



BOARD OF EDUCATION

PUBLIC MEETING

MINUTES

Wednesday, April 26, 2023, 6:00 pm

School Board Office

1040 Hollywood Road S

Kelowna, BC

Board of Education: Trustee L. Tiede, Chair
Trustee W. Broughton
Trustee C. Desrosiers
Trustee J. Fraser
Trustee A. Geistlinger
Trustee L. Guderyan
Trustee V. Johnson

Staff: Kevin Kaardal, Superintendent of Schools/CEO
Delta Carmichael, Secretary-Treasurer/CFO
Terry Beaudry, Deputy Superintendent of Schools
Mona Essler, Executive Assistant
Lise Bradshaw, Executive Assistant (Recorder)

Partner Groups: Susan Bauhart, COTA President
Shelley Yost, CUPE Clerical Shop Steward
Wynter Oakes, COPVPA Executive
Simon Adams, COPAC President
Nicola Baker, COPAC Vice-President
Zach Johnson, DSC Co-President

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

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:03 pm.

The board Chair advised that due to technical difficulties, the meeting would not be broadcast by Zoom.

AGENDA

Main 23P-052

MOVED by Trustee Desrosiers

SECONDED by Trustee Fraser

THAT: The Agenda for the Public Board Meeting of April 26, 2023 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

MINUTES

Public Board Meeting - April 12, 2023

Main 23P-053

MOVED by Trustee Geistlinger

SECONDED by Trustee Guderyan

THAT: The Minutes of the Public Board Meeting of April 12, 2023 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

RECOGNITION OF NATIONAL DAY OF MOURNING

National Day of Mourning - April 28, 2023

The Central Okanagan Board of Education observed a moment of silence to honour those workers who have been hurt or who have lost their lives in the course of performing their duties. In honour of the National Day of Mourning, the flags at the School Board Office and Operations Department will be flown at half-mast on Friday, April 28, 2023.

CENTRAL OKANAGAN PUBLIC SCHOOLS – "INSIDE 23"

Speaker's Idol 2023

In attendance: Graeme Stacey, teacher, École Kelowna Secondary School

Students: Brooklynne Lauridson, Grade 12, École Kelowna Secondary School
Callie Patton, Grade 12, École Kelowna Secondary School

In response to the Friends of Simon Wiesenthal Center's annual student public-speaking competition, École Kelowna Secondary School students, Brooklynne Lauridson and Callie Patton each presented their 3-minute speech relating to the quote by Holocaust survivor Simon Wiesenthal:

"I believe that there is no other solution than to constantly engage with the past and to learn from it."

RECOGNITION

Robotics Team: Mount Boucherie Secondary School

In attendance: Scott Sieben, Principal, Mount Boucherie Secondary School
Mike Boulanger, Teacher/Mentor, Mount Boucherie Secondary School

Students: Simon Telfer, Grade 11, Mount Boucherie Secondary School
Nicole Keenan, Grade 12, Mount Boucherie Secondary School
Parker Reeves, Grade 11, Mount Boucherie Secondary School

The Board of Education recognized the Mount Boucherie Secondary School Robotics team who made school history, taking second place at the Canadian Pacific Regional international event held in Victoria. A Castanet [video](#) was viewed, showing the robots and team in action.

DECLARATIONS

TTOC Appreciation Week May 1-5, 2023

The Central Okanagan Board of Education declared May 1-5, 2023 as TTOC Appreciation Week and recognized all Teachers Teaching on Call (TTOC) in Central Okanagan Public Schools.

National Day of Awareness of Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls - May 5, 2023

The Central Okanagan Board of Education declared May 5, 2023 as a Day of Awareness of Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls.

PRESENTATIONS

Supporting Queer Youth: Advocating for Healthy Outcomes in Education

Presenter: Wilbur Turner, Chair of Advocacy Canada

Mr. Turner's presentation outlined why support for queer youth is important, what contributes to negative and positive outcomes for queer youth, and how society and schools can do better.

STAFF PRESENTATION

Superintendent of Schools/CEO 2023/2024 Budget Presentation

Presenter: Kevin Kaardal, Superintendent of Schools/CEO

The Superintendent of Schools/CEO provided a brief PowerPoint outlining the highlights of the 2023/2024 Annual Budget Recommendations. The 2023/2024 Annual Budget Bylaw will come to the Board of Education for final approval at the June 28, 2023 Public Board Meeting before submission to the Ministry of Education and Child Care by June 30, 2023. The Superintendent of Schools/CEO 2023/2024 Annual Budget Presentation is posted on the District [website](#).

PUBLIC QUESTION/COMMENT PERIOD

Laurie Bowen, a resident of West Kelowna, spoke of school enrollment in Central Okanagan public schools. Ms. Bowen listed statistics she found on the number of children who are enrolled in private education or homeschooling and queried the impact it would make financially if the District were to attract some of these families to public education.

TRUSTEE QUERIES/COMMENTS

None

ACTION ITEMS

Central Okanagan Public Schools Superintendent of Schools/CEO 2023/2024 Budget Recommendations Report

Recommendation of the Finance and Audit Committee – April 19, 2023.

Main 23P-054

MOVED by Trustee Broughton

SECONDED by Trustee Desrosiers

THAT: The Board of Education approve the Central Okanagan Public Schools Superintendent of Schools/CEO 2023/2024 Budget Recommendations, as attached to the Agenda, and as presented at the April 26, 2023 Public Board Meeting.
CARRIED

Trustee Indemnity for the 2023/2024 Fiscal Year

Recommendation of the Finance and Audit Committee – April 19, 2023.

The Secretary-Treasurer/CFO responded to a query from the COTA President regarding the wages and benefits of Certified Education Assistants.

Main 23P-055

MOVED by Trustee Broughton
SECONDED by Trustee Johnson

THAT: The Board of Education set the Trustee Indemnity, in accordance with the most recent BC Consumer Price Index of 7.0% for the period July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024 thereby setting the stipend at: Trustee - \$24,051, Vice Chair - \$25,401, Chair - \$27,453.
CARRIED

Capital Plan Bylaw No. 2023/2024-CPSD23-01

Recommendation from the Planning and Facilities Committee meeting - April 5, 2023.

Main 23P-056

MOVED by Trustee Desrosiers
SECONDED by Trustee Johnson

THAT: The Board of Education of School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan) give first reading to Capital Bylaw No. 2023/2024-CPSD23-01.
CARRIED

Main 23P-057

MOVED by Trustee Desrosiers
SECONDED by Trustee Johnson

THAT: The Board of Education of School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan) give second reading to Capital Bylaw No. 2023/2024-CPSD23-01.
CARRIED

Main 23P-058

MOVED by Trustee Desrosiers

SECONDED by Trustee Guderyan

THAT: The Board of Education of School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan) give all three readings to Capital Bylaw No. 2023/2024-CPSD23-01 at the April 26, 2023 Public Board Meeting.

CARRIED

Main 23P-059

MOVED by Trustee Desrosiers

SECONDED by Trustee Guderyan

THAT: The Board of Education of School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan) give third reading and adopt Capital Bylaw No. 2023/2024-CPSD23-01.

CARRIED

INFORMATION ITEMS

Superintendent's Emergent Issues

None

Level 4 and 5 Field Study Summary – 2022/2023

The Board reviewed the information.

Level 4 and 5 Field Study Summary - 2023/2024

The Board reviewed the information.

General Statement – April 12, 2023

The Board reviewed the information.

School District Portable Requirements – 2023/2024 School Year

The Board reviewed the information.

BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

Received: 2023-04-17 Email from S. Gallivan re: criminal records checks for volunteers

2023-04-17 Letter from S. Kootnekoff re: bussing for French immersion students

Sent: None

Main 23P-060

MOVED by Trustee Guderyan

SECONDED by Trustee Broughton

THAT: At the April 26, 2023 Public Board Meeting, the Board receive the correspondence listed above.

CARRIED

ITEMS REQUIRING SPECIAL MENTION

The Board Chair, Trustees and Superintendent of Schools/CEO spoke of the following:

- Attendance at various events throughout the District including School Community Student Learning Plan conversations at Bankhead Elementary, South Rutland Elementary and Peachland Elementary School.
- Attendance at the 37th Annual Art in Action Opening Reception at the Kelowna Art Gallery. The show opened on Friday, April 21, 2023, and runs through to June 18, 2023. This year's annual exhibition reflects the creativity of over 130 middle and high school artists in our local community, showcasing a full spectrum of talent and individuality.
- Several Trustees also attended various school events including the École Kelowna Secondary School Air Band contest and a theatre production at Constable Neil Bruce Middle School.
- On Monday, April 24th The Honourable Rachna Singh, Minister of Education and Child Care, proclaimed April 23rd to April 27th as Education Week 2023 in British Columbia. As quoted by Minister Singh: "Education Week provides an important opportunity to recognize and celebrate the vital contributions of teachers, principals and vice-principals, superintendents, education leaders, school district staff, trustees, as well as students and families, to support educational excellence and student achievement."
- Trustees, the Superintendent of Schools/CEO and the Secretary-Treasurer/CFO will all be attending the BCSTA AGM in Vancouver scheduled for April 27 – April 29, 2023.
- April 26, 2023 is National Administrative Assistants Day.

BC SCHOOL TRUSTEES ASSOCIATION

BCSTA AGM

April 27-29, 2023, Westin Bayshore, Vancouver

FUTURE MEETINGS

Regularly Scheduled Board Meetings

Wednesday, May 10, 2023, at 6:00 pm

Wednesday, May 24, 2023, at 6:00 pm

Main Board Room, 1040 Hollywood Road S.

Board Standing Committee Meetings

Wednesday, May 3, 2023

- ~~General Affairs Committee Meeting, 4:00 pm~~ **cancelled**
- ~~Planning and Facilities Committee Meeting, 6:00 pm~~ **cancelled**

Wednesday, May 17, 2023

- Finance and Audit Committee Meeting, 4:00 pm
- Education and Student Services Committee Meeting, 6:00 pm

Main Board Room, 1040 Hollywood Road S.

MEDIA QUESTIONS

None

ADJOURNMENT

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 7:47 pm.

Chair

Secretary-Treasurer/CFO