Central Okanagan Public Schools
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BOARD OF EDUCATION

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

MINUTES

Wednesday, October 29, 2025, 6:00 pm
School Board Office
1040 Hollywood Road S
Kelowna, BC

Board of Education:	Trustee J. Fraser Trustee W. Broughton Trustee C. Desrosiers Trustee A. Geistlinger Trustee L. Guderyan Trustee V. Johnson Trustee L. Tiede
Staff:	Jon Rever, Superintendent of Schools Delta Carmichael, Secretary-Treasurer/CFO Mona Essler, Executive Assistant Lise Bradshaw, Executive Assistant (Recorder)
Partner Groups:	COPAC: Nicola Baker, President and Leslie Atwell, Vice-President CUPE: Teri Wishlow, President (by Zoom) COTA: Susan Bauhart, President *(by Zoom, joined at 6:39 pm)* *There were no representatives from COPVPA or District student Council.*

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

Acting Chair: Delta Carmichael, Secretary-Treasurer/CFO

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm.

Chair's 2025 Report to the Board

Trustee Fraser provided the Board Chair's Annual Report for the 2024/2025 school year, highlighting a year of meaningful progress, including the recruitment and appointment of Superintendent of Schools Jon Rever, and strong leadership across all levels of the District. Student achievement remains exceptional, with graduation rates surpassing provincial averages, and the Board demonstrated its commitment to Indigenous Education and equity through advocacy and collaboration. Looking ahead, the Board will focus on strategic planning and governance updates, while celebrating the shared legacy of teamwork and dedication that has shaped the District's success.

Main 25P-89

MOVED by Trustee Tiede
SECONDED by Trustee Guderyan

THAT: The Board of Education receive, with thanks, the Chair's Report for 2025.
CARRIED

APPOINTMENT OF SCRUTINEERS

Appointees:

Mona Essler, Executive Assistant
Bob McEwen, Executive Director of Human Resources

ELECTION OF CHAIR

The Secretary-Treasurer/CFO, as Acting Chair, called for nominations for the position of Board Chair.

Trustee Desrosiers nominated Trustee Johnson
Trustee Johnson accepted the nomination.

Trustee Geistlinger nominated Trustee Tiede
Trustee Tiede accepted the nomination.

The Secretary-Treasurer/CFO, as Acting Chair, called for further nominations. No further nominations were received.

Trustee Johnson spoke of her genuine commitment to the position of Chair, if elected, to lead the Board in its important work coming up in the next year.

Trustee Tiede stated that after hearing Trustee Johnson's words, she wished to withdraw her name as a nominee, and provide her support to Trustee Johnson as Chair.

With the withdrawal of the second nominee, Trustee Johnson was acclaimed as Chair of the Board.

Trustee Johnson thanked Trustee Tiede, and her fellow Trustees for putting their trust in her, and advised she will do her best to serve in this role. She also thanked outgoing Chair Trustee Fraser, for her commitment and work as Board Chair over the past year.

Trustee Johnson proceeded with the business of the meeting.

ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIR

The Chair called for nominations for the position of Vice-Chair.

Trustee Broughton nominated Trustee Desrosiers
Trustee Desrosiers accepted the nomination.

Trustee Geistlinger nominated Trustee Guderyan
Trustee Guderyan accepted the nomination.

The Chair called for further nominations. No further nominations were received.

Trustee Desrosiers and Trustee Guderyan each spoke of their wish to serve the Board as Vice-Chair.

The Chair called for a vote by ballot for the position of Vice-Chair.

6:25 pm: The Scrutineers collected the ballot box and left the meeting.
6:27 pm: The Scrutineers returned to the meeting and provided the results of the ballot count to the Chair.

The Chair declared Trustee Desrosiers to be the Vice-Chair for the coming year.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The Board Chair noted an amendment to the Agenda, with the appointment of Bob McEwen, Executive Director of Human Resources, as a Scrutineer, replacing Jon Rever, Superintendent of Schools.

Main 25P-90
MOVED by Trustee Broughton
SECONDED by Trustee Fraser

THAT: The Agenda for the October 29, 2025 Annual General Meeting be approved as amended, and in accordance with Board Policy 115 - Inaugural and Annual Board Meetings.
CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Board Annual General Meeting Minutes - October 30, 2024

Main 25P-91
MOVED by Trustee Tiede
SECONDED by Trustee Guderyan

THAT: The Minutes of the Board of Education's Annual General Meeting of October 30, 2024 be adopted as presented.
CARRIED

BANKING AUTHORIZATION

Main 25P-92
MOVED by Trustee Fraser
SECONDED by Trustee Broughton

THAT: The statutory bank authority forms be duly executed, naming the Chair or alternately the Vice-Chair, jointly with the Secretary-Treasurer/CFO or alternately the Assistant Secretary-Treasurer, as signing officers for the Board of Education, School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan).
CARRIED

AUTHORIZATION TO CONDUCT OFFICIAL BUSINESS

Main 25P-93
MOVED by Trustee Broughton
SECONDED by Trustee Guderyan

THAT: The Superintendent of Schools or the Secretary-Treasurer/CFO, in the event of a critical situation that requires expedient action, be authorized to transact financial business for and on behalf of the Board of Education.
CARRIED

CHEQUE SIGNATURE IMAGE

Main 25P-94
MOVED by Trustee Desrosiers
SECONDED by Trustee Fraser

THAT: The present signature image continue to be used until a new image is prepared.
CARRIED

AUTHORIZATION FOR TEMPORARY BORROWING (ANNUAL LINE OF CREDIT)

Main 25P-95
MOVED by Trustee Broughton
SECONDED by Trustee Fraser

THAT: In accordance with the provisions of Section 139 of the School Act, the Board of Education of School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan), effective January 1, 2026 to December 31, 2026, authorize the Secretary-Treasurer/CFO to arrange for a borrowing line and credit of an amount not to exceed $5,000,000 to meet current operating and debt services expenditures, but all money so borrowed shall be repaid not later than six months from the date of borrowing.
CARRIED

ELECTION OF BOARD STANDING COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Education and Student Services

The Chair called for nominations for the position of Chair of the Education and Student Services Committee.

Trustee Broughton nominated Trustee Guderyan
Trustee Guderyan accepted the nomination.

The Chair called for further nominations. No further nominations were received.

Trustee Guderyan was declared by acclamation to be the Chair of the Education and Student Services Committee for the coming year.

Finance and Planning

The Chair called for nominations for the position of Chair of the Finance and Planning Committee.

Trustee Guderyan nominated Trustee Tiede
Trustee Tiede accepted the nomination.

Trustee Broughton nominated Trustee Fraser
Trustee Fraser accepted the nomination.

The Chair called for further nominations. No further nominations were received.

Trustee Tiede and Trustee Fraser each spoke of their wish to serve as Chair of the Finance and Planning Committee.

The Chair called for a vote by ballot for the position of Chair of the Finance and Planning Committee.

6:37 pm: The Scrutineers collected the ballot box and left the meeting.
6:38 pm: The Scrutineers returned to the meeting and provided the results of the ballot count to the Chair.

The Chair declared Trustee Fraser to be the Chair of the Finance and Planning Committee for the coming year.

Policy

The Chair called for nominations for the position of Chair of the Policy Committee.

6:39 pm: The COTA President joined the meeting via zoom.

Trustee Desrosiers nominated Trustee Broughton
Trustee Broughton accepted the nomination.

Trustee Tiede nominated Trustee Guderyan
Trustee Guderyan accepted the nomination.

The Chair called for further nominations. No further nominations were received.

Trustee Broughton and Trustee Guderyan each spoke of their wish to serve as Chair of the Policy Committee.

The Chair called for a vote by ballot for the position of Chair of the Policy Committee.

6:44 pm: The Scrutineers collected the ballot box and left the meeting.
6:45 pm: The Scrutineers returned to the meeting and provided the results of the ballot count to the Chair.

The Chair declared Trustee Broughton to be the Chair of the Policy Committee for the coming year.

Executive Staff Management

The Chair called for nominations for the position of Chair of the Executive Staff Management Committee.

Trustee Desrosiers nominated Trustee Tiede
Trustee Tiede accepted the nomination.

The Chair called for further nominations. No further nominations were received.

Trustee Tiede was declared by acclamation to be the Chair of the Executive Staff Management Committee for the coming year.

APPOINTMENT OF TRUSTEE REPRESENTATIVES TO INDIGENOUS EDUCATION COUNCIL

The Chair called for two Trustees, along with one alternate, to put their names forward to serve on the Indigenous Education Council. Trustees Fraser, Guderyan and Desrosiers each expressed their interest in serving as representatives. It was decided that Trustee Fraser and Trustee Guderyan would serve as representatives, and Trustee Desrosiers agreed to take the role of alternate.

ELECTION OF BOARD REPRESENTATIVES TO PROVINCIAL REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLIES

BC School Trustees Association (BCSTA) Provincial Council

The Chair called for a Trustee to put their name forward to serve as a representative on the BCSTA Provincial Council. Trustee Broughton expressed interest, with Trustee Tiede offering to serve as alternate.

BC Public School Employers' Association (BCPSEA) Representative Council

The Chair called for a Trustee to put their name forward to serve as a representative on the BCPSEA Representative Council. Trustee Fraser expressed interest, with Trustee Desrosiers offering to serve as alternate.

TRUSTEES COMMENTS

Trustees each expressed congratulations to the new Chair and Vice-Chair, and spoke of their excitement and commitment to the work that will be happening in the coming year, and thanked their fellow Trustees and staff.

DESTROYING OF THE BALLOTS (IF ANY)

Main 25P-96
MOVED by Trustee Fraser
SECONDED by Trustee Broughton

THAT: The ballots of the October 29, 2025 Annual General Meeting be destroyed.
CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 6:53 pm.

Chairperson	Secretary-Treasurer/CFO