



"Together We Learn"

School District No. 23
(Central Okanagan)

BOARD OF EDUCATION PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

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

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

DATE: Wednesday, February 24, 2016

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 R. Cacchioni

Trustee J. Fraser

Trustee C. Gorman (*absent*)

Trustee L. Mossman

Trustee L. Tiede

Staff:

K. Kaardal, Superintendent of Schools/CEO

L. Paul, Secretary-Treasurer

T. Beaudry, Assistant Superintendent

M. Essler, Executive Assistant

B. Bertram, Executive Assistant (Recorder)

H. Wendt, Executive Assistant

Partner Group Representatives Attending:

COPAC Shelley Courtney, President

COPVPA No representative

COTA Susan Bauhart, President

CUPE No representative

DSC No representative

ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:07 p.m.

AGENDA

Additions/Amendments/Deletions

Main

16P-034

MOVED by Trustee Fraser, SECONDED by Trustee Mossman,

**THAT: The Agenda for the February 24, 2016 Public Board Meeting be adopted as presented.
CARRIED**

MINUTES

Public Board Meeting – February 10, 2016

Main

16P-035

MOVED by Trustee Butler, SECONDED by Trustee Fraser,

**THAT: The Minutes of the Public Board Meeting of February 10, 2016 be adopted as distributed.
CARRIED**

RECOGNITION/ PRESENTATION/DELEGATIONS

Presentation: “Inside 23”

Mikayla Spence, Central Schools Graduate, Student Author

Curtis Schreiber, Central School Programs Principal, introduced Mikayla Spence, student author and former graduate of Central Schools. Ms. Spence provided the Board with a brief history of the development of her published book entitled “The Prince S”.

Presentations of Learning through Independent Projects: Rutland Elementary School

In attendance: Laurie Sinclair, Learning Assistance Teacher, Heather Baptie, District Literacy Coordinator, Erin Burton, Classroom Teacher, Jessica Anjos, Vice-Principal, James Minkus, Principal, and Katana Schroeder, Grade 3 student. Rutland Elementary School Staff provided information to the Board on the Learning through Independent Projects initiative taking place at the school. Students are asked to participate in a project designed around the idea of answering a question in an area of interest. Students research their topic using many forms of media, and then develop a presentation. Katana Schroeder provided Trustees with her Independent Project presentation on Robert Bateman.

6:36 pm – The meeting was recessed.

6:41 pm – The meeting was reconvened.

Bullying Awareness (Pink Shirt) Day, February 24,2016

The Board Chair recognized and declared that today was “Pink Shirt Day” throughout the Central Okanagan School District.

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 Cacchioni

Advised that Lindsay Gibson, former Kelowna Secondary Teacher, has been involved in the development of a new card game, entitled “Time Shuffle”, which introduces students to some of the most historically significant events in Chinese Canadian history, and was developed to help students understand the chronological sequence of events during that time. This resource was developed for the Ministry of International Trade and Minister Responsible for Asia Pacific Strategy and Multiculturalism by Open School BC, the Ministry of Education in partnership with the Royal BC Museum, the Legacy Initiatives Advisory Council, and BC teachers, and is part of Bamboo Shoots: Chinese Canadian Legacies in BC. These are being used as part of the Grade 5 to 10 curriculum.

Trustee Fraser

Queried whether the District Basketball Free Throw Competition is ever held at a public school.

Trustee Cacchioni provided the information that the competition is hosted by the Knights of Columbus and is always held at a private school; however, the event is open to all students in the Central Okanagan.

Trustee Fraser

Queried whether the meeting recess normally called after Recognition/Presentation/Delegations (to allow presenters to leave the meeting) could be called after the first Public/Question Comment Period instead, which would provide presenters with the opportunity to comment on any of the agenda items.

The Board Chair acknowledged that the meeting recess could be called after the Public/Question Comment Period.

ACTION ITEMS

Board/Authority Authorized (BAA) Course Proposal – Yoga & Wellness 12

Main
16P-036

MOVED by Trustee Tiede, SECONDED by Trustee Butler,
THAT: The Board of Education approve the Board/Authority Authorized (BAA) Course Proposal – Yoga & Wellness 12 (Kelowna Secondary School), as attached to the Agenda and as presented at the February 24, 2016 Public Board Meeting.
CARRIED

Policy 520 – Cultural Performances, and Form 525.2 – Field Trip Parent Permission Form

Main
16P-037

MOVED by Trustee Tiede, SECONDED by Trustee Fraser,
THAT: The Board of Education approve the amendments to Policy 520 – Cultural Performances, as attached to the Agenda and as presented at the February 24, 2016 Public Board Meeting;
AND THAT: The Board of Education affirm Form 525.2 – Field Trip Parent Permission Form, as attached to the Agenda and as presented at the February 24, 2016 Public Board Meeting.
CARRIED

Per Bill 11 – 2015: Education Statutes Amendment Act; Rescind Policy 710 – School Planning Councils, 710A – School Planning Councils (Appendix), and 710R – School Planning Councils (Regulations)

Main
16P-038

MOVED by Trustee Butler, SECONDED by Trustee Mossman,
THAT: Policy 710 – School Planning Councils, 710A – School Planning Councils (Appendix), and 710R – School Planning Councils (Regulations) be rescinded;
AND THAT: All Board Policies which contain a reference to School Planning Councils be amended as appropriate.

Rescinding the Policy, Appendix and Regulations aligns the District with the removal of School Planning Councils as stipulated in Bill 11. There are currently ten School District Policies that make reference to School Planning Councils. The wording in these policies will be amended once a plan has been solidified for a new school planning process. A draft of the new plan is anticipated to be presented at the March 2nd Public Meeting of the General Affairs Committee. The amended and/or new policies will be brought forward for Trustee and Partner Group discussion per the standard procedure for policy approval.

MAIN 16P-038
CARRIED

Request for Endorsement: Bike RightBC

Main
16P-039

MOVED by Trustee Butler, SECONDED by Trustee Tiede,
THAT: The Board of Education send a letter of support for the Bike Right Provincial Youth Cycling Framework, as attached to the Agenda and as presented at the February 24, 2016 Public Board Meeting.
CARRIED

Installation of a Streetlight at the School Bus Stop at the Corner of Udell Road and Westside Road

Main
16P-040

MOVED by Trustee Fraser, SECONDED by Trustee Mossman,
THAT: The Board of Education send a letter of support to the Regional District of Central Okanagan and to the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure for the installation of a streetlight at the school bus stop at the corner of Udell Road and Westside Road.

Trustee Fraser, Chair of the Planning and Facilities Committee, provided information on the Motion as discussed at the Committee level.

MAIN 16P-040
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.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Superintendent of Schools/CEO's Emergent Issues

The Superintendent of Schools/CEO had no emergent issues to report.

Field Trips 2015/2016

The Board reviewed the information provided.

General Statement

The Board reviewed the information provided.

BOARD/DISTRICT COMMITTEE REPORTS

The next French Immersion Task Force Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 10th, 4:30 pm – 7:30 pm, at Kelowna Secondary School.

The Public Education Awareness Committee is beginning work on the second newspaper edition of the Capital News "Together We Learn" insert which is anticipated to be distributed by the end of May 2016. This edition will focus on student transitions, e.g. moving from Kindergarten to Grade 1, Grade 3 to Grade 4, middle to secondary, and finally, graduation.

BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

Sent:

Received: Correspondence Directed to the Board

Summary of Copies of Letters received by the Board

SD No. 20 (Kootenay-Columbia), February 1, 2016, to the Minister of Finance, Minister of Education, local area MLAs, and all BC Boards of Education, regarding exempt staff compensation.

SD No. 72 (Campbell River), February 3, 2016, to the Minister of Education, the Minister of Finance, the Premier, local area MLAs and Partner Groups, and all BC Boards of Education, regarding funding shortfalls.

SD No. 19 (Revelstoke), February 4, 2016, to the Minister of Education, BCTF, local area MLAs, and all BC Boards of Education, regarding implementation of the Redesigned Curriculum.

SD No. 5 (Southeast Kootenay), February 10, 2016, to local Mayors and Council, the Premier, the Minister of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations, and all BC Boards of Education, expressing support for provincial funding for control of wildlife.

SD No. 40 (New Westminster), February 12, 2016, to all BC Boards of Education, in support of a repeal of Section 43 of the Criminal Code of Canada.

Main
16P-041

MOVED by Trustee Fraser, SECONDED by Trustee Mossman,
THAT: At the February 24, 2016, Public Board Meeting, the Board receive the correspondence listed above.
CARRIED

ITEMS REQUIRING SPECIAL MENTION

Pink Shirt Day Breakfast

The Superintendent of Schools/CEO acknowledged and thanked the many partner group representatives who attended the Pink Shirt Day Breakfast in support of kindness and respect, hosted by Okanagan Boys and Girls Clubs.

Grade 9 Girls Provincial Basketball Tournament

Date: February 25 – 27, 2016

Location: Immaculata Regional High School and Dr. Knox Middle School

Sister City Celebrations: Haruhigaoka Junior High School's annual visit to Constable Neil Bruce Middle School and Glenrosa Middle School

(70 students and six teachers will be visiting from February 25 - 29)

Date: February 26, 2016

Location: Constable Neil Bruce Middle School – Assembly at 9:30 am
Glenrosa Middle School – Assembly at 1:00 pm

Roy Henry Vickers and Robert Budd, Award Winning Canadian Authors - Evening Event

Date: March 2, 2016

Time: 7:00 pm

Location: Third Space Coffee, Landmark 2, 1708 Dolphin Avenue

This event is hosted by the Central Okanagan Teacher Librarians' Local Specialist Association who annually bring in world-class, award winning authors to present to students, and who also provide an evening presentation open to the public.

Grade 9 Boys Provincial Basketball Tournament

Date: March 3 - 5, 2016

Location: Dr. Knox Middle School, Rutland Senior Secondary School, Rutland Middle School, and Springvalley Middle School

COPAC Parent Presentation – The FORCE Presentation of Friends for Life Program

Date: March 10, 2016

Time: 6:30 pm

Location: Hollywood Road Education Services

BC PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYERS' ASSOCIATION

BC SCHOOL TRUSTEES ASSOCIATION

BCSTA Provincial Council Meeting – February 19 and 20, 2016

Trustee Baxter, the Board's alternate BCSTA Provincial Council Representative, reported that the Central Okanagan School District's Motion to Provincial Council, *that BCSTA urge the Ministry of Education to pay for costs incurred by School Districts for the modest, differentiated increases for Principals and Vice-Principals recently approved by the Public Sector Employers' Council (PSEC)*, was passed at the Provincial Council Meeting.

BCSTA Thompson Okanagan Branch Meeting

Date: February 26 & 27, 2016

Location: Salmon Arm

BCSTA AGM

Date: April 14 – 17, 2016

Location: Vancouver

FUTURE MEETINGS

REGULARLY SCHEDULED BOARD MEETINGS

Regular Public Board Meeting

Wednesday, March 9, 2016 at 6:00 p.m., School Board Office

Regular Public Board Meeting

Wednesday, April 13, 2016 at 6:00 p.m., School Board Office

BOARD STANDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Human Resources and Staff Services (NOTE: THIS MEETING HAS BEEN CANCELLED)

Wednesday, March 2, 2016 at 4:30 pm at the School Board Office

General Affairs

Wednesday, March 2, 2016 at 6:00 pm at the School Board Office

BOARD MEETINGS WITH PARTNER AND COMMUNITY GROUPS

Board of Education Meeting with local MPs

DATE: Thursday, April 7, 2016

Board of Education Meeting with Westbank First Nation Chief and Council

DATE: Monday, April 11, 2016

Board of Education Meeting with local MLAs

DATE: Monday, April 18, 2016

Board of Education Meeting with the Central Okanagan Teachers' Association

DATE: Thursday, April 21, 2016

Board of Education Meeting with Peachland Mayor and Council

DATE: Tuesday, June 14, 2016

NOTICES OF MOTION

ITEMS FOR A FUTURE AGENDA

ADJOURNMENT: The Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 7:10 pm.

Chairperson

Secretary-Treasurer