



"Together We Learn"

School District No. 23
(Central Okanagan)

BOARD OF EDUCATION PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

(Second and Fourth Wednesday of every month, except March, July, August and the fourth Wednesday in December,
at the School Board Office.)

DATE: Wednesday April 24, 2013
TIME: 6:00 PM
LOCATION: School Board Office
1940 Underhill St.
Kelowna, B.C. V1X 5X7

Attending:

Board of Education:

Trustee M. Baxter
Trustee D. Butler
Trustee J. Brinkerhoff
Trustee R. Cacchioni
Trustee C. Gorman
Trustee J. Fraser
Trustee M. Pendharkar

Staff:

H. Gloster, Superintendent
L. Paul, Secretary-Treasurer
T. Beaudry, Assistant Superintendent
B. Bertram, Executive Assistant (Recorder)

Partner Group Representatives Attending:

COPAC Diane Oorebeek, Member at Large
COPVPA Barrie McLeod, Vice-President
COTA Alice Rees, President, Susan Bauhart, First Vice-President and
April Smith, Second Vice-President
CUPE David Tether, Vice-President
DSC No representative.

ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

AGENDA

Main

13P-040 MOVED by Trustee Butler, SECONDED by Trustee Pendharkar,
THAT: The Agenda for April 24, 2013 be adopted as presented.
CARRIED

MINUTES

Public Board Meeting – April 10, 2013

Amend: Page 1, MINUTES, Public Board Meeting – ~~February~~ March 27, 2013.

Main

13P-041 MOVED by Trustee Gorman, SECONDED by Trustee Fraser,
THAT: The Minutes of the Public Board Meeting of April 10, 2013 be adopted as amended.
CARRIED

RECOGNITION/ PRESENTATION/DELEGATIONS

Recognition: Brianne Moore, Grade 12 – Mount Boucherie Secondary School – BC Community Achievement Award

The Board congratulated Brianne Moore, recipient of the BC Community Achievement Award, for her contributions, inspiration and leadership in making a difference in the community.

Recognition: Okanagan Mission Secondary School Social Media Class - \$15,000 Grant

The Board congratulated Carolyn Durley, Teacher, and the OKM Secondary School Social Media Class, for receiving a \$15,000 cheque from the BC Government as a grant to support their “Social Media for Change” Program.

Declaration: “National Volunteer Week – April 21 – 27, 2013”

The Chairperson made the following declaration:

The Central Okanagan Board of Education declares April 21 – 27, 2013 as National Volunteer Week and recognizes all volunteers in the Central Okanagan School District.

Declaration: “BCSTA Declares Public Education Day in BC – April 25, 2013”

The Chairperson made the following declaration:

The Central Okanagan Board of Education recognizes April 25, 2013 as Public Education Day in BC as declared by the BC School Trustees Association.

Declaration: “National Day of Mourning – April 28, 2013”

The Chairperson made the following declaration:

The Central Okanagan Board of Education declares April 28, 2013 as a Day of Mourning in the Central Okanagan School District and observes a moment of silence to honour those workers who have been hurt or who have lost their lives in the course of doing their work.

Declaration: “Asian Heritage Month – May 2013”

The Chairperson made the following declaration:

The Central Okanagan Board of Education declares the month of May 2013 as “Asian Heritage Month” in the Central Okanagan School District.

PUBLIC QUESTION/COMMENT PERIOD

The purpose of this public question/comment period is to provide an opportunity to members of the gallery to ask a question or comment on any items on the agenda. The total time for this period shall normally be 15 minutes. A person wishing to speak is requested by the Chairperson of the Board to state his/her name and provide, if possible, a written copy of the comments.

Dan Hurd, Teacher – Mount Boucherie Secondary School, reiterated his request that, for student safety, the Board approve a reduction in class size in shops in middle/secondary schools.

Leo Keller, Teacher – Dr. Knox Middle School – provided examples to reinforce the request for a reduction in class size in school shops.

TRUSTEES QUERIES/COMMENTS

ACTION ITEMS

Capital Project Bylaw No. 126621 – 2013/2014 Annual Facilities Grant

Trustee Butler, Chair of the Planning and Facilities Committee, provided a brief background on the Bylaw.

Main

13P-042

MOVED by Trustee Butler, SECONDED by Trustee Pendharkar,
THAT: At the April 24, 2013 Public Board Meeting, the Board of Education gives first, second and third readings to School District No. 23 Capital Project Bylaw No. 126621 - Annual Facilities Grant.
CARRIED

Main

13P-043

MOVED by Trustee Butler, SECONDED by Trustee Brinkerhoff,
THAT: School District No. 23 Capital Project Bylaw No. 126621 - Annual Facilities Grant, in the amount of \$2,339,784, be read a first, second and third time, passed and adopted the 24th day of April, 2013.
CARRIED

Westside Area Work Plan

Trustee Butler, Chair of the Planning and Facilities Committee, provided a brief background on the Westside Area Work Plan which will deal with pressures on the Westside, e.g. catchment areas, French Immersion and grade configuration.

Main

13P-044

MOVED by Trustee Butler, SECONDED by Trustee Fraser,
THAT: The Board of Education approve the Westside Area Work Plan as attached and as presented at the April 24, 2013 Public Board Meeting.
CARRIED

Glenmore Elementary School Music Academy – Motion to Rescind

Glenmore Elementary School staff and parents have made the decision to offer a music program to their students through an extra-curricular format rather than through a formal Academy. The Board is being requested to rescind the motion for approval of the Music Academy.

Main

13P-045

MOVED by Trustee Brinkerhoff, SECONDED by Trustee Cacchioni,
THAT: The Board of Education rescind Public Board Meeting Motion 13P-023 (February 27, 2013): “THAT: The Board of Education approve the Proposal for Substantive Change (Music Academy) – Glenmore Elementary School, as attached and as presented at the February 27, 2013 Public Board Meeting, to be implemented at Glenmore Elementary School beginning in September 2013”.
CARRIED.

Trustee Indemnity for the 2013/2014 Fiscal Year

Trustee Gorman, Chair of the Finance and Legal Committee, provided a brief review of the annual Trustee Indemnity.

Main

13P-046

MOVED by Trustee Gorman, SECONDED by Trustee Fraser,
THAT: The Board of Education set the Trustee Indemnity using the weighted average increase of all employee groups for the period effective July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014.
CARRIED

Central Okanagan School District 2013/2014 Preliminary Budget Proposal – Superintendent’s Budget Recommendations

Trustee Gorman, Chair of the Finance and Legal Committee, provided a brief review of the budget recommendations as discussed at the Finance and Legal Committee meeting. The Board discussed the process for reviewing the budget recommendations.

Main
13P-047

MOVED by Trustee Gorman, SECONDED by Trustee Pendharkar,
THAT: The Board of Education approve the following decisions pertaining to the 2013-2014 Preliminary School District Budget:

1. \$45,000 be removed from Instructional Leadership and Mentorship Programs.
2. \$250,000 be set aside to establish a contingency for Certified Education hours for 2013-2014.
3. \$400,000 be reduced from projected supplies allocations.
4. \$150,000 be removed from the Instructional Leadership Team Resource Budget.
5. \$200,000 be removed from the District Funded Collaborative time.
6. \$450,000 be removed for ANF Funding and \$74,250 be redistributed amongst schools.
7. \$400,000 be removed for funding the Utilities Reserve.

Trustees discussed the individual budget recommendations, the deficit for the 2013/2014 school year, and distribution of the Learning Improvement Fund which has been guaranteed for the coming year.

Amendment
13P-048

MOVED by Trustee Fraser, SECONDED by Trustee Brinkerhoff,
THAT: To ensure the safety of technology education students in School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan), the Board of Education approve an increase of \$300,000 to reduce class size for safety measures. This is paramount to our students and is in line with requirements from WorkSafeBC, BCTEA, and post-secondary institutions such as BCIT and Okanagan College.

Sub Amendment
13P-049

MOVED by Trustee Brinkerhoff, SECONDED by Trustee Fraser,
THAT: To ensure the safety of technology education students in School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan), the Board of Education approve an increase of ~~\$300,000~~ in funds to reduce class size for safety measures. This is paramount to our students and is in line with requirements from WorkSafeBC, BCTEA, and post-secondary institutions such as BCIT and Okanagan College.

Trustees discussed the sub amendment.

The question was called on Motion 13P-049, the sub amendment to Amendment 13P-048.

CARRIED

OPPOSED: Trustee Gorman

ABSTAINED: Trustee Cacchioni

The Board discussed the amended motion and the ability of the District to limit class sizes.

Trustee Pendharkar challenged the Board Chair’s decision to allow Amendment 13P-048 to come forward and declared the amendment out of order.

The Chairperson called for a vote to sustain the Chair on the ruling that Amendment 13P-048 was in order.

IN FAVOUR: Trustee Butler, Trustee Brinkerhoff, Trustee Fraser

OPPOSED: Trustee Cacchioni, Trustee Gorman, Trustee Pendharkar

THE CHAIR WAS UPHELD.

Sub Amendment

13P-050

MOVED by Trustee Fraser,

THAT: To ensure the safety of technology education students in School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan), the Board of Education approve an increase in funds to ~~reduce class size~~ for safety measures. This is paramount to our students and is in line with requirements from WorkSafeBC, BCTEA, and post-secondary institutions such as BCIT and Okanagan College.

NO SECONDER

NO DEBATE

The question was called on Amendment 13P-048 as amended by Sub Amendment 13P-049.

DEFEATED

OPPOSED: Trustee Butler, Trustee Gorman, Trustee Cacchioni, Trustee Baxter, Trustee Pendharkar

The question was called on Main Motion 13P-047.

CARRIED

OPPOSED: Trustee Baxter

PUBLIC QUESTION/COMMENT PERIOD

This public question/comment period is to provide an opportunity to members of the gallery to ask a question or comment on any matter pertaining to public education.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Superintendent's Emergent Issues

None.

Welcome Centre Annual Report

The Board reviewed the information provided.

International Education Program Annual Report

The Board reviewed the information provided.

Month End Enrolment – March 2013

The Board reviewed the information provided.

Field Trips 2012/2013

The Board reviewed the information provided.

General Statement

BOARD/DISTRICT COMMITTEE REPORTS

BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

Sent: W. Zeman, April 3, 2013, sending the Board's congratulations on Mr. Zeman's retirement.

Received: Correspondence Directed to the Board

Heart and Stroke Foundation, March 25, 2013, providing information regarding funds raised by District schools in the previous year.

A. Bell, April 4, 2013, regarding the Aboriginal Education Council's request that the District cost share the Aboriginal Resource Teacher position.

Glenmore Elementary School, April 12, 2013, regarding the recently approved Glenmore Elementary School Music Academy.

Summary of Copies of Letters received by the Board

SD No. 42 (Maple Ridge & Pitt Meadows), April 2, 2013, to all BC Boards of Education, regarding the 2013/2014 public education budget.

SD No. 5 (Southeast Kootenay), April 2, 2013, to the Minister of Education and all BC Boards of Education, regarding funding independent schools for non-graduated adults.

SD No. 73 (Kamloops/Thompson), April 3, 2013, to the Minister of Education, and all BC Boards of Education, regarding communication between Boards of Education and the Ministry of Education.

SD No. 68 (Nanaimo Ladysmith), April 11, 2013, to the Nanaimo Daily News and all BC Boards of Education, regarding a recent letter to the Editor concerning Canadian Aboriginal people.

SD No. 67 (Okanagan Skaha), April 12, 2013, to the Minister of Education and all BC Boards of Education, regarding the 2012/2013 Funding Recalculation.

Main
13P-051

MOVED by Trustee Gorman, SECONDED by Trustee Fraser,
THAT: At the April 24, 2013 Public Board Meeting, the Board receive the correspondence listed above.
CARRIED

ITEMS REQUIRING SPECIAL MENTION

BC PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYERS' ASSOCIATION

BC SCHOOL TRUSTEES ASSOCIATION

BCSTA AGM

Date: April 25 – 28, 2013

Location: Kelowna

AGM 2013 [https://dsweb.bcsta.org/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-](https://dsweb.bcsta.org/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-72770/2013_03_26%20AGM%20Motions.pdf)

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FUTURE MEETINGS

REGULARLY SCHEDULED BOARD MEETINGS

Regular Public Board Meeting
Wednesday, May 8, 2013, at 6:00 pm, School Board Office

Regular Public Board Meeting
Wednesday, May 22, 2013, at 6:00 pm, School Board Office

BOARD STANDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Human Resources and Staff Services (CANCELLED)
Wednesday, May 1, 2013 at 3:00 pm at the School Board Office

General Affairs
Wednesday, May 1, 2013 at 4:30 pm at the School Board Office

Education and Student Services
Wednesday, May 1, 2013 at 6:30 pm at the School Board Office

BOARD MEETINGS WITH PARTNER AND COMMUNITY GROUPS

Board of Education Meeting with District of West Kelowna Mayor and Council
DATE: Tuesday, May 28, 2013

Board of Education Meeting with District of Peachland Mayor and Council
DATE: Tuesday, June 25, 2013

NOTICES OF MOTION

Review of the Technology Education Program

(Trustee Butler)

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT: Staff complete a review of the Technology Education Program in the District, including examining data pertaining to existing class sizes, incident/accident statistics, and the potential implications of introducing class size restrictions on school timetables and operations.

ITEMS FOR A FUTURE AGENDA

ADJOURNMENT: The Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 7:21 pm.

Chairperson

Secretary-Treasurer