



"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.)

DATE: Wednesday March 12, 2014
TIME: 6:00 PM
LOCATION: School Board Office
1940 Underhill St.
Kelowna, B.C. V1X 5X7

Attending:

Board of Education:

Trustee M. Baxter (Chairperson)
Trustee D. Butler
Trustee J. Brinkerhoff
Trustee R. Cacchioni
Trustee J. Fraser (*absent*)
Trustee C. Gorman
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	No representative
COPVA	Cathie Mutter, Secretary/Elementary Liaison
COTA	Susan Bauhart, President, and April Smith, First Vice-President
CUPE	Wendy Johnson, President
DSC	No representative

ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:07 p.m.

AGENDA

Additions/Amendments/Deletions

Add:	BCSTA AGM Items	13.1.1	Substantive Motion to 2014 BCSTA AGM - Capital Program Review (<i>New item</i>)
		13.1.2	Substantive Motion to 2014 BCSTA AGM - BC Child Poverty Reduction Action Plan (<i>New item</i>)
		13.1.3	Substantive Motion to 2014 BCSTA AGM - Expectations of Classroom Teachers (<i>New item</i>)

Main

14P-047 MOVED by Trustee Butler, SECONDED by Trustee Brinkerhoff,
THAT: The Agenda for March 5, 2014 be adopted as amended.
CARRIED

MINUTES

Public Board Meeting – February 26, 2014

Main

14P-048 MOVED by Trustee Pendharkar, SECONDED by Trustee Butler,
THAT: The Minutes of the Public Board Meeting of February 26, 2014 be adopted as distributed.
CARRIED

RECOGNITION/ PRESENTATION/DELEGATIONS

The Board began the recognition portion of the meeting by listening to the Education Week radio commercial proclaiming March 10 - 14, 2014 as Education Week. The commercial was recorded by Alisha Ahuja and Amarit Brar, student representatives on the Education Week Committee.

Recognition: 2014 Community Sport Hero Awards Winner

The Board congratulated Richard Gauthier, Aboriginal Advocate for Kelowna Secondary School and Okanagan Mission Secondary School, for receiving the 2014 Community Sport Hero Volunteer Award for coaching racquetball.

Recognition: Central Okanagan Heritage Society 2014 Award to Central School

The Central Okanagan Heritage Society has recognized Central School with a Heritage Award plaque. The plaque will be displayed at Central School.

Introduction: Rotary Exchange Students for 2013/2014

- Joana Gasparini - Mount Boucherie Secondary School
- Joao Pedro Vierira Campos - Kelowna Secondary School
- Mathilde Hoferlin - Okanagan Mission Secondary School

The Rotary Exchange Students shared their personal history and reflections on attending school in Kelowna. Tobi Hickling, Kelowna Rotary Club representative, was in attendance. The Rotary Club is an international organization with over 2 million members in approximately 200 countries.

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 Cacchioni

Queried whether appropriate signage can be placed along Elliot Road in West Kelowna while the road construction takes place, as this is a safety concern for students walking to and from École George Pringle Elementary School each day.

The Secretary-Treasurer will contact BC Transit regarding the placement of adequate signage, and will also review the possibility of increased school safety patrols during peak times with the District's Traffic Safety Officer.

Trustee Brinkerhoff

Queried whether the District could receive advance notice from UBC Okanagan regarding their future lecture series, in order to provide the information to Trustees and District staff.

The Superintendent will discuss with UBC Okanagan staff the possibility of receiving advance notice of their lecture series.

Trustee Baxter

Questioned whether, during the District's annual Education Week celebration, a student showcase/open house could be held to provide an opportunity for members of the public to see the programs/initiatives that Central Okanagan students are involved in.

The Assistant Superintendent will add this as an agenda item for the Education Week Committee's debriefing meeting taking place on May 12, 2014.

ACTION ITEMS

Annual Facility Grant (AFG) Plan for 2014/2015 through 2018/2019

Main
14P-049

MOVED by Trustee Cacchioni, SECONDED by Trustee Butler,
THAT: The Board of Education approve the Annual Facility Grant Plan for 2014/2015 through 2018/2019, as attached to the agenda and as presented at the March 12, 2014 Public Board Meeting.
CARRIED

Lake Country Junior Middle School Project Identification Report

Main
14P-050

MOVED by Trustee Cacchioni, SECONDED by Trustee Brinkerhoff,
THAT: The Board of Education approve the Project Identification Report for Lake Country Area for submission to the Ministry of Education, as attached to the agenda and as presented at the March 12, 2014 Public Board Meeting.
CARRIED

Policy 475 - Transportation: Authority and Responsibility and Regulations 475R - Transportation: Authority & Responsibility (Regulations)

Main
14P-051

MOVED by Trustee Cacchioni, SECONDED by Trustee Pendharkar,
THAT: The Board of Education affirm Policy 475 - Transportation: Authority and Responsibility with no recommended changes, as reviewed by the Planning and Facilities Committee;
AND THAT: The Board of Education approve the amended Regulations 475R - Transportation: Authority and Responsibility (Regulations), as attached to the agenda and as recommended by the Planning and Facilities Committee.
CARRIED

Property Bylaw No. 129 - Fortis BC Inc. Statutory Right-of-Way - Okanagan Mission Secondary School

Main
14P-052

MOVED by Trustee Cacchioni, SECONDED by Trustee Gorman,
THAT: The Board of Education give first, second and third readings to School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan) Property Bylaw No. 129 (as attached to the agenda) at the March 12, 2014 Public Board Meeting.
CARRIED

Main
14P-053

MOVED by Trustee Cacchioni, SECONDED by Trustee Gorman,
THAT: School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan) Property Bylaw No. 129 (Registration of a Statutory Right-of-Way) be read a first, second and third time, and finally adopted this 12th day of March, 2014;
AND THAT: The Board of Education of School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan), hereinafter called "the Board", grant approval for registration of a Statutory Right-of-Way in favour of Fortis BC Inc. on Lot 1 District Lot 358 Osoyoos Division Yale District Plan 39944.
CARRIED

District of West Kelowna Request for Cost Sharing Commitment - Highway 97 Safety Committee

Trustee Cacchioni, Acting Chair of the Planning and Facilities Committee, reviewed the request received from the District of West Kelowna, and the on-site improvements previously completed by the Central Okanagan School District.

Main
14P-054

MOVED by Trustee Cacchioni, SECONDED by Trustee Butler,

THAT: The Board of Education officially notify the District of West Kelowna that capital assistance for off-site roadways and sidewalks is beyond the Central Okanagan School District's financial ability and mandate.

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 CUPE and COTA Presidents commented on the effectiveness of the Safety Needs Assessment Committee which includes representatives from all Partner Groups and provides recommendations for improving building safety, several of which are listed on the Annual Facility Grant Plan.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Superintendent's Emergent Issues

2014/2015 Budget Process

- The Ministry's funding announcement for the 2014/2015 school year is expected to be received on Friday, March 14, 2014.
- The Board's Finance and Legal Committee will meet on April 2, 2014 to review funding details and input received, as well as any submissions/presentations that various groups may wish to make.
- The Superintendent's preliminary budget recommendations will be brought to the Board as an Information Item at the April 9, 2014 Public Board Meeting, and subsequently provided to the Finance and Legal Committee as an Action Item at the April 16, 2014 Committee Meeting.
- The Preliminary Budget Proposal - Superintendent's Budget Recommendations will be deliberated by the Board as an Action Item at the April 23, 2014 Public Board Meeting.
- Public input regarding the 2014/2015 budget will be received until April 23, 2014.
- The deadline for online or written submissions to be considered in the Superintendent's Budget Recommendations Report is Friday, March 14, 2014.

BC Interior Jazz Festival - April 10 - 12, 2014

- The BC Interior Jazz Festival hosts jazz bands, jazz and combination choirs, and jazz combos over the three-day event.
- The Jazz Masters' Concert, a show featuring a special guest artist along with many of the festival's adjudicators and professional players from the Okanagan Valley, will take place on Friday, April 11, 2014 at 7:30 pm at the Kelowna Community Theatre.

Testimonial - Former Student

- A Rutland Senior Secondary teacher has received a testimonial from a former student involved in the school's Emergency Medical Responder Program who was able to put his training to use in a business environment to aid a 74 year old gentleman who was in medical distress.

Education Week 2014

- The Education Week Committee and all those involved were thanked for their work in organizing the many Education Week events, in particular the Education Week Breakfast which took place on March 12, 2014 at Rutland Senior Secondary School.

Suspension Summary Report: 2007/2008 to 2012/2013

The Board reviewed the information provided.

Field Trips 2013/2014

The Board reviewed the information provided.

Month End Enrolment - January 2014 and February 2014

The Board reviewed the information provided.

General Statements

BOARD/DISTRICT COMMITTEE REPORTS

BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

Sent: The Honourable Judith Guichon, Lieutenant Governor of British Columbia, March 4, 2014, thanking her for her recent visit to the Central Okanagan School District.

The President of the Central Okanagan Teachers' Association, March 4, 2014, acknowledging the Stay granted by the Court of Appeal for British Columbia on the BC Supreme Court decision dated January 27, 2014.

The BCSTA President and Board of Directors, March 4, 2014, thanking them for their communication on emergent events taking place in recent months.

Received: Correspondence Directed to the Board

Ministry of Education, February 20, 2014, in response to the Board's letter regarding recommendations of the Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services (sent on December 3, 2014).

Okanagan Nation Alliance, February 24, 2014, to the Board Chair, regarding their booklet "That Which Gives Us Life".

Canadian Student Leadership Conference 2014 Committee, February 27, 2014, to the Board Chair regarding opening ceremonies.

Bryan Mix, March 3, 2014, to the Board Chair, promoting Prioritize Software and Consulting to assist in the budget process.

Summary of Copies of Letters received by the Board

SD No. 74 (Gold Trail), February 19, 2014, to the Minister of Education, the Deputy Minister of Education and all BC Boards of Education, regarding the Minister's recent letter to teachers.

SD No. 38 (Richmond), February 24, 2014, to the Minister of Education, local MLAs, and all BC Boards of Education, regarding the Minister's recent letter to teachers.

SD No. 20 (Kootenay-Columbia), February 25, 2014, to the Minister of Education and all BC Boards of Education, regarding funding concerns and the erosion of the public education system.

SD No. 28 (Quesnel), February 25, 2014, to the Minister of Education, local MLAs and Partner Groups, and all BC Boards of Education, regarding endorsement of the BCSTA “Stability for Students Action Plan”.

SD No. 82 (Coast Mountains), February 27, 2014, to the Premier, the Minister of Education, local area MLAs and all BC Boards of Education, regarding funding K-12 public education and negotiating in good faith with the BCTF.

SD No. 22 (Vernon), March 3, 2014, to the Minister of Education, the Premier of BC, local area MLAs and Partner Groups, and all BC Boards of Education, requesting the Ministry’s and Government’s support for the “Stability for Students Action Plan”.

SD No. 08 (Kootenay Lake), March 4, 2014, to the Premier of British Columbia, local area MLAs, and all BC Boards of Education, regarding recommendations of the Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services with respect to the 2014 provincial budget.

Main

14P-055

MOVED by Trustee Butler, SECONDED by Trustee Brinkerhoff,

THAT: At the March 12, 2014 Public Board Meeting, the Board receive the correspondence listed above.

CARRIED

ITEMS REQUIRING SPECIAL MENTION

The Central Okanagan School District’s Years of Service Recognition and Welcome Reception for New Employees will take place on Tuesday, April 8, 2014, from 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm at the Coast Capri Hotel.

BC PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYERS’ ASSOCIATION

BC SCHOOL TRUSTEES ASSOCIATION

BCSTA AGM

Date: April 24 - 27, 2014

Location: Vancouver

Substantive Motion to 2014 BCSTA AGM - Capital Program Review

Substantive Motion to 2014 BCSTA AGM - BC Child Poverty Reduction Action Plan

Substantive Motion to 2014 BCSTA AGM - Expectations of Classroom Teachers

The Substantive Motions were discussed at the March 7 & 8, 2014 BCSTA Thompson Okanagan Branch Chapter Meeting. The Chair of the Branch Resolution Committee has requested a response from Boards of Education on the proposed amendments by March 18, 2014.

Main

14P-056

MOVED by Trustee Butler, SECONDED by Trustee Cacchioni,

THAT: As the three Substantive Motions were not supported by a majority of branch members at the Thompson Okanagan Branch Meeting, the Motions should be submitted by the originating School District.

CARRIED

FUTURE MEETINGS

REGULARLY SCHEDULED BOARD MEETINGS

Regular Public Board Meeting
Wednesday, April 9, 2014, at 6:00 pm, School Board Office

Regular Public Board Meeting
Wednesday, April 23, 2014, at 6:00 pm, School Board Office

BOARD STANDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Finance and Legal (CONFIRMED)
Wednesday, April 2, 2014 at 1:00 pm at the School Board Office

Human Resources and Staff Services
Wednesday, April 2, 2014 at 4:30 pm at the School Board Office

Education and Student Services
Wednesday, April 2, 2014 at 6:30 pm at the School Board Office

BOARD MEETINGS WITH PARTNER AND COMMUNITY GROUPS

Board of Education Meeting with local MLAs
DATE: Friday, March 14, 2014

Board of Education Meeting with District of West Kelowna Mayor and Council
DATE: Tuesday, April 22, 2014

Board of Education Meeting with Okanagan College Board of Governors
DATE: Tuesday, April 29, 2014

Board of Education Meeting with City of Kelowna Mayor and Council
DATE: Wednesday, April 30, 2014

Board of Education Meeting with District of Lake Country Mayor and Council
DATE: Monday, May 5, 2014

Board of Education Meeting with District of Peachland Mayor and Council
DATE: Tuesday, June 24, 2014

NOTICES OF MOTION

ITEMS FOR A FUTURE AGENDA

ADJOURNMENT: The Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 6:52 pm.

Chairperson

Secretary-Treasurer