



"Together We Learn"

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

BOARD OF EDUCATION BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

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

Date: Wednesday, November 25, 2015

Recognition:

1. The Board of Education recognized **Jonah Cooke**, a grade 4 student at South Kelowna Elementary School, for receiving first place in the TELUS WISE Footprint Comic Contest.
2. The Board of Education recognized the **Instructional Leadership Team (ILT)** for placing first in the Canadian Education Association and Reader's Digest 2015 Canadian Innovators in Education Awards.

Action Items:

1. **Amendments to Policy 701 – Preschool Partnerships and Other Early Childhood Opportunities**
The Board of Education approved the amendments to Policy 701 – Preschool Partnerships and Other Early Childhood Opportunities.
2. **2015/2016 Capital Project Bylaw No. 126934 – Approved Routine Capital – Roof Replacement for A.S. Matheson Elementary School**
The Board of Education gave first, second and third readings, passed and adopted, School District No. 23 Capital Project Bylaw No. 126934 – Approved Routine Capital – Roof Replacement for A.S. Matheson Elementary School.
3. **2015/2016 Capital Project Bylaw No. 126935 – Approved Routine Capital – Replace Sawdust Collection System at Springvalley Middle School**
The Board of Education gave first, second and third readings, passed and adopted, School District No. 23 Capital Project Bylaw No. 126935 – Approved Routine Capital – Replacement Sawdust Collection System at Springvalley Middle School.
4. **2015/2016 Capital Project Bylaw No. 126936 – Approved Routine Capital – Lighting Upgrade at Glenmore Elementary School**
The Board of Education gave first, second and third readings, passed and adopted, School District No. 23 Capital Project Bylaw No. 126936 – Approved Routine Capital – Lighting Upgrade at Glenmore Elementary School.
5. **Planning and Facilities Committee – Proposed Meeting Date**
The Board of Education set the next Planning and Facilities Committee Meeting for Wednesday, January 6, 2016 at 6:30 pm to discuss the Lake Country Catchment Area Review.

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6. Staff Recommendation – Lake Country Catchment Area Review

The Board of Education directed senior staff to provide a staff recommendation regarding the Lake Country Catchment Area Review at the January 6, 2016 Planning and Facilities Committee Meeting.

A letter will be sent home to all Lake Country parents informing them that:

A Public Planning and Facilities Committee Meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 6, 2016 to consider all input on the Lake Country School Catchments, receive the staff recommendation and forward a recommendation to the January 13, 2016 Public Board Meeting.

7. Registration Dates for 2016/2017 School Year

The Board of Education approved the initial registration dates for the 2016/2017 school year be set as February 1, 2016 through to March 4, 2016. The closing date of registrations, in order to apply the Board's registration priorities as established in Regulations 405R – *Student Placement (Regulations)* be set as August 25, 2016.

8. Special Program for Youth and Family Support Positions in the Aboriginal Education Department

The Board of Education supported the application for a Special Program with the British Columbia Human Rights Tribunal for positions associated with the Youth and Family Support initiative in the Aboriginal Education Program.

9. Ministry of Education New Curriculum and Provincially-Mandated Competencies Provincial Framework Update – Scheduling Additional Non-Instructional Time

With the announcement from the Ministry of Education of 10 additional hours of non-instructional time to help prepare teachers for the implementation of the revised curriculum, changes have to be made to school and district calendars throughout the Province. The Board of Education approved **February 9, 2016** and **May 24th, 2016** as the additional non-instructional days to help teachers prepare for the introduction of the revised curriculum.

Information Items:

The Superintendent informed the Board that District staff will be monitoring international field trips in the coming months to make every effort to ensure students are not placed in an unsafe situation.

The following items were reviewed by the Board:

1. Board Policy and Regulations 631 – *School Closures/Consolidations*
The Superintendent did not recommend any school closures or consolidations.
2. Information regarding the City of Kelowna's Water Management System Priorities
3. Policy 735 – *Advertising and Sponsorship in Schools*
This Policy will be reviewed.
4. Ministry of Education New Curriculum and Provincially Mandated Competencies Provincial Framework Update
5. CUPE Local 3523 Executive – November 2015 to November 2016
6. Field Trips 2015/2016
7. General Statement

Next Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting:

Annual General Meeting and Regular Public Board Meeting
Wednesday, December 9, 2015 at 6:00 pm
School Board Office

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Next Board Standing Committee Meeting Dates:

The 2016 Standing Committee Dates are to be confirmed.

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