early Learning Agreement with the Ministry of Education as attached and as presented at the May 23, 2012 Public Board Meeting.

Trustees discussed the information provided and requested further information on the number of StrongStart Centres within the District. The eight StrongStart Centres are regionally located and are also located in areas of higher vulnerability. The District has applied for an additional Centre each time the Ministry has opened up applications. The Ministry has announced that, at this point, they will not be funding additional StrongStart Centres.

The question was called on Main Motion 12P-079.
CARRIED

District One Goal Statement

The Superintendent reviewed the year-long development process for the creation of the One Goal Statement which encompasses, but does not exclusively focus on, the traditional goals of numeracy, literacy and graduation. The Statement places the focus on the student, preparing them for their independence and equipping them for their journey after the K-12 years. The Minister of Education has asked all districts to develop an overarching goal statement. The work plan for the coming year will include community consultation to align the District’s Mission and Vision Statements with the overarching One Goal Statement and the Board approved Attributes of a Learner.

Main
12P-080

MOVED by Trustee Gorman, SECONDED by Trustee Fraser,
THAT: The Board of Education approve the following One Goal Statement:
Each Central Okanagan School District student (K-12) will provide evidence of being a learner, thinker, innovator, collaborator and contributor.

Trustees discussed the information provided.

The question was called on Main Motion 12P-080.
CARRIED

Transportation – Additional Service Routes

Under policy, additional service routes may be added to an existing run where there is an available bus and a significant demand for service that is not part of the regular run; however, the additional service route must be self-sustaining. With the Board approved 50% decrease to transportation fees for the 2012/2013 school year, four of the existing additional service routes would no longer be self-sustaining. Waiving of the policy, for the coming year only, would maintain the efficiency of the current transportation fee accounting system. If policy is followed, three of the additional service routes will have students paying more than other students. One additional service route will be cancelled due to the available bus moving to a different route.

Main

12P-081

MOVED by Trustee Pendharkar, SECONDED by Trustee Butler,

THAT: The Board of Education waive the requirement in Policy 470 “Transportation Services Management” to collect the actual cost for Additional Service Routes and, for the 2012/2013 school year, set the Transportation Charge for all riders at the level established in Motion 12P-059.

The Board reviewed the information provided.

The question was called on Main Motion 12P-081.

CARRIED

OPPOSED: Trustee Gorman

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.

The C.O.T.A. President thanked the District for the “Celebration” video and package of information which was sent to each staff member in the District, celebrating the improving graduation trend and thanking all staff members for their efforts and achievements in helping improve the success of Central Okanagan students.

INFORMATION ITEMS

School Fees 2012/2013

Trustee Gorman, Chairperson of the Finance and Legal Committee, provided a brief review of the information contained within the memorandum. The Board requested that, in future, the term “School Fees” be replaced by “Student Fees” which aligns with Ministry of Education terminology.

Hollywood Road Education Services (HRES) Review

Trustee Fraser, Chairperson of the Education and Student Services Committee, provided background information on the review of Hollywood Road Education Services.

English as a Second Language (ESL) Annual Report

Trustees reviewed the ESL Report.

2012/2013 Schedule for Program Reviews, Support Structures and Initiatives

The Board reviewed the information provided.

Central Okanagan Principals' and Vice-Principals' Association (COPVPA)
2012/2013 Executive

The information provided was reviewed.

Month End Enrolment – April 2012

Trustees considered the Month End Enrolment information for April 2012.

Field Trips 2011/2012

The information was considered.

Field Trips 2012/2013

The information provided was reviewed.

General Statement

BOARD/DISTRICT COMMITTEE REPORTS

BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

Sent: Board congratulations to 2011 – 2012 District Student Council Members, May 16, 2012.

Received: **Correspondence Directed to the Board**

Summary of Copies of Letters received by the Board

Vancouver Island North, School District No. 85, April 16, 2012, to the Minister of Education and all BC Boards of Education, regarding Bill 22 and the government's inability to reach a negotiated agreement with teachers.

Kootenay Lake, School District No. 8, May 9, 2012, to BCPSEA, BCTF, the Ministry of Education and all BC Boards of Education, regarding negative effects experienced due to the BCTF Strike Action.

Prince Rupert, School District No. 52, May 9, 2012, to the Minister of Education and all BC Boards of Education, regarding a resolution to Bill 28 and Bill 33.

Main
12P-082

MOVED by Trustee Brinkerhoff, SECONDED by Trustee Fraser,
THAT: At the May 23, 2012 Public Board Meeting, the Board receive the correspondence listed above.
CARRIED

ITEMS REQUIRING SPECIAL MENTION

BC PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYERS' ASSOCIATION

BC SCHOOL TRUSTEES ASSOCIATION

Call for Presentations for the 2012 Educational Leadership Conference in Vancouver on November 15 & 16, 2012

The Board discussed the call for presentations and the possibility of a presentation from the Central Okanagan School District highlighting some of its tremendous accomplishments. The call for presentations has been distributed to senior District staff for consideration. The deadline for a response is Friday, June 15, 2012.

FUTURE MEETINGS

REGULARLY SCHEDULED BOARD MEETINGS

Regular Public Board Meeting
Wednesday, June 13, 2012, at 6:00 p.m., School Board Office

Regular Public Board Meeting
Wednesday, June 27, 2012, at 6:00 p.m., School Board Office

BOARD STANDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Planning and Facilities Committee Special Public Meeting
Wednesday, May 30, at 4:00 p.m., School Board Office

Human Resources and Staff Services Committee Public Meeting
Wednesday, June 6, at 4:30 pm, School Board Office

Education and Student Services Committee Public Meeting
Wednesday, June 6, at 6:30 pm, School Board Office

BOARD MEETINGS WITH PARTNER AND COMMUNITY GROUPS

District of Peachland Mayor and Council

Tuesday, May 22, 2012 at 9:00 am, at the District of Peachland Council Office.

District of Lake Country Mayor and Council

Thursday, May 24, 2012 at 7:00 pm, at the District of Lake Country Office.

NOTICES OF MOTION

ITEMS FOR A FUTURE AGENDA

ADJOURNMENT: The Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 7:53 pm.

Chairperson

Secretary-Treasurer