

CENTRAL OKANAGAN PUBLIC SCHOOLS – BOARD COMMITTEE REPORT

COMMITTEE: Education and Student Services DATE: January 9, 2019

CHAIRPERSON: Trustee Norah Bowman STAFF CONTACT: Terry-Lee Beaudry, Deputy Superintendent

*The Committee Chairperson acknowledged that the meeting was being held on the
Traditional Territory of the Okanagan People.*

Board Attendees:

Trustee N. Bowman - Chairperson
Trustee C. Desrosiers – Committee Member
Trustee A. Geistlinger – Committee Member
Trustee M. Baxter

Staff:

K. Kaardal, Superintendent of Schools/CEO
T. Beaudry, Deputy Superintendent of Schools
Y. Hildebrandt, Executive Assistant (Recorder)

Partner Group Representation:

COPAC	Sarah Shakespeare, President
COPVPA	Raquel Steen, Past President
COPVPA	Brady Ibbetson, Elementary Representative
COTA	Lori Dawson Bedard, First Vice-President
CUPE	No Representative
District Student Council	Matthew Richardson, Grade 12, Kelowna Secondary

Agenda – Additions/Amendments/Deletions

Add: 5.1 Board of Education Response to Missing PAC Funds

Add: 5.2 CBC News Article “Victoria School District Tracking How Often Special Needs Students are Asked to Miss Class”

Public Education and Student Services Committee Agenda – January 9, 2019 – approved as amended.

Reports/Matters Arising

Correction: Future Education and Student Services ~~2017~~ 2019 Committee Meetings

Public Education and Student Services Committee Report – December 5, 2018 – received as amended.

Recognitions/Presentations/Delegations

1. Foundry Kelowna – Establishing Priorities for 2019

Shelagh Turner, Executive Director – Canadian Mental Health Association (CMHA), Mike Gawliuk, Director of Service Delivery and Program Innovation – CMHA, and Melissa Feddersen, Centre Manager – Foundry Kelowna, provided an update on Foundry Kelowna. Foundry Kelowna operates both walk-in and scheduled services for young people 12 to 24 years of age. It is an integrated youth services site, providing support for youth, their families and caregivers in one location. Since the doors opened in 2017, over 2000 young people have been served. Staff from the Foundry and Central Okanagan Public Schools will collaborate to organize school-based community consultation meetings to gather feedback about how a Foundry mobile service can best meet the needs of youth and families in outlying communities.

2. The Purpose of the School Completion 'Evergreen' Certificate Program

Vianne Kintzinger, Assistant Superintendent of Schools, shared that the purpose of the School Completion 'Evergreen' Certificate is to celebrate student success. It is not a graduation credential. The Evergreen Certificate represents the student's completion of personal learning goals and fulfilling the requirements of their Individual Education Plan. Students with learning challenges unable to earn the British Columbia Graduation Diploma, known as the Dogwood, may enter the School Completion Certificate pathway to earn the 'Evergreen'. At graduation, students are honoured for completing the Dogwood or Evergreen requirements.

Committee Members Queries/Comments

1. School District Board of Education Response to Missing PAC Funds

Trustee Baxter shared that a statement will be coming soon from the Board of Education and the School District on this news item. The Board of Education ensured that students will not miss out on school-organized events because of missing funds. All parents are encouraged to be involved in and support their Parent Advisory Councils, and that Parent Advisory Councils establish accounting procedures to monitor PAC-generated funds.

2. Victoria School District Tracking How Often Special Needs Students are Asked to Miss Class – CBC News Article

Trustee Bowman shared the CBC news article: “Victoria School District Tracking How Often Special Needs Students Are Asked to Miss Class.” In Central Okanagan Public Schools, some students are on Adjusted School Schedule Plans. The family is consulted and the part-time schedule is temporary. Every effort is made to return the student to a regular school schedule. Kevin Kaardal, Superintendent of Schools/CEO, provided an overview of the new Admin Procedure: Student's Adjusted School Schedule Plan (SASSP). This Admin Procedure is posted on the District's website under District Info → Admin Procedures.

Discussion/Information Items

1. Our Lives Through Our Eyes – Nk'Mip Children's Art

Nataley Nagy, Executive Director – Kelowna Art Gallery and Linda Digby, Executive Director, Kelowna Museums provided information about the upcoming exhibition called “Our Lives Through Our Eyes: Nk'Mip Children's Art”. This art exhibit will be co-hosted by the Okanagan Heritage Museum and the Kelowna Art Gallery from January 19th through April 14th. It is a collection of Nk'Mip art drawings created by youth who attended the Inkameep Day School in Osoyoos during the Second World War in the 1930's and 1940's, and was compiled by the Osoyoos Indian Band and Osoyoos Museum Society. Dr. Andrea Walsh, a UVIC anthropology professor is the guest curator. Over 1100 students, in Grade 3 through Grade 8, from the Central Okanagan Public Schools are registered to visit the exhibition.

2. Aboriginal Report 2013/14 – 2017/18 – How Are We Doing?

Terry-Lee Beaudry, Deputy Superintendent of Schools, shared that the annual Provincial Aboriginal Report was released just before the winter break. Highlights from the provincial report were reviewed. Information on the District *How Are We Doing?* report will be provided once the information is released.

Items Requiring Special Mention

1. Dual Credit Information Night

This annual information night for parents and students will showcase Dual Credit Programs available to students within Central Okanagan Public Schools through school-based programs, Okanagan College, the local BCIT campus, and Vancouver Film School. This one-hour session has been scheduled for:

- Monday, January 14th at 6:00 pm at Kelowna Secondary School - Multi-Purpose Room

2. West Kelowna Mayor's Youth Forum

By invitation only, students from Grades 9 to 12 will attend the West Kelowna Mayor's Youth Forum to gather and discuss issues of importance to the West Kelowna community's youth. This forum has been scheduled for:

- Tuesday, January 15th at 7:00 am at Mount Boucherie Secondary School

3. Westside French Immersion Information Nights

Westside French Immersion information meetings are scheduled for:

- Tuesday, January 15th at 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm at Mount Boucherie Secondary School
- Tuesday, January 22nd at 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm at Glenrosa Middle School

At each one-hour information night, approximately 30 minutes will be spent providing an overview of the vision for a K-12 program on the Westside and then staff will invite parents to move to smaller groups to answer questions that they may still have. Parents will receive information about the French Immersion night through School Connect.

Items for Future Education and Student Services Committee Meetings

- *The Aboriginal Education Program Annual Report was deferred as staff is focusing on the development of the District's third Enhancement Agreement.*
- *Report on Nutrition Programs Offered in the District*
- *Report on the Supports for Children in Care*
- *Enhancing Student Learning Framework moved to May 1, 2019 from June 5, 2019*

February 6, 2019	March 6, 2019	April 3, 2019
Board Authority/Authorized Course Proposal – Mount Boucherie Secondary Volleyball 10 and 11 Proposals for Substantive Change	Aboriginal Education Program Review – Level 1 (Equity Scan) (New Enhancement Agreement) Blended Learning Program Review (Level 3)	Proposals for Board Authority/Authorized Courses Career Life Programs and Dual Credit Programs Review – Level 3
May 1, 2019	June 5, 2019	REVIEW LEGEND
Draft Program Review Cycle and Meeting Schedule 2017/2018 <i>Deputy Superintendent (T. Beaudry)</i> Enhancing Student Learning Framework <i>Superintendent/CEO (K. Kaardal)</i>	No scheduled items.	<u>LEVEL ONE REVIEW</u> • District-wide surveys involving all stakeholders • Focus Groups • Interviews with key staff and clients <u>LEVEL TWO REVIEW</u> • Surveys to a representative sample group of stakeholders • Optional Focus Groups and personnel interviews as appropriate <u>LEVEL THREE REVIEW</u> • Limited or no surveying and/or interviews to gather informal feedback

Future Education and Student Services 2019 Committee Meetings

- February 6, 2019, March 6, 2019, April 3, 2019, May 1, 2019, and June 5, 2019.

Questions – Please Contact:

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Norah Bowman, Chairperson