



Central Okanagan
Public Schools
Together We Learn

BOARD OF EDUCATION PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

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

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

DATE: Wednesday, June 12, 2019
TIME: 6:00 pm
LOCATION: School Board Office
1040 Hollywood Road S.
Kelowna, BC

In attendance:

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

In attendance:

Staff:

K. Kaardal, Superintendent of Schools/CEO
E. Sadlowski, Secretary-Treasurer/CFO
T. Beaudry, Deputy Superintendent (*arrived at 6:09 pm*)
M. DesRochers, Executive Assistant (*Recorder*)

Partner Group Representatives Attending:

COPAC No Representative
COPVPA Tim Van Brummelen, Member-at-Large
COTA Susan Bauhart, President
CUPE David Tether, President
DSC Keneisha Charles, Co-President, Grade 12 at Rutland Senior Secondary
DSC Matthew Richardson, Grade 12 at Kelowna Secondary

ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm.

AGENDA

Add New Recognition Item 4.2 District Student Council – Grade 12 Members

Add Materials for scheduled Information Item 11.5 2019-2020 French Immersion Enrolment Numbers on the Westside

Main

19P-094 MOVED by Trustee Tiede, SECONDED by Trustee Desrosiers,
THAT: The Agenda for the June 12, 2019 Public Board Meeting be adopted as amended.
CARRIED

6:09 pm: The Deputy Superintendent of Schools joined the meeting.

MINUTES

Public Board Meeting – May 22, 2019

Main

19P-095 MOVED by Trustee Fraser, SECONDED by Trustee Geistlinger,
THAT: The Minutes of the Public Board Meeting of May 22, 2019 be adopted as presented.
CARRIED

CENTRAL OKANAGAN PUBLIC SCHOOLS – "INSIDE 23"

Bamfield Marine Sciences Center Field Study by the Vision Program

In attendance:

Dr. Peter Molloy, Director of Instruction – Student Support Services
Lynn Wales, Vision Resource Teacher

Between March 31 and April 5, 2019, the first Marine Science Program at the Bamfield Marine Science Center for students who are blind or visually impaired took place. Coordinated by Lynn Wales (Central Okanagan Public Schools) and Sofeya Devji (School District No. 8 – Kootenay Lake), this initiative saw eight students and eight teachers/assistants, travel to Bamfield, BC, located approximately 50 kilometers south of Port Alberni, on Vancouver Island.

The five-day program gave students the opportunity to be immersed in Marine Science classes, lectures and fieldwork that focused on place-based learning tailored to the students' unique learning modalities. The students worked individually and in groups learning about the biology, chemistry, morphology and ecology of the marine and coastal environments present on the West Coast of British Columbia.

This program was the first time Bamfield had welcomed a large group of individuals with visual disabilities. The Bamfield instructors were provided with certain materials in advance, including large print and braille resources along with educational suggestions on how to make the curriculum more accessible to the students taking part in the program.

The program was a resounding success for both students and the Bamfield Center. The inaugural program provided a strong foundation for moving forward with such place-based learning activities and the coordinators are looking to plan similar initiatives in the future.

RECOGNITION

Rotary Club of Kelowna/Central Okanagan Public Schools Public Speaking Competition Finalists

In Attendance:

Jarret Atkins, Vice Principal, Davidson Road Elementary School

Student Winners:

Abdalla Tall, Grade 7, École KLO Middle School, First Place
Melania Neamtu, Grade 6, Glenrosa Middle School, Second Place
Georgia Strinholm, Grade 6, Glenrosa Middle School, Third Place

On May 7, 2019, ten Grade 6 and 7 students participated in the finals of the Rotary Club of Kelowna/Central Okanagan Public Schools Public Speaking Competition, which was held at the Creekside Theatre in Lake Country. The theme for this year's speeches was "Be the Inspiration". The students in attendance, who received first, second and third place, presented their speeches.

The Board of Education congratulated the students on their accomplishments and expressed appreciation to the Rotary Club of Kelowna for this partnership.

District Student Council – Grade 12 Members

In Attendance:

Vianne Kintzinger, Assistant Superintendent

Students:

Keneisha Charles, Co-President, Grade 12, Rutland Senior Secondary (3 years on DSC)
Matthew Richardson, Grade 12, Kelowna Secondary (3 years on DSC)

Grade 12 Students on the District Student Council (not in attendance) include:

Logan Braun, Co-President, Grade 12, George Elliot Secondary (3 years on DSC)
Nolan Koblichke, Grade 12, George Elliot Secondary (3 years on DSC)
Summer Sharma, Grade 12, Okanagan Mission Secondary (1 year on DSC)
Evan Lee, Grade 12, Central Programs and Services (1 year on DSC)
Jakob Cherrey, Grade 12, Rutland Senior Secondary (1 year on DSC)
Theresa Schwab, Grade 12, Rutland Senior Secondary (1 year on DSC)
Jennifer Dao, Grade 12, Mount Boucherie Secondary (1 year on DSC)
Amy Keller, Grade 12, Mount Boucherie Secondary (1 year on DSC)
Kelly McCombie, Grade 12, Mount Boucherie Secondary (3 years on DSC)

The Board Chairperson, on behalf of the Board of Education, expressed Trustees' appreciation to all the grade 12 students for their commitment and dedication to the District Student Council.

DECLARATIONS

Brain Bright Day – June 18, 2019

The Central Okanagan Board of Education declared June 18, 2019 as 'Brain Bright Day' in Central Okanagan Public Schools.

The City of Kelowna, in partnership with BrainTrust Canada (a non-profit organization), has now committed to proclaiming June 18th as Brain Bright Day. Brain Bright Day is a day to bring awareness to the very preventable brain injury in our youth.

Indigenous Peoples Day – June 21, 2019

The Central Okanagan Board of Education declared June 21, 2019 as 'Indigenous Peoples Day' in Central Okanagan Public Schools.

National Indigenous Peoples Day is a day to recognize and celebrate the cultures and contributions of the First Nations, Inuit and Métis Indigenous peoples of Canada.

6:53 pm: *The meeting recessed.*

6:53 pm: *Keneisha Charles and Matthew Richardson, District Student Council, left the meeting.*

7:00 pm: *The meeting reconvened.*

PUBLIC QUESTIONS/COMMENTS

There were no public questions/comments.

STAFF PRESENTATIONS

Canyon Falls Middle School Update

Presenters: Mitch Van Aller, Director of Operations
Jim Laird, Principal of Canyon Falls Middle School

The contract for the construction of Canyon Falls Middle School was awarded to Greyback Construction in April of 2018. The school will consist of 16 classrooms, 6 maker spaces, home economics, drama, gymnasium and multi-purpose spaces. The staffing of teachers, custodial, support staff and clerical has occurred over the past two months and the staff is excited to start in September. Trustees and senior staff received a guided tour of the site on June 12, 2019.

Superintendent of Schools/CEO Report on Student Achievement 2019

Presenter: Kevin Kaardal, Superintendent of Schools/CEO

The Superintendent of Schools/CEO provided a PowerPoint presentation, highlighting student achievement in 2018/2019. To view the full Superintendent of Schools/CEO – Report on Student Achievement please visit the Central Okanagan Public Schools website at www.sd23.bc.ca under Documents and Publications. The District continues to be a high performing jurisdiction with a BC Graduation rate of 94%.

7:09 pm: Keneisha Charles, District Student Council, rejoined the meeting.

TRUSTEES QUERIES/COMMENTS

Trustee Geistlinger queried if the Davidson Road Elementary PAC will receive responses to their outstanding questions stated in their letter dated May 15, 2019.

The Superintendent of Schools/CEO stated that staff were working on getting the information for the Davidson Road Elementary PAC and will respond once the information is obtained.

Trustee Fraser requested that Trustees from the previous Board be invited to the Grand Opening of Canyon Falls Middle School. Trustee Baxter confirmed that there is a Policy that details who is invited to a new school opening that includes previous trustees.

ACTION ITEMS

2019-2020 CommunityLINK Allocations

(Recommendation from the Finance and Audit Committee – May 15, 2019)

Main

19P-096

MOVED by Trustee Cacchioni, SECONDED by Trustee Fraser,

THAT: The Board of Education approve the recommended CommunityLINK Allocations for 2019/2020, as attached to the Agenda, and as presented at the June 12, 2019 Public Board Meeting.

CARRIED

Main

19P-097

MOVED by Trustee Cacchioni, SECONDED by Trustee Fraser,

THAT: Various provincial Ministries be contacted (Ministry of Education, Ministry of Health, Ministry of Children and Family Development, Ministry of Mental Health and Addictions) to jointly provide additional resources and support for student mental health.

CARRIED

School Fees for 2019-2020

(Recommendation from the Finance and Audit Committee – May 15, 2019)

Main

19P-098

MOVED by Trustee Cacchioni, SECONDED by Trustee Tiede,

THAT: The Board of Education approve the school supply fee increase from \$30/student to \$35/student, effective July 1, 2019.

CARRIED

Community Rental Program Review for the 2019-2020 Fiscal Year

(Recommendation from the Finance and Audit Committee – May 15, 2019)

Main

19P-099

MOVED by Trustee Cacchioni, SECONDED by Trustee Fraser,

THAT: The Board of Education set the community rental rates, as attached to the Agenda, and as presented at the June 12, 2019 Public Board Meeting, effective July 1, 2019.

CARRIED

2020-2021 Five Year Capital Plan Submission

(Recommendation from the Planning and Facilities Committee – May 15, 2019)

The Secretary-Treasurer/CFO stated that a site acquisition for a new Glenmore Secondary School was added to the 2020-2021 Five Year Capital Plan Submission since the May 15, 2019 Planning and Facilities Committee.

Main
19P-100

MOVED by Trustee Fraser, SECONDED by Trustee Desrosiers,

THAT: The Board of Education approve the Capital Plan Resolution for the 2020/2021 Capital Plan as outlined on the attached summary, as attached to the Agenda, and presented at the June 12, 2019 Public Board Meeting.
CARRIED

Enhancement Agreement – Rutland Elementary School Playground
(Recommendation from the Planning and Facilities Committee – May 15, 2019)

Main
19P-101

MOVED by Trustee Fraser, SECONDED by Trustee Desrosiers,

THAT: The Board of Education enter into an Enhancement Agreement with the Rutland Elementary School PAC for the purchase and installation of a new playground, as attached to the Agenda, and as presented at June 12, 2019 Public Board Meeting;

AND THAT: The Board of Education approve a \$40,000 loan be provided to the Rutland Elementary School PAC to assist with the purchase and installation of a new playground, as attached to the Agenda, and as presented at the June 12, 2019 Public Board Meeting.
CARRIED

Enhancement Agreement – Shannon Lake Elementary School Playground
(Recommendation from the Planning and Facilities Committee – May 15, 2019)

Main
19P-102

MOVED by Trustee Fraser, SECONDED by Trustee Desrosiers,

THAT: The Board of Education enter into an Enhancement Agreement with the Shannon Lake Elementary School PAC for the purchase and installation of a new playground, as attached to the Agenda, and as presented at June 12, 2019 Public Board Meeting;

AND THAT: The Board of Education approve a \$50,000 loan be provided to the Shannon Lake Elementary School PAC to assist with the purchase and installation of a new playground, as attached to the Agenda, and as presented at the June 12, 2019 Public Board Meeting.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS/COMMENTS

There were no public questions/comments.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Superintendent's Emergent Issues

The Superintendent of Schools/CEO stated that there were no emergent issues.

Level 4 and 5 Field Study Summary – 2018/2019 and 2019/2020

The Board reviewed the information.

General Statement – May 22, 2019

The Board reviewed the information provided.

Letter of Support – Central Okanagan Family Hub

The Board reviewed the information. Due to this item being time sensitive, the Board of Education approved the letter via email prior to the Public Board Meeting. The Superintendent of Schools stated that, to date, the Central Okanagan Family Hub has raised approximately \$40,000. Their goal is \$100,000 and they are currently working on grant applications.

2019-2020 French Immersion Enrolment Numbers on the Westside

The Board reviewed the information provided. Due to low enrolment, the grade 4 middle French Immersion Program won't run for the 2019-2020 school year. The District will offer the grade 4 middle French Immersion Program again for 2020-2021 school year.

Grant Thornton Report to Finance and Audit Committee – Initial Communication on Audit Planning for the Year Ended June 30, 2019

The Board reviewed the information provided.

Revisions to Regulation 470R – Transportation Services Management (Regulations) Guiding Principles for Transportation in School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan)

The Board reviewed the information provided.

Letter from the Ministry of Education Dated April 12, 2019 – Revisions to the Guidelines for Long-Term Facility Plans

The Board reviewed the information provided.

Learning from the Best What We learned about Improving Aboriginal Student Achievement in High Performing British Columbia School Districts and Band Schools – Thomas Fleming, Editor

The Superintendent of Schools/CEO reported that the excellent work done in our District is featured in this report. The full report is available through the Office of the Superintendent.

BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

Sent: MP Dan Albas, May 17, 2019, Copy of Vaping Letter to Parents
MP Stephen Fuhr, May 17, 2019, Copy of Vaping Letter to Parents
MLA Ashton, May 17, 2019, Copy of Vaping Letter to Parents
MLA Letnick, May 17, 2019, Copy of Vaping Letter to Parents
MLA Thomson, May 17, 2019, Copy of Vaping Letter to Parents
MLA Stewart, May 17, 2019, Copy of Vaping Letter to Parents
City of Kelowna, May 17, 2019, Copy of Vaping Letter to Parents
City of West Kelowna, May 17, 2019, Copy of Vaping Letter to Parents
District of Lake Country, May 17, 2019, Copy of Vaping Letter to Parents
District of Peachland, May 17, 2019, Copy of Vaping Letter to Parents
Minister's R. Fleming, A. Dix, K. Conroy, June 4, 2019, Central Okanagan Family Hub

Received: Davidson Road Elementary PAC, May 15, 2019, H.S. Grenda Middle School
S. Yow, May 24, 2019, Okanagan Indian Band Letter of Appointment to the AEC
R. Volk, June 5, 2019, Bargaining

Main
19P-103

MOVED by Trustee Fraser, SECONDED by Trustee Geistlinger,
THAT: At the June 12, 2019 Public Board Meeting, the Board receive the correspondence listed above.
CARRIED

ITEMS REQUIRING SPECIAL MENTION

Trustees and the Superintendent of Schools/CEO reported on the following:

- Trustees spoke of their attendance at various events including field studies, dance performances, sporting events and Teacher Inquiry presentations.
- The Board expressed appreciation for all the extra events taking place throughout the District at this time of year, and for all the time and effort of staff and community members.
- Last week over 1400 elementary students from 37 schools participated in the **District Elementary Track and Field Meet** held at the Apple Bowl.
- For the first time since 1972, Kelowna hosted the **2019 BC High School Track & Field Championships** at the end of May.

- The June edition of the **Together We Learn** is being distributed to students this week. The theme is "*Inspired to be Awesome*".
- A drive-thru breakfast fundraiser to support the **Central Okanagan Family Hub** is being held on Friday, June 14th, 7:30 am to 9:00 am at Pearson Road Elementary School (700 Pearson Road).

BC PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYERS' ASSOCIATION

There were no BC Public School Employers' Association items.

BC SCHOOL TRUSTEES ASSOCIATION

There were no BC School Trustees Association items.

BOARD MEETINGS WITH PARTNER AND COMMUNITY GROUPS

There were no Board Meetings with Partner and Community Groups to report.

FUTURE MEETINGS

REGULARLY SCHEDULED BOARD MEETINGS

Regular Public Board Meeting

Wednesday, June 26, 2019 at 6:00 p.m., Board Room Main at 1040 Hollywood Road

BOARD STANDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Finance and Audit Committee

Wednesday, June 19, 2019 at 4:00 pm

Planning and Facilities Committee

Wednesday, June 19, 2019 at 6:00 pm

NOTICES OF MOTION

Trustee Fraser:

THAT: The Board of Education support the Etcetera Youth Group by donating \$500 to help our LGBT2Q+ students that is open from each of our 43 schools where they socialize, attend special events, conduct empowerment and healthy relationship discussions;

AND THAT: The Board of Education ask the Superintendent of Schools/CEO to report on the status and work of our schools' Diversity and Harmony Clubs in support of LGBT2Q+ inclusion.

MEDIA QUESTIONS

There were no media questions.

ADJOURNMENT: The Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 7:53 pm.

Chairperson

Secretary-Treasurer/CFO