



"Together We Learn"

**School District No. 23
(Central Okanagan)**

BOARD OF EDUCATION BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Date: Wednesday, October 22, 2014

Chairperson, Moyra Baxter, called for a moment of silence in recognition of the soldier killed today while guarding the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Ottawa.

Action Items:

1. Criminal Record Checks for Trustees

A motion was approved by the Board of Education that all trustees must complete a criminal record check at the beginning of their term of office.

2. District Student Council Request to Review Policy Form 525.4 – Student Using Vehicle During School Hours

The Board of Education agreed to support the current practice of not allowing students to drive other students to or from activities in school hours in accordance with Form 525.4.

Information Items:

1. Superintendent's Emergent Issues

The Superintendent reported on the following:

- There are approximately 600 students and teachers attending WE DAY in Vancouver. WE DAY is an initiative of Free the Children led by co-founders Marc and Craig Kielburger. The goal of WE DAY Vancouver is to motivate youth to make a difference in their communities and around the world. Each student group that attends is asked to make a commitment of one local and one global action throughout the year in order to help create positive change in the world.
- Staff have engaged in four public consultation meetings with Lake Country Parent Advisory Councils (PACs) regarding the enrolment challenges associated with the current catchment area boundaries. Lake Country parents and community members will be invited to provide feedback on proposed catchment area changes using the 'Thoughtexchange' on-line survey format. Once this feedback has been received and reviewed, staff will provide a preferred recommendation regarding changes to catchment areas in Lake Country. The Board will review all input and make a decision as to how the catchment areas should be revised.
- Staff are preparing to begin public consultation meetings with the Rutland community to discuss possible changes to grade configurations. These meetings have been scheduled as follows:
 - Monday, Nov. 17th 6:30-8:30 p.m. Springvalley Middle School
 - Tuesday, Nov. 18th 6:30-8:30 p.m. Rutland Middle School
 - Thursday, Nov. 20th 6:30-8:30 p.m. Rutland Senior Secondary School
- Staff are also engaged in a process to review the possibility of establishing a French Immersion middle school program on the Westside.

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The following items were reviewed by the Board:

1. District Funds Allocated to the Aboriginal Education Program 2013/2014
2. Lake Country Native Association Winter Family Gathering Traditional Pow Wow
3. Trustee Attendance at Remembrance Day Ceremonies
 - Kelowna Trustee Gorman and Trustee Brinkerhoff
 - Lake Country Trustee Butler
 - Peachland Trustee Baxter
 - Rutland Trustee Cacchioni and Trustee Pendharkar
 - West Kelowna Trustee Fraser
4. Field Trips 2014/2015
5. General Statement

Next Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting Date:

Regular Public Board Meeting
Wednesday, November 12, 2014 at 6:00 p.m.
School Board Office
The public is welcome to attend.

Next Board Standing Committee Meeting Dates:

Wednesday, November 5, 2014
4:30 Human Resources and Staff Services
6:30 Education and Student Services

For comments, please contact:

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