



CENTRAL OKANAGAN PUBLIC SCHOOLS - BOARD COMMITTEE REPORT

Policy Committee Public Meeting

**Wednesday, May 5, 2021, 4:00 pm
Via Zoom**

Board of Education: Trustee J. Fraser, Chairperson
Trustee N. Bowman, Committee Member
Trustee A. Geistlinger, Committee Member
Trustee M. Baxter
Trustee C. Desrosiers

Staff: Kevin Kaardal, Superintendent of Schools/CEO
Ryan Stierman, Secretary-Treasurer/CFO
Terry Beaudry, Deputy Superintendent
Jon Rever, Assistant Superintendent
Kyle Cormier, Director of Labour Relations
Jordan Kleckner, District Principal of Learning Technology Programs
Mona Essler, Executive Assistant (recorder)

Partner Groups: Lori Dawson Bedard, COTA First Vice-President
Wynter Oakes, Pro-D Finance, COPVPA
Shelley Yost, CUPE Clerical/Library Assistant Shop Steward
Isabella Harmel - Grade 11 at KSS

There was no representative from the COPAC.

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

AGENDA

Remove from Item 10: Items for Future Policy Committee Meetings

Amendments to Policy 486 – Student Use of Electronic and Social Media Communication –
consultation/feedback with partner groups

May 5, 2021 Committee Agenda - approved as amended.

REPORTS/MATTERS ARISING

Policy Committee Public Meeting Report – March 3, 2021

March 3, 2021 Committee Report - received as distributed.

PUBLIC QUESTION/COMMENT PERIOD

There were no public questions/comments.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS QUERIES/COMMENTS

There were no queries/comments from Committee members.

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

Amendments to Policy 486 – Student Use of Electronic and Social Media Communication

Amendments to Policy 486 – Student Use of Electronic and Social Media Communication were first brought forward to the Policy Committee on February 5, 2020. The amendments were suggested to reflect the evolution of the network and to bring the terminology up to date. The amendments were forwarded to partner groups for discussion. Subsequently, the District Principal – Learning Technology Programs contacted representatives from COPAC, CUPE, COTA and COPVPA to obtain feedback on the suggested amended language. All partner groups were in favour of the amendments. The Assistant Superintendent and District Principal of Learning Technology Programs responded to queries regarding the removal of item 1 under Policy. The Network Agreement will be incorporated into each School's Code of Conduct. In order to ensure standardization of the language in the Code of Conduct, wording will be provided to the schools. The Committee discussed suggested amendments brought forward by Trustee Geistlinger.

Outcome:

THAT: The Policy Committee recommends to the Board of Education:

THAT: The Board of Education approve the amendments to Policy 486 – Student Use of Electronic and Social Media Communication, as attached to and as amended at the May 5, 2021 Policy Committee Meeting.

Amendments to Policy 645 – Video Surveillance Closed Circuit Television (CCTV) and Amendments to Regulations 645R – Video Surveillance Closed Circuit Television (CCTV) (Regulations)

The amendments coming forward are the updating of the address in item 5 and additional housekeeping amendments. The Superintendent of Schools/CEO responded to queries from the COTA representative.

Outcome:

THAT: The Policy Committee recommends to the Board of Education:

THAT: The Board of Education approve the amendments to Policy 645 – Video Surveillance Closed Circuit Television (CCTV) and Amendments to Regulations 645R – Video Surveillance Closed Circuit Television (CCTV) (Regulations) as attached to the Agenda and as presented at the May 5, 2021 Policy Committee Meeting.

Amendments to Policy 167 – Board Participation in Collective Bargaining Process

The suggested amendments to Policy 167 – Board Participation in Collective Bargaining Process were discussed with representatives of the CUPE and COTA individually on March 31, 2021. The COTA representative requested a definition of the word "observer" and if the observer would be speaking during actual bargaining or only during caucus. The Superintendent of Schools/CEO replied that the observer is able to ask any questions to get clarification, in order to bring back information to the Board of Education.

Outcome:

THAT: The Policy Committee recommends to the Board of Education:

THAT: The Board of Education approve the amendments to Policy 167 – Board Participation in Collective Bargaining Process, as attached to the Agenda and as presented at the May 5, 2021 Policy Committee Meeting.

COMMITTEE CORRESPONDENCE

ITEMS REQUIRING SPECIAL MENTION

RECOMMENDATIONS/REFERRALS TO THE BOARD/COORDINATING COMMITTEE/OTHER COMMITTEES

Board of Education – Action Items:

- Amendments to Policy 486 – Student Use of Electronic and Social Media Communication
- Amendments to Policy 645 – Video Surveillance Closed Circuit Television (CCTV) and Amendments to Regulations 645R – Video Surveillance Closed Circuit Television (CCTV) (Regulations)
- Amendments to Policy 167 – Board Participation in Collective Bargaining Process

ITEMS FOR FUTURE POLICY COMMITTEE MEETINGS

- Policy 390 – Conflict of Interest and Confidentiality

- Amendments to Policy 625 – Sites, Facility and Equipment Enhancements – recommendation from the Ad Hoc Policy Committee
- Amendments to Policy 220 – Principals and Vice-Principals: Selection, Appointment and Transfer and Regulations 220R – Principals and Vice-Principals: Selection, Appointment and Transfer
- Policy 630 – Dedication and Naming of Schools and Facilities
- Review of Policies – Section 1: Board of Education

FUTURE POLICY COMMITTEE MEETINGS

June 2, 2021 and November 3, 2021

MEDIA QUESTIONS

There were no questions from the media.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned 5:01 pm.

Questions - Please Contact:

Trustee Fraser, Chairperson at 250-681-0269 or Julia.Fraser@sd23.bc.ca

Kevin Kaardal, Superintendent of Schools/CEO at 250-470-3256 or Kevin.Kaardal@sd23.bc.ca

Julia Fraser, Chairperson