



## **CENTRAL OKANAGAN PUBLIC SCHOOLS - BOARD COMMITTEE REPORT**

### **Education and Student Services Committee Public Meeting**

**Wednesday, November 29, 2023, 6:00 pm**

**School Board Office  
1040 Hollywood Road S.  
Kelowna, BC**

Board of Education: Trustee L. Guderyan, Chair  
Trustee A. Geistlinger, Committee Member  
Trustee V. Johnson, Committee Member  
Trustee C. Desrosiers  
Trustee L. Tiede (*arrived at 6:44 pm*)

Staff: Kevin Kaardal, Superintendent of Schools/CEO (*absent*)  
Terry-Lee Beaudry, Deputy Superintendent of Schools  
Yvonne Hildebrandt, Executive Assistant (Recorder)

Partner Groups: Lori Dawson Bedard, COTA 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President  
Nicola Baker, COPAC President  
Jared Birkeland, COPVPA Vice-President  
Jessica Teasdale, CUPE Executive Member  
Anna Kristen, DSC, Grade 11, OKM Secondary School

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

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### **AGENDA**

November 29, 2023 Committee Agenda – approved as presented.

### **REPORTS/MATTERS ARISING**

#### **Education and Student Services Committee Report – September 20, 2023**

September 20, 2023 Committee Report - received as distributed.

## **DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

### **École Dr. Knox Middle School – Golf Academy Fee Increase**

Luke Campbell, Principal - École Dr. Knox Middle School, and Dave Roberts, Teacher - École Dr. Knox Middle School, presented the proposed fee increase for the Golf Academy at École Dr. Knox Middle School. Prior to the proposed 2024/2025 changes, the student fee for the Golf Academy at École Dr. Knox Middle School was approved at a rate of \$400 per student in 2013. The proposed fee increase to \$500 per student takes into consideration the increased bus transportation rates due to inflation, the added fuel expenses to separately transport the golf clubs to the golf course, and the increase in coaching session fees. The proposed fee increase, supported by the École Dr. Knox Middle School Parent Advisory Council, will ensure the Golf Academy is financially sustainable.

#### **Outcome:**

**The Committee recommended that the Board of Education approve the proposed fee increase of \$100 (from \$400 to \$500) for the Golf Academy (École Dr. Knox Middle School), as attached to the Agenda, and as presented at the November 29, 2023 Education and Student Services Committee Meeting.**

### **Proposal for Substantive Change – Outdoor Education Academy (École Glenrosa Middle School)**

Bobbi Hunter, Principal - École Glenrosa Middle School, Stephanie Read, Vice-Principal - École Glenrosa Middle School, and Liam Wallis, Teacher - École Glenrosa Middle School, presented a proposal for an Outdoor Education Academy at École Glenrosa Middle School (GMS). Students in the Outdoor Education Academy will have the opportunity to access outdoor activities and places they otherwise may not be able to experience. This would be accomplished through day field studies, overnight hiking trips, and guest speakers with expertise in fishing, outdoor safety and first aid skills, and back country hiking. Students will benefit physically, mentally, and socially as they engage in several different forms of physical activity with other students, and they will broaden their knowledge of how to use natural spaces responsibly as well as interact with wildlife respectfully. The long-term goal of the Outdoor Education Academy is for students to foster a love for the outdoors, which will hopefully turn into a life-long passion for outdoor activities, stewardship, and enjoyment. An Outdoor Education Academy at GMS would enable parents to know total associated costs up front for the semester's activities and would align GMS with the other West Kelowna school communities, which all have Outdoor Education Academies.

#### **Outcome:**

**The Committee recommended that the Board of Education approve the Proposal for Substantive Change – Outdoor Education Academy (École Glenrosa Middle School), as attached to the Agenda, and as presented at the November 29, 2023 Education and Student Services Committee Meeting.**

6:43 pm – Meeting Recessed

Trustee Tiede joined the meeting at 6:44 pm

6:45 pm – Meeting Reconvened

## **RECOGNITION/PRESENTATION/DELEGATIONS**

### **Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) Research Project, "Co-Curricular-Making: Honouring Indigenous Connections in Land, Culture, and the Relational Self"**

Margaret McIntyre Latta, Professor and Director – UBC Okanagan School of Education, Dr. Bill Cohen, Assistant Professor – UBC Okanagan School of Education, Terry-Lee Beaudry, Deputy Superintendent of Schools, and Jordan Kleckner, Director of Instruction – Learning and Innovation, told the story to date of the partnerships and the progress made on the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) Research Project, "Co-Curricular-Making: Honouring Indigenous Connections to the Land, Culture and Relational Self". This work is changing the educational experiences for staff and students and serves as one of the powerful examples of our District's journey towards Truth and Reconciliation.

## **DISCUSSION/INFORMATION ITEMS**

### **Preliminary Report of Successful Course Challenges 2022/2023**

Terry-Lee Beaudry, Deputy Superintendent of Schools, spoke of the general process of how a student can challenge a course to receive credit and reported on the number of successful course challenges that occurred during the 2022/2023 school year.

### **Central Okanagan Public Schools Approved Board/Authority Authorized (BAA) Course List – November 2023**

Terry-Lee Beaudry, Deputy Superintendent of Schools, reviewed the current list of approved Board/Authority Authorized Courses in the Central Okanagan Public Schools.

### **Ministry of Education and Child Care Mandated Holocaust Education**

Terry-Lee Beaudry, Deputy Superintendent of Schools, shared the recent announcement from the Ministry of Education and Child Care making Holocaust education mandatory within the curriculum for grade 10 students.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS/REFERRALS TO THE BOARD/COORDINATING COMMITTEE/OTHER COMMITTEES**

### ***Public Board Meeting Action Items***

- *École Dr. Knox Middle School – Golf Academy Fee Increase*
- *Proposal for Substantive Change – Outdoor Education Academy (École Glenrosa Middle School)*

### ***Public Board Meeting Information Item***

- *Central Okanagan Public Schools Approved Board/Authority Authorized (BAA) Course List – November 2023*

## **ITEMS FOR FUTURE EDUCATION AND STUDENT SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

January 17, 2024

- Proposals for Board/Authority Authorized Courses
- Proposals for Substantive Change
- Cultural Performances Program (Level 2 Review)  
*Assistant Superintendent (R. Steen)*
- Settlement Services Report  
*Assistant Superintendent (R. Steen)*

February 21, 2024

- Early Learning Initiatives Report  
*Assistant Superintendent (J. Robinson)*

April 17, 2024

- Proposals for Board/Authority Authorized Courses
- Career Life Programs & Dual Credit Programs Report  
*Assistant Superintendent (A. Lalonde)*

May 15, 2024

- Draft Program Review Cycle & Meeting Schedule 2024-2025
- Reading Intervention Outreach (RIO) Program Report  
*District Principal of Inclusive Education (M. Kaupp)*

June 19, 2024

### **REVIEW LEGEND**

#### **Level One Review**

- District-wide surveys involving all stakeholders
- Focus Groups
- Interviews with key staff and clients

#### **Level Two Review**

- Surveys to a representative sample group of stakeholders
- Optional Focus Groups and personnel interviews as appropriate

#### **Level Three Review**

Limited or no surveying and/or interviews to gather informal feedback

## **FUTURE EDUCATION AND STUDENT SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

All meetings start at 6:00 pm.

January 17, 2024; February 21, 2024; April 17, 2024; May 15, 2024; and June 19, 2024.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

### **Questions - Please Contact:**

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Terry-Lee Beaudry, Deputy Superintendent of Schools at 250-470-3225 or [Terry.Beaudry@sd23.bc.ca](mailto:Terry.Beaudry@sd23.bc.ca)

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Lisa Guderyan, Chair