



**BOARD OF EDUCATION
PUBLIC MEETING
MINUTES**

Wednesday, September 25, 2019, 6:00 pm

Board of Education: Trustee M. Baxter, Chairperson
Trustee R. Cacchioni
Trustee C. Desrosiers
Trustee J. Fraser
Trustee A. Geistlinger
Trustee L. Tiede

Absent: Trustee N. Bowman

Staff: Kevin Kaardal, Superintendent of Schools/CEO
Ryan Stierman, Secretary-Treasurer/CFO
Terry Beaudry, Deputy Superintendent of Schools
Michelle DesRochers, Executive Assistant (recorder)

Partner Groups: Susan Bauhart, COTA President
Margaret Varga, CUPE Vice-President
Violeta Malfair, COPVPA Social Committee
Cherylee Morrison, COPAC Co-President

No representatives were present from the District Student Council.

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

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:06 pm.

AGENDA

Add: Material for Agenda item 9.2 Superintendent of Schools/CEO: 2019 School Opening Report - Part 2

Add: Material for Agenda Item 11.1 Enhancement Agreement (Proposal in Principle) - École KLO Middle School Modular Farm

Main 19P-124

MOVED by Trustee Fraser

SECONDED by Trustee Tiede

THAT: The Agenda for the September 25, 2019 Public Board Meeting be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

MINUTES

Public Board Meeting - September 11, 2019

Add: List of Correspondence received.

Amend the last sentence in item number 2 under Items Requiring Special Mention to read 'positive contributing global citizens'.

MAIN 19P-125

MOVED by Trustee Geistlinger

SECONDED by Trustee Fraser

THAT: The Minutes of the Public Board Meeting of September 11, 2019 be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

CENTRAL OKANAGAN PUBLIC SCHOOLS – "INSIDE 23"

New Teachers

In attendance:

Leanne Zorn, District Principal – Human Resources

Natasha Jaswal, Elementary Counsellor at Springvalley Elementary/South Rutland Elementary

Kevin Clyde, French Immersion Math/Science teacher at École Dr. Knox Middle

Ms. Jaswal and Mr. Clyde are two new employees of the District. They spoke about their experience in being hired by the District, their current roles, how their first three weeks of school have been and what they are excited about.

Gratitude at Springvalley Elementary School

In attendance:

Sue Stevenson, Principal, Springvalley Elementary

Tim Van Brummelen, Vice-Principal, Springvalley Elementary

Teachers:

Drew Hamilton

Kristi Fortuin

Kiran Grewal

The Principal, Vice-Principal and teachers of Springvalley Elementary School presented on how they practice gratitude at Springvalley Elementary School.

INTRODUCTION/RECOGNITION

Introductions of Newly Appointed Principals, Vice-Principals, and COSBO Staff

The Board of Education welcomed and congratulated the following newly appointed Principals, Vice-Principals, and COSBO Staff:

- Jayne Booth, Human Resources Manager
- Scott Brown, Vice-Principal at Mount Boucherie Secondary
- Christey Hughes, Vice-Principal at École Kelowna Secondary
- Michelle Kaupp, Principal at Chief Tomat Elementary
- Violeta Malfair, Principal at Hudson Road Elementary
- Lori McPhail, International Education Homestay Coordinator
- Natalie Morin, Vice-Principal at École George Pringle Elementary
- Chris Oakes, Vice-Principal at École KLO Middle
- Wynter Oakes, Vice-Principal at Mount Boucherie Secondary
- Michelle Relova, Principal at Ellison Elementary
- Jeremy Sanbrooks, Vice-Principal at École Peter Greer Elementary

Unable to Attend:

- Thomas Gruenenwald, Principal at Springvalley Middle

DECLARATIONS

Orange Shirt Day - Monday, September 30, 2019

The Central Okanagan Board of Education declared Monday, September 30, 2019 as 'Orange Shirt Day' in Central Okanagan Public Schools.

International Walk to School Day - Wednesday, October 2, 2019

The Central Okanagan Board of Education declared Wednesday, October 2, 2019 as 'International Walk to School Day' in Central Okanagan Public Schools.

World Teachers' Day - Saturday, October 5, 2019

The Central Okanagan Board of Education declared Saturday, October 5, 2019 as 'World Teachers' Day' in Central Okanagan Public Schools.

Meeting Recess (Five Minutes)

6:52 pm: The meeting recessed.

6:59 pm: The meeting reconvened.

PUBLIC QUESTION/COMMENT PERIOD

There were no public questions/comments.

STAFF PRESENTATIONS

Modular Farm at École KLO Middle School

Presenters:

Ashley Ragoonaden, Principal, École KLO Middle School
Peter Boyd, Community Member

In Attendance:

Heidi Kubin, Vice-Principal, École KLO Middle School
Chris Oakes, Vice-Principal, École KLO Middle School

Principal Ragoonaden explained that through a grant from President's Choice (PC) Children's Charities, École KLO Middle School has been awarded a Modular Farm. The Modular Farm will provide students the opportunity to practice sustainable living for future generations, leadership, and the importance of global citizenship. A Modular Farm on site at École KLO Middle School will enhance the ability of teachers from École KLO Middle School and other schools to create in-situ, contemporary, novel learning environments that are very relevant to local and regional context.

A video of another school in Saskatchewan that received a Modular Farm from PC Children's Charities was shared.

The Board of Education was requested to enter, in principle, into an Enhancement Agreement.

Superintendent of Schools/CEO: 2019 School Opening Report - Part 2

The Superintendent of Schools/CEO presented the 2019 School Opening Report – Part 2. This report provides detailed information about school enrolment and covers the time period of September 6 to 20, 2019. To date, the District has enrolled 22,784 students this year (excluding Central Program and Services) which is 491 students above last year (excluding Central Program and Services).

The 2019 School Opening Report – Part 2 is available on the Central Okanagan Public Schools website.

Main 19P-126

MOVED by Trustee Tiede

SECONDED by Trustee Desrosiers

THAT: The Board of Education receive the Superintendent of Schools/CEO: 2019 School Opening Report - Part 2.

CARRIED

TRUSTEES QUERIES/COMMENTS

Trustee Fraser queried if students will be participating in mock elections.

The Superintendent of Schools/CEO stated that 34 schools will be participating in mock elections.

ACTION ITEMS

Enhancement Agreement (Proposal in Principle) - École KLO Middle School Modular Farm

Main 19P-127

MOVED by Trustee Fraser

SECONDED by Trustee Geistlinger

THAT: The Board of Education enter into an Enhancement Agreement, in principle, with École KLO Middle School for the installation of a Modular Farm on site at École KLO Middle.

CARRIED

Audited Financial Statements Fiscal Year 2018/2019

Main 19P-128

MOVED by Trustee Cacchioni

SECONDED by Trustee Fraser

THAT: The Board of Education receive and approve the Audited Financial Statements Fiscal Year 2018/2019.

CARRIED

Renewal of External Auditors, Grant Thornton LLP

Main 19P-129

MOVED by Trustee Cacchioni

SECONDED by Trustee Fraser

THAT: The Board of Education renew the appointment of Grant Thornton LLP as the auditors for the Central Okanagan School District for a period of five years beginning with the audit of the 2019/2020 fiscal year.

CARRIED

Property Bylaw No. 149 - BC Hydro/Telus Statutory Right-of-Way on the Sports Fields for George Elliot Secondary and H.S. Grenda Middle Schools

Main 19P-130

MOVED by Trustee Fraser

SECONDED by Trustee Desrosiers

THAT: The Board of Education give first, second and third readings to School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan) Property Bylaw No. 149 (registration of a Statutory Right-of-Way), for registration of a Statutory Right-of-Way in favour of BC Hydro/Telus on Lot 2, Section 10 Township 20 Osoyoos Division Yale District Plan 4073 except Plan 26148 and Plan EPP17253.

CARRIED

Main 19P-131

MOVED by Trustee Fraser

SECONDED by Trustee Tiede

THAT: School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan) Property Bylaw No. 149 (registration of a Statutory Right-of-Way) be read a first, second and third time and finally adopted;

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 BC Hydro/Telus on Lot 2, Section 10 Township 20 Osoyoos Division Yale District Plan 4073 except Plan 26148 and Plan EPP17253.

CARRIED

Westbank First Nation Elections

Main 19P-132

MOVED by Trustee Fraser

SECONDED by Trustee Desrosiers

THAT: The Board of Education write a letter of congratulations to the recently elected Westbank First Nation Chief and Council;

AND THAT: The Board of Education write a letter to thank the previous Westbank First Nation Chief and Council for their service.

CARRIED

PUBLIC QUESTION/COMMENT PERIOD

There were no public questions/comments.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Superintendent's Emergent Issues

The Superintendent of Schools distributed a draft News Release regarding the School Board's statement on the supportive housing in Rutland. The News Release will be distributed to the media on September 26, 2019.

Central Okanagan Public Schools 2018/2019 Public Sector Executive Compensation Disclosure Report

The Board reviewed the information.

Level 4 and 5 Field Study Summary – 2019/2020

The Board reviewed the information.

General Statement – September 11, 2019

The Board reviewed the information provided.

BOARD/DISTRICT COMMITTEE QUERIES/COMMENTS AND REPORTS

There were no Board/District Committee queries/comments or reports.

BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

Sent:

Letters to Partner and Community Groups, September 10, 2019, Invite to Meet with the Board

Received:

A. Volk, September 11, 2019, Rutland to KLO Bus

T. Mooring, BCTF President, Global School Climate Strikes

Main 19P-133

MOVED by Trustee Geistlinger

SECONDED by Trustee Fraser

THAT: At the September 25, 2019 Public Board Meeting, the Board receive the correspondence listed above.

CARRIED

ITEMS REQUIRING SPECIAL MENTION

Trustees and the Superintendent reported on the following:

1. Trustees spoke of their attendance at events throughout the District including **Mount Boucherie Secondary School hosting a delegation from the Yukon** to visit the Indigenous Education Academy and attendance at the **Canadian School Boards Association (CSBA) Conference**.
2. **Friday Night Football** has commenced with KSS having their first home game last Friday. This Friday (September 27th) will have RSS playing at 6:00 pm at the Apple Bowl.
3. **Global Action Strike** – a letter was sent home to parents of middle and secondary school students on Thursday, September 19, 2019. Students may be excused from school by their parents/guardians.

4. The **Grand Opening of Sensisysten House of Learning** is taking place tomorrow, Thursday, September 26th, starting at 2:30 pm.
5. **Foundation Skills Assessment (FSA)** will be administered in grades 4 and 7 from September 30th to November 8th. Parents/Guardians of students in grades 4 and 7 received a letter from the Superintendent of Schools/CEO.
6. **Premier's Awards for Excellence in Education**
Three Central Okanagan Public School employees are finalists for the Premier's Awards for Excellence in Education and will be attending a ceremony in Victoria on October 4, 2019:

District Leadership category:

Jordan Kleckner, District Principal of Learning

Technology School Leadership category:

Troy White, Principal, École Kelowna Secondary

Outstanding Support (Teaching Assistant) category:

Marie Kielpinski, CEA, Mount Boucherie Secondary

BC PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYERS' ASSOCIATION

BCPSEA Symposium

November 4-5, 2019, Vancouver, BC

BC SCHOOL TRUSTEES ASSOCIATION

Thompson Okanagan Branch BCSTA Meeting

October 4-5, 2019, Summerland Waterfront Resort & Spa

BCSTA - Meeting of Board Chairs

October 17, 2019, Richmond, BC

BCSTA and Ministry of Education - Joint Liaison Meeting

October 18, 2019, Richmond, BC

BCSTA Provincial Council Meeting

October 25-26, 2019, Vancouver, BC

BCSTA - Trustee Academy 2019

November 28-30, 2019, Vancouver, BC

FUTURE MEETINGS

Regularly Scheduled Board Meetings

Regular Public Board Meeting

Wednesday, October 9, 2019 at 6:00 pm, Board Room Main at 1040 Hollywood Road South

Regular Public Board Meeting

Wednesday, October 23, 2019 at 6:00 pm, Board Room Main at 1040 Hollywood Road South

Board Standing Committee Meetings

Policy Committee

Wednesday, October 2, 2019 at 4:00 pm, Board Room Main at 1040 Hollywood Road South

Education and Student Services Committee

Wednesday, October 2, 2019 at 6:00 pm, Board Room Main at 1040 Hollywood Road South

NOTICES OF MOTION

Trustee Geistlinger:

THAT: The Board of Education request staff provide a thorough, unbiased report on the potential health effects related to 5G cellular radiation.

AND THAT: Any funding and sponsorship connected to the referenced scientific studies be disclosed.

ITEMS FOR A FUTURE AGENDA

There were no items for a future agenda.

MEDIA QUESTIONS

Connor Tremblay, Kelowna Capital News: Mr. Tremblay requested confirmation on the surplus noted in the Audited Financial Statements Fiscal Year 2018-2019.

The Secretary-Treasurer/CFO explained the \$2.4 million operating surplus noted in the Audited Financial Statements Fiscal Year 2018-2019.

ADJOURNMENT

The Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 8:09 pm.

Chairperson

Secretary-Treasurer/CFO