



**BOARD OF EDUCATION
PUBLIC MEETING
MINUTES**

**Wednesday, October 26, 2022, 6:00 pm
School Board Office
1040 Hollywood Road S
Kelowna, BC**

Board of Education:	Trustee M. Baxter, Chair Trustee N. Bowman Trustee W. Broughton Trustee C. Desrosiers Trustee J. Fraser Trustee A. Geistlinger Trustee L. Tiede
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
Partner Groups	Simon Adams, COPAC President Jasmine Lemon, COPVPA Member at Large Zach Johnson, DSC Co-President, Gr. 12 KSS

There were no representatives from CUPE or COTA

**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 6:00 pm.

AGENDA

Main 22P-157

MOVED by Trustee Broughton

SECONDED by Trustee Fraser

**THAT: The Agenda for the Public Board Meeting of October 26, 2022 be adopted.
CARRIED**

MINUTES

Public Board Meeting - October 12, 2022

Main 22P-158

MOVED by Trustee Geistlinger

SECONDED by Trustee Broughton

**THAT: The Minutes of the Public Board Meeting of October 12, 2022 be adopted as presented.
CARRIED**

CENTRAL OKANAGAN PUBLIC SCHOOLS – "INSIDE 23"

Land-Based Love

April Strickland, Vice-Principal of Indigenous Education, and Jasmine Lemon, Acting Vice-Principal of Indigenous Education, introduced Kevin Kaiser and Kyla Shields, teachers with the Land-Based Learning Program. A video was shown titled "Land-Based Love" which shared some of the student and staff voices around what they find special about the Land-Based Learning Program and what it means to them. The Land-Based Learning Program takes place at École Okanagan Mission Secondary School and currently has 120 middle school students participating.

INTRODUCTION/RECOGNITION

Recognition

Premier's Awards for Excellence in Education

Outstanding New Teacher:

- Rupinder Aujla, Ellison Elementary School (winner)
- Rob Bennett, École Kelowna Secondary School (finalist)
- Carmen McDowell, Rutland Middle School (finalist)

Outstanding Support – School Community:

- Nicole Rishaug, Student Success Team Advocate, Mount Boucherie Secondary School (winner)

The Board of Education recognized the four finalists for their nominations for Premier's Awards for Excellence in Education, and further congratulated Rupinder Aujla and Nicole Rishaug for winning their respective categories. Trustee Moyra Baxter, Superintendent of Schools/CEO Kevin Kaardal and Deputy Superintendent Terry-Lee Beaudry attended the ceremony at Government House in Victoria, BC on October 14th to honour all those nominated.

A short video of each nominee was shown, and Certificates of Recognition were presented.

American Geographical Society

The Board of Education congratulated Tina Clarke, teacher at École Kelowna Secondary School, for being named a 2022 American Geographical Society Fellow. Ms. Clarke will be travelling to New York in November to take part in the Fall Symposium “Geography 2050: The Future of Food”. Ms. Clarke was presented with a Certificate of Recognition and a short video of congratulations from her students was shown.

CHAIR'S REPORT TO THE BOARD

Trustee Moyra Baxter presented the 2022 Chair's Report to the Board. The Report highlighted the events and stories of the 2021/2022 school year, as well as outlined the journey of the Board of Education over the past four years. The Chair's Report to the Board is posted on the Central Okanagan Public Schools website (www.sd23.bc.ca) under Documents & Publications.

Main 22P-159

MOVED by Trustee Broughton

SECONDED by Trustee Fraser

THAT: The Board of Education receive, with thanks, the 2022 Chair's Report to the Board.

CARRIED

RECOGNITION

Recognition of Trustees

Trustee Norah Bowman presented Certificates of Recognition from the British Columbia School Trustees Association (BCSTA) to the following for their service to public education and local governance as part of BCSTA's 2022 Annual General Meeting in Vancouver:

Trustee Lee-Ann Tiede – Two Terms

Trustee Julia Fraser – Three Terms

Trustee Bowman was presented with a gift and a Certificate recognizing her four years of service and dedication to the students of Central Okanagan Public Schools.

Recognition of Board Chair

The Board of Education recognized Trustee Moyra Baxter for her commitment to public education over the past 26 years. Trustee Baxter was presented with a gift and a Certificate from the BCSTA recognizing her as a Lifetime Member. A video was shown of students at Peachland Elementary School offering their 'advice for retirement' to Trustee Baxter. On behalf of the District, a bear statue was provided to Trustee Baxter by the Superintendent of Schools/CEO in recognition of her retirement.

PUBLIC QUESTION/COMMENT PERIOD

There were no public questions/comments.

ACTION ITEMS

Annual Integrated Pest Management Report

Recommendation of the Planning and Facilities Committee Meeting – October 5, 2022.

Main 22P-160

MOVED by Trustee Desrosiers

SECONDED by Trustee Bowman

THAT: The Board of Education accept the Annual Integrated Pest Management Report as the Annual Report required in Policy 620 – Integrated Pest Management (IPM), as attached to the Agenda and presented at the October 26, 2022 Public Board Meeting.
CARRIED

Amendments to Policy 245 – Recruitment of Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent and Secretary-Treasurer

Recommendation of the Policy Committee – October 5, 2022.

Main 22P-161

MOVED by Trustee Tiede

SECONDED by Trustee Broughton

THAT: The Board of Education approve the amendments to Policy 245 – Recruitment of Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent and Secretary-Treasurer, as attached to the Agenda, and as presented at the October 26, 2022 Public Board Meeting.
CARRIED

PUBLIC QUESTION/COMMENT PERIOD

There were no public questions/comments.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Superintendent's Emergent Issues

The Superintendent of Schools/CEO advised that the broadcasting of Public Board Meetings will commence on November 9, 2022, for the Board of Education Swearing-In Ceremony and Inaugural Meeting. The broadcasting of Board Standing Committee meetings will be the decision of the Chair of the Committee.

Level 4 and 5 Field Study Summary – 2022/2023

The Board reviewed the information.

General Statement – October 12, 2022

The Board reviewed the information.

Childcare Spaces – Construction Update

The Board reviewed the information and District staff answered queries from Trustees.

Financial Update – September 30, 2022

The Board reviewed the information.

Ministry of Education and Child Care 2022/2023 Operating Grant Summary Tables

The Board reviewed the information.

BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

Sent: None

Received:

- 2022-10-03: Email from Kootnekoff family re: School Board Trustee Candidates Forum October 3, 2022.
- 2022-10-07: Email from COTA President S. Bauhart re: another teacher (T. Clarke) honoured
- 2022-10-14: Email from M. Brisson re: SOGI
- 2022-10-14: Email from T. Beckley re: Sanctuary Schools Policy

- 2022-10-07 to 2022-10-15: Emails from D. Buckna (Oreo Pagus) re civic election issues / City of Kelowna issues

Main 22P-162

MOVED by Trustee Fraser

SECONDED by Trustee Tiede

THAT: At the October 26, 2022 Public Board Meeting, the Board receive the correspondence listed above.

CARRIED

ITEMS REQUIRING SPECIAL MENTION

The Superintendent of Schools/CEO extended a thank you to Barb Huva and the COTA Professional Development Committee for organizing the professional development sessions for teachers held last Friday throughout the District, as well as the leaders of Provincial Specialist Associations who also provided educational learning opportunities – both locally and throughout the Province.

Trustee Baxter advised of two upcoming events:

- Wednesday, November 2, 2022, is Take Our Kids to Work Day
- Central Okanagan Public Schools is hosting a Dual Credit Information Night on Tuesday, November 15, 2022 at École Kelowna Secondary School commencing at 5:30 pm.

BC SCHOOL TRUSTEES ASSOCIATION

Trustee Orientation and Academy

December 1-3, 2022: Westin Bayshore, Vancouver, BC

FUTURE MEETINGS

Swearing In Ceremony and Inaugural Board Meeting

Wednesday, November 9, 2022, 6:00 pm, Board Room Main at 1040 Hollywood Road South

Regularly Scheduled Board Meetings

To be scheduled at Inaugural Meeting on November 9, 2022.

Board Standing Committee Meetings

To be scheduled at Inaugural Meeting on November 9, 2022.

NOTICES OF MOTION

Trustee Geistlinger:

THAT: The Board of Education send letters to the Province of BC and Federal Government requesting they address the safety issues along Highway 97 (the Crystal Waters Road section), noting that it impacts the ability for Central Okanagan Public Schools to provide busing to students living on Crystal Waters Road.

ITEMS FOR A FUTURE AGENDA

There were no items for a future agenda.

MEDIA QUESTIONS

There were no media questions

ADJOURNMENT

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 7:42 pm.

Chair

Secretary-Treasurer/CFO