



"Together We Learn"

School District No. 23
(Central Okanagan)

BOARD OF EDUCATION PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

(Second and Fourth Wednesday of every month, except March, July, August and the fourth Wednesday in December,
at the School Board Office.)

DATE: Wednesday June 12, 2013
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 C. Gorman
Trustee J. Fraser
Trustee M. Pendharkar (*absent*)

Staff:

H. Gloster, Superintendent
L. Paul, Secretary-Treasurer
T. Beaudry, Assistant Superintendent
B. Bertram, Executive Assistant (Recorder)

Partner Group Representatives Attending:

COPAC	Shaun Bos, President (<i>left the meeting at 6:50 pm</i>)
COPVPA	No representative
COTA	Alice Rees – President, Susan Bauhart - President Elect, and April Smith - First Vice-President Elect
CUPE	Wendy Johnson, President
DSC	No representative

ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m.

AGENDA

Main

13P-065 MOVED by Trustee Fraser, SECONDED by Trustee Butler,
THAT: The Agenda for June 12, 2013 be adopted as presented.
CARRIED

MINUTES

Public Board Meeting – May 22, 2013

Main

13P-066 MOVED by Trustee Butler, SECONDED by Trustee Fraser,
THAT: The Minutes of the Public Board Meeting of May 22, 2013 be adopted as distributed.
CARRIED

Special Public Board Meeting – June 5, 2013

Main

13P-067 MOVED by Trustee Gorman, SECONDED by Trustee Butler,
THAT: The Minutes of the Special Public Board Meeting of June 5, 2013 be adopted as distributed.
CARRIED

RECOGNITION/ PRESENTATION/DELEGATIONS

Recognition: Travis Pulleyblank, Grade 12, Kelowna Secondary School - Awarded First Place in British Columbia for the Canadian Chemistry Contest (aimed at the top 10% of Canadian Secondary School Students)

The Board recognized and congratulated Travis Pulleyblank for being awarded first place in British Columbia for the Canadian Chemistry Contest.

Recognition: Dragons' Den Winners

Middle School:

- **1st Place** – "Eco Stars" (Madelyn Degruchy and Summer Fulford) - Dr. Knox
- **2nd Place** – "Lucky 7 (Snug A Bug)" (Nicole Keeler and Ashley Kowal) - Dr. Knox
- **3rd Place** – "Unilock" (Spencer Carr, Dana Christakos, and Hiro Kobayashi) - KLO
- **Innovation** – "Lite Enviro Design" (Jean-Marc Hoffmann, Devan Mick, Sam Morris-Probert and Jake Morris-Probert) - KLO
- **Green Leader** – "Eco Stars" ((Madelyn Degruchy and Summer Fulford) - Dr. Knox
- **Social Leader** – "All Stars" (Harrison Larson and Naved Wasti) - Const. Neil Bruce
- **Trade Show** – "Lucky 7 (Snug A Bug)" (Nicole Keeler and Ashley Kowal) - Dr. Knox

Secondary School:

- **1st Place** – "böx" (Ian Dixon and Courtney Gillatly) - OKM
- **2nd Place** – "Stud Muffins" (Alana Attew, Lara McPhail and Meghan Robinson) - OKM
- **3rd Place** – "F.I.B.L.E.S." (Rebecca Alfred, Daniel Alfred, Lukas Pfob and Zackery Pfob) - OKM
- **Innovation** – "EZ Can" (Thomas Griffith and Logan Ulveland) - KSS
- **Green Leader** – "Bio Sugar Fertilizer" (Kassidy O'Flynn, Arlyn Semeschuk, and Ciara Ryan) - OKM
- **Social Leader** – "F.I.B.L.E.S." (Rebecca Alfred, Daniel Alfred, Lukas Pfob and Zackery Pfob) - OKM
- **Trade Show** – "Bio Sugar Fertilizer" (Kassidy O'Flynn, Arlyn Semeschuk, and Ciara Ryan) - OKM

The Board of Education recognized and congratulated the above students for winning their category in this year's Dragons' Den Young Entrepreneur's competition. A brief history of the Dragon's Den competition was provided.

Presentation: Central Okanagan School District/University of British Columbia Okanagan - Partnership for Pre-Service Teachers

Clara Sulz, Director of Instruction K-12, Donna Kozak, Early Learning/Literacy/CMOS (Collaborative Model of Support) Coordinator, Dr. Leyton Schnellert, Assistant Professor – Faculty of Education, UBCO, and Susan MacNeil, Principal - Pearson Road Elementary School, provided a presentation to the Board on the pilot project for Pre-Service Teachers which took place this year at Pearson Road Elementary School. A total of 62 university students were involved in the pilot with two Pearson Road classrooms dedicated to the pilot. The project was very well received by student teachers (now known as pre-service teachers), classroom teachers and students, and will return to Pearson Road Elementary School in September 2013 for three months.

The Board Chairperson thanked the presenters for the information provided and for their dedication to the project.

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 Fraser

Received a query from a parent regarding the District's position on the Premier's expectations for the newly-appointed Minister of Education which include providing options for online textbooks for parents to assist their children with homework, which would in turn cut textbook production costs, save paper and lighten student backpacks.

The Superintendent responded that the District is involved in the purchase of electronic textbooks, however use is not universal across the District. The option was investigated when the iLearn Project was in place. It was found that publishers felt that the majority of the costs to produce a textbook were in the development of the text rather than in the printing, therefore savings were not as great as expected. A number of secondary students have also indicated that they prefer to have a hard copy of a textbook. As well, it is necessary to ensure equity and access for all students as not every family has online access at home. The move towards online textbooks will be monitored on an ongoing basis.

ACTION ITEMS

Draft Achievement Contract 2013/2014

The Superintendent provided a brief review of the Achievement Contract including the amendments made following the presentation at the June 5, 2013 Education and Student Services Committee Meeting. The format for the Achievement Contract will be reviewed in the coming year.

Main
13P-068

MOVED by Trustee Fraser, SECONDED by Trustee Cacchioni,
THAT: The Board of Education approve the 2013/2014 Achievement Contract, as attached to the agenda and as presented at the June 12, 2013 Public Board Meeting.

Trustees discussed the information provided.

**The question was called on Main Motion 13P-068.
CARRIED**

Ministry Early Learning Transfer Under Agreement

A brief background was provided on the legal Agreement which provides funding for StrongStart Centres and the Ready, Set, Learn initiative.

Main
13P-069

MOVED by Trustee Gorman, SECONDED by Trustee Butler,
**THAT: The Board of Education approve the new Early Learning Transfer Under Agreement with the Ministry of Education, as attached to the agenda and as presented at the June 12, 2013 Public Board Meeting.
CARRIED**

Casorso Elementary School Enhancement Project – Adventure Playground

Main

13P-070

MOVED by Trustee Butler, SECONDED by Trustee Cacchioni,

THAT: The Board of Education approve the District entering into a second School Enhancement Project Funding Agreement with Casorso Elementary School to add additional adventure playground equipment within District standards.

Trustee Butler, Chair of the Planning and Facilities Committee, provided brief background information on the enhancement project which will bring Casorso Elementary School's playground equipment up to the value allowed for a large elementary school.

The question was called on Main Motion 13P-070.

CARRIED

Transportation – Additional Service Routes

Main

13P-071

MOVED by Trustee Butler, SECONDED by Trustee Brinkerhoff,

THAT: The Board of Education waive the requirement in Policy 470 and Regulations 470R “Transportation Services Management” to collect the actual cost for Additional Service Routes and, for the 2013/2014 school year, set the transportation charge for all riders at the level established in Motion 12P-059 (April 25, 2012 Public Board Meeting).

Trustee Butler, Chair of the Planning and Facilities Committee, provided information on the recommendation to waive the requirement to charge actual cost fees for students on Additional Service Routes, which will ensure that all students pay the same fee for using the District's transportation system.

The question was called on Main Motion 13P-071.

CARRIED

2013-2014 CommunityLINK Allocations

Main

13P-072

MOVED by Trustee Butler, SECONDED by Trustee Brinkerhoff,

THAT: The Board of Education approve the Recommended School-based CommunityLINK Allocations 2013-2014, as attached to the agenda and as presented at the June 12, 2012 Public Board Meeting.

Trustee Butler, Trustee Representative on the Health Promoting Schools Committee, provided a brief review of the allocation of funds recommended by the Committee. The Board discussed the information provided.

The question was called on Main Motion 13P-072.

CARRIED

Education Week and the Education Week Breakfast

Trustee Brinkerhoff, Trustee Representative on the Education Week Committee, provided a brief review of the discussion held at the May 14th Education Week Committee Meeting.

Main

13P-073

MOVED by Trustee Brinkerhoff, SECONDED by Trustee Fraser,

THAT: The Board of Education schedule Education Week from March 10 - 14, 2014;

AND THAT: The Board of Education continue with the Education Week Breakfast for the 2014 school year;

AND FURTHER THAT: Schools be encouraged to host events and involve the media, where possible, to promote public education.

Amendment
13P-074

MOVED by Trustee Butler, SECONDED by Trustee Fraser,

THAT: The Board of Education schedule Education Week from March 10 - 14, 2014;

~~AND THAT: The Board of Education continue with the Education Week Breakfast for the 2014 school year;~~

AND FURTHER THAT: Schools be encouraged to host events and involve the media, where possible, to promote public education.

Trustees discussed the effectiveness of the Education Week Breakfast in promoting public education and possible alternatives to the Breakfast that would provide information to the community on the many, varied programs that the Central Okanagan School District offers.

The COTA President expressed an opinion on the topic.

The question was called on Amended Motion 13P-074.

DEFEATED

OPPOSED: Trustee Cacchioni, Trustee Brinkerhoff, Trustee Gorman

The question was called on Main Motion 13P-073.

CARRIED

OPPOSED: Trustee Fraser

Request for Board of Education Letter of Support - 2016 BC Senior Games

Background information was provided on the request for a letter of support from the Board of Education. It is a requirement of the bid process that the host city's School Board must support the concept. Significant support is not being sought from the School District, i.e. busing and accommodation.

Main
13P-075

MOVED by Trustee Fraser, SECONDED by Trustee Brinkerhoff,

THAT: The Board of Education write a letter in support of Kelowna hosting the 2016 BC Senior Games.

The Board discussed the request.

The question was called on Main Motion 13P-075.

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 COTA President expressed appreciation for the professional and considerate manner in which the recent round of bargaining talks were conducted and concluded.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Superintendent's Emergent Issues

None.

Field Trips 2012/2013

The Board reviewed the information provided.

General Statement

BOARD/DISTRICT COMMITTEE REPORTS

Trustee Baxter, a Trustee Representative on the Ad Hoc Policy Review Committee, provided information on the discussion at the recent Committee meeting. Committee recommendations will be brought to the June 26, 2013 Public Board Meeting.

BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

Sent:

Received: Correspondence Directed to the Board

Trustees discussed recent correspondence received from Mr. Reg Volk regarding the timeframe for the Rutland Middle School rebuild and agreed that the emails would be recorded in the Public Board Meeting Minutes as Correspondence Directed to the Board.

The Rutland Middle School rebuild is the District's number one Capital Plan item and has been acknowledged by the Provincial Government as being number one on the District's Capital Plan. The District continues to investigate a suitable site for the rebuild.

Summary of Copies of Letters received by the Board

SD No. 8 (Kootenay Lake), May 15, 2013, to the Minister of Education, BCPSEA and all BC Boards of Education, regarding a fully funded wage increase for employees.

SD No. 5 (Southeast Kootenay), May 16, 2013, press release and background information regarding Carbon Offsets.

SD No. 8 (Kootenay Lake), May 23, 2013, to the Coalition of Child Care Advocates of BC, BCPSEA, the Minister of Education, and all BC Boards of Education, regarding integrated early care and learning.

Okanagan Indian Band, May 29, 2013, regarding representation on the Aboriginal Education Council.

Main
13P-076

MOVED by Trustee Fraser, SECONDED by Trustee Butler,

THAT: At the June 12, 2013 Public Board Meeting, the Board receive the correspondence listed above.

The Board agreed that a letter would be written to the Honourable Peter Fassbender, the new Minister of Education, congratulating him on his new position and inviting him to visit the District to tour school sites and view the many innovative programs offered by the Central Okanagan School District.

Larry Espe, the new Superintendent of Trades and Transitions, will be visiting the District on Tuesday, June 25th.

The question was called on Main Motion 13P-076.
CARRIED

ITEMS REQUIRING SPECIAL MENTION

BC PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYERS' ASSOCIATION

BC SCHOOL TRUSTEES ASSOCIATION

CSBA Congress 2013

Date: July 4 – 6, 2013

Location: Vancouver

FUTURE MEETINGS

REGULARLY SCHEDULED BOARD MEETINGS

Special Public Board Meeting – Tender Award for an Addition to Okanagan Mission Secondary School (CANCELLED)

Wednesday, June 19, 2013, at 3:30 p.m., School Board Office

Regular Public Board Meeting

Wednesday, June 26, 2013, at 6:00 p.m., School Board Office

BOARD STANDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Planning and Facilities

Wednesday, June 19, 2013 at 4:30 pm at the School Board Office

Finance and Legal

Wednesday, June 19, 2013 at 6:30 pm at the School Board Office

BOARD MEETINGS WITH PARTNER AND COMMUNITY GROUPS

Board of Education Meeting with District of Peachland Mayor and Council

DATE: Tuesday, June 25, 2013

NOTICES OF MOTION

ITEMS FOR A FUTURE AGENDA

- Ad Hoc Policy Review Committee Recommendations (*June 26, 2013 Public Board Meeting*)

ADJOURNMENT: The Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 7:38 pm.

Chairperson

Secretary-Treasurer