



"Together We Learn"

School District No. 23
(Central Okanagan)

BOARD OF EDUCATION PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

(Second and fourth Wednesday of every month, except July and August and the fourth Wednesday in March and December, at the School Board Office, at 6:00 PM.)

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

DATE: Wednesday, December 9, 2015
TIME: Immediately following the AGM
LOCATION: School Board Office
1940 Underhill St.
Kelowna, B.C. V1X 5X7

Attending:

Board of Education:

Trustee M. Baxter (Chairperson)
Trustee D. Butler
Trustee R. Cacchioni
Trustee J. Fraser
Trustee C. Gorman
Trustee L. Mossman
Trustee L. Tiede

Staff:

H. Gloster, Superintendent
K. Kaardal, Superintendent of Schools/CEO Designate
L. Paul, Secretary-Treasurer
T. Beaudry, Assistant Superintendent
B. Bertram, Executive Assistant (Recorder)

Partner Group Representatives Attending:

COPAC	Mimi Miller, Secretary
COPVPA	Linda Ross, Members' Liaison - Elementary
COTA	April Smith, First Vice-President
CUPE	No representative
DSC	Jenita White, Gr. 11, KSS, and Jessica Grist, Gr. 11, RSS

ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

AGENDA

Additions/Amendments/Deletions

Add:	Information Item	8.2	Video Surveillance: Annual Report to the Board <i>(New information for scheduled item)</i>
Add	Board Correspondence Received	10.	BCSTA, December 4, 2015, to the Minister of Education and the Minister of Finance requesting that the recommendations of the Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services regarding K-12 education be enacted as soon as possible <i>(New item)</i>

Main

15P-190

MOVED by Trustee Butler, SECONDED by Trustee Fraser,
THAT: The Agenda for the December 9, 2015 Public Board Meeting be adopted as amended.
CARRIED

MINUTES

Public Board Meeting – November 25, 2015

Main

15P-191

MOVED by Trustee Gorman, SECONDED by Trustee Mossman,
THAT: The Minutes of the Public Board Meeting of November 10, 2015 be adopted as distributed.
CARRIED

RECOGNITION/ PRESENTATION/DELEGATIONS

The Board of Education thanked retiring Superintendent Hugh Gloster for his many years of dedicated service to the 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.

TRUSTEES QUERIES/COMMENTS

Trustee Fraser

Requested information regarding the recent news article in the Kelowna Daily Courier stating that the school district would be working in partnership with the City of Kelowna to develop the Parkinson Rec Centre site once approval had been received from the Ministry to build a new Glenmore Secondary School.

The Secretary-Treasurer responded that the Glenmore Secondary School Project Identification Report (PIR), approved by the Board at the September 23, 2015 Public Board Meeting, included information that staff have had initial discussions with the City of Kelowna regarding the Burtch Road site, should that be the final site chosen to build the new secondary school. The City of Kelowna Apple Bowl sits partially on school district property and the City is reviewing the possibility of rebuilding the Parkinson Rec Centre at that site as well. Numerous discussions will need to occur, as well as Ministry funding approval for the new school, prior to any agreement being reached. All agreements would ultimately require Board approval.

ACTION ITEMS

School Speed Zone Times – Possible Variance

Trustee Fraser, Chair of the Planning and Facilities Committee, provided information on the Motion as discussed at the Committee level.

Main

15P-192

MOVED by Trustee Fraser, SECONDED by Trustee Mossman,
THAT: The Board of Education instruct the Secretary-Treasurer to request that municipalities and/or the Ministry of Transportation (depending on the street location of the school) alter the school speed zone times to reflect a 7:30 am start time (continuing with the current 5:00 pm end time) for all schools.
CARRIED

School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan) Budget Development Principles

Main
15P-193

MOVED by Trustee Mossman, SECONDED by Trustee Fraser,
THAT: The Board of Education affirm the School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan) Budget Development Principles, as attached to the agenda and as presented at the December 9, 2015 Public Board Meeting.
CARRIED

School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan) 2016/2017 Budget Development Timeline

Main
15P-194

MOVED by Trustee Mossman, SECONDED by Trustee Fraser,
THAT: The Board of Education approve the School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan) 2016/2017 Budget Development Timeline, as attached to the agenda and as presented at the December 9, 2015 Public Board Meeting.
CARRIED

Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services Recommendations

Trustee Mossman, Chair of the Finance and Legal Committee, provided information on the Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services which recently held a series of forums throughout the province to gather information and feedback from community members and partner groups. Trustees reviewed the December 4, 2015 joint letter from provincial partners to the Minister of Education and the Minister of Finance requesting that the recommendations of the Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services regarding K-12 education be enacted as soon as possible.

Main
15P-195

MOVED by Trustee Mossman, SECONDED by Trustee Cacchioni,
THAT: The Board of Education write a letter to the Minister of Finance, with a copy to the Minister of Education, endorsing the Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services' report and recommendations for K-12 funding, and also endorsing the comments made in the December 4, 2015 joint letter from the provincial partners (BCSTA, BCSSA, BCPVPA, BCTF and BCASBO).
CARRIED

Capital Project Bylaw No. 127044 – Approved Bus Project

Main
15P-196

MOVED by Trustee Fraser, SECONDED by Trustee Mossman,
THAT: The Board of Education give first, second and third readings to School District No. 23 Capital Project Bylaw No. 127044 – Approved Bus Project.
CARRIED

Main
15P-197

MOVED by Trustee Tiede, SECONDED by Trustee Butler,
THAT: School District No. 23 Capital Project Bylaw No. 127044 – Approved Bus Project, in the amount of \$478,145.00 for Approved Bus Project, be read a first, second and third time, passed and adopted the 9th day of December, 2015.

The Secretary-Treasurer provided background information on the Capital Project Bylaw. The three new buses must be ordered and the funds expended by March 31, 2016, which is the end of the Ministry's fiscal year.

Main 15P-197
CARRIED

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.

The COPAC Representative queried where the funding for the FreshGrade software licence would be allocated from within the District's overall budget.

The Secretary-Treasurer responded that the District has an account for software and licence purchases, and if the cost was significant, the amount could be taken from local capital funds or the supplies and services account.

David Grabavac, Lake Country Parent, queried the process for distribution of community feedback received by the Board regarding the Lake Country Catchment Area Review.

The Board Chair responded that Trustees have discussed various methods for distribution of community feedback should the Board decide to distribute the additional responses received.

The Superintendent advised that all raw data will continue to be provided to the Board. It is staff's intent to provide a summary of the feedback received which could be collated several ways, e.g. by geographic location or preferred choice of Focus Group options. This information would then be provided as an attachment to the January 6, 2016 Planning and Facilities Committee Agenda. Letters have previously been sent to Lake Country families informing them of the catchment area review, the Focus Group recommended options, and the discussion of staff's recommendation(s) at the January 6th Committee Meeting. Feedback will continue to be received until a decision has been made by the Board.

David Grabavac, Lake Country Parent, requested that all proposed recommendations be made available for the community to review prior to the January 6, 2016 Planning and Facilities Committee meeting.

The Superintendent responded that staff's recommendation(s) will be posted to the website by the Winter Break (December 2015).

INFORMATION ITEMS

Superintendent's Emergent Issues

Ministry of Education Enrolment Validation Audit

- Senior staff were advised the afternoon of December 9th that the Ministry of Education would be conducting an enrolment validation audit of three schools in the Central Okanagan School District on Thursday, December 10th.
- The purpose of the audit is to conduct an enrolment check of all students with new Personal Education Numbers (PEN), as the District is seen as being fairly unique in its increased enrolment numbers compared to most school districts which have declining enrolment.
- The three auditors will be reviewing the student files for these new students to determine where they are arriving from.
- The three schools being audited are Rutland Senior Secondary School, Anne McClymont Elementary School and Constable Neil Bruce Middle School.
- The Ministry of Finance has requested that the audit be conducted prior to the distribution of recalculated enrolment funding which is normally sent out before the Winter Break.

French Immersion Task Force Steering Committee

- The next meeting of the Steering Committee is scheduled for Friday, December 11th at 9:00 am.
- The purpose of the meeting is to plan for the larger French Immersion Task Force Meeting scheduled to take place in January.

Joint Educational Change Committee (JECC)

- The next meeting of the Joint Educational Change Committee is scheduled for 12:00 noon on Friday, December 11th.
- Discussions will continue regarding the plans for supporting teachers with the re-designed curriculum.

Media Introduction to Kevin Kaardal, Superintendent/CEO Designate

- Local media have been invited to the School Board Office on Wednesday, December 16th at 1:30 pm, where the Board Chair will provide an introduction of Mr. Kaardal.

Replacement of the Ministry's Accountability Framework

- The Superintendent/CEO Designate advised that staff are in the activation stage of meeting the Ministry's requirement for school districts to plan a Framework for Enhancing Student Learning that will replace the previous accountability framework.
- The activation stage will include discussions with the Joint Educational Change Committee, and with parents at COPAC meetings to review current best practices of the District for development of the new framework for accountability.

Video Surveillance: Annual Report to the Board

The Superintendent reviewed the information contained in the Annual Report. 26 of 46 District sites are using video surveillance equipment. Video surveillance systems are used primarily as a means of identifying unwelcome visitors on school property, and to assist in ensuring that students and staff are safe and secure at school and District sites. Revisions to Board Policy 645 – *Video Surveillance Closed Circuit Television (CCTV)* will be required to ensure alignment with changes resulting from the introduction of Bill 11, and the District Human Rights Committee will be asked to provide input on revisions to the Policy as well.

Revenue and Expense Summary at October 31, 2015

The Central Okanagan School District has had a significant increase in student enrolment numbers this year which will be reflected in the Ministry's September recount and corresponding recalculated funding expected to be received in December.

September 2015 Enrolment Numbers

Staff will continue to monitor enrolment numbers, as increasing enrolment could have implications for budget planning in the future.

Field Trips 2015/2016

Staff, students and parents involved in planned international trips continue to meet and be provided with the latest federal government's travel advisory information.

BOARD/DISTRICT COMMITTEE REPORTS

BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

Sent: District Student Council, November 27, 2015, extending an invitation for District Student Council members to meet with the Board of Education.

Wendy Johnson, President – CUPE Local 3523, November 27, 2015, extending an invitation for the CUPE Executive to meet with the Board of Education.

Shelley Courtney, COPAC President, November 27, 2015, extending an invitation for the COPAC Executive to meet with the Board of Education.

Raquel Steen, COPVPA President, November 27, 2015, extending an invitation for the COPVPA Executive to meet with the Board of Education.

Susan Bauhart, COTA President, November 27, 2015, extending an invitation for the COTA Executive to meet with the Board of Education.

Received: Correspondence Directed to the Board

West Kelowna Mayor, November 13, 2015, thanking the Board for their letter in support of the traffic calming measures instituted on Webber Road in Glenrosa.

Ministry of Education, November 18, 2015, to the Board Chair, approving the request from the Director of Finance to underspend the District's targeted Aboriginal education amount for the 2014/15 school year.

Westbank First Nation, November 20, 2015, thanking the Board of Education for increasing the Aboriginal Education budget by allocating additional funds for the District Principal position.

Summary of Copies of Letters received by the Board

SD No. 68 (Nanaimo Ladysmith), November 10, 2015, to the Minister of Education and all BC Boards of Education, regarding the difficulties experienced since the implementation of MyEducation BC.

SD No. 74 (Gold Trail), November 17, 2015, to the Minister of Finance, the Minister of Education, and all BC Boards of Education, regarding Exempt Staff Compensation.

SD No. 69 (Qualicum), November 17, 2015, to the Minister of Education, BCTF, BCSSA, BCASBO, local area MLAs and Partner Groups, and all BC Boards of Education, regarding the BCSTA and BCTF recommendations to the Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services.

BCSTA, December 4, 2015, to the Minister of Education and the Minister of Finance requesting that the recommendations of the Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services regarding K-12 education be enacted as soon as possible.

Main

15P-198

MOVED by Trustee Tiede, SECONDED by Trustee Butler,

THAT: At the December 9, 2015, Public Board Meeting, the Board receive the correspondence listed above.

CARRIED

ITEMS REQUIRING SPECIAL MENTION

BC PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYERS' ASSOCIATION

BCPSEA 22nd Annual General Meeting

Date: Friday, January 29, 2016

Location: Vancouver

BC SCHOOL TRUSTEES ASSOCIATION

BCSTA Provincial Council Meeting

Date: February 19 & 20, 2016

Location: Vancouver

BCSTA Thompson Okanagan Branch Meeting

Date: February 26 & 27, 2016

Location: Salmon Arm

FUTURE MEETINGS

REGULARLY SCHEDULED BOARD MEETINGS

Regular Public Board Meeting

Wednesday, January 13, 2016 at 6:00 p.m., School Board Office

Regular Public Board Meeting

Wednesday, January 27, 2016 at 6:00 p.m., School Board Office

BOARD STANDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS

General Affairs

Wednesday, January 6, 2016 at 4:30 pm at the School Board Office

Planning and Facilities

Wednesday, January 6, 2016 at 6:30 pm at the School Board Office

(This meeting will have one agenda item: Lake Country Catchment Area Review - Staff Recommendation)

BOARD MEETINGS WITH PARTNER AND COMMUNITY GROUPS

NOTICES OF MOTION

ITEMS FOR A FUTURE AGENDA

ADJOURNMENT: The Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 7:22 pm.

Chairperson

Secretary-Treasurer