



**Central Okanagan
Public Schools**

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CENTRAL OKANAGAN PUBLIC SCHOOLS - BOARD COMMITTEE REPORT

**Planning and Facilities Committee
Public Meeting**

Wednesday, October 6, 2021, 6:00 pm

School Board Office (must pre-register) or Zoom (for public observation)

1040 Hollywood Road S.

Kelowna, BC

- Board of Education: Trustee C. Desrosiers, Chairperson
Trustee W. Broughton, Committee Member
Trustee L. Tiede, Committee Member
Trustee M. Baxter
Trustee J. Fraser
- Staff: Mitch Van Aller, Director of Operations
Delta Carmichael, Acting Secretary-Treasurer
Kevin Kaardal, Superintendent of Schools/CEO
Terry Beaudry, Deputy Superintendent of Schools
Michelle DesRochers, Executive Assistant (recorder)
- Partner Groups: David Tether, CUPE President
Sarena Smith, COPAC Member-at-Large
Ryan Ward, COPVPA Middle School Rep
Zach Johnson, DSC - Grade 11 at KSS
- There was no representative from the COTA.*

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

AGENDA

Move Discussion/Information Item 6.2 Okanagan Mission Catchment and School Reopening Review - Update to Discussion/Action Item 5.3

Move Discussion/Information Item 6.3 Westside Catchment and French Immersion Programming Review - Update to Discussion/Action Item 5.4

Add Materials for Discussion/Action Items 5.3 and 5.4

Add second Public Question/Comment Period after Discussion/Action Items

October 7, 2021 Committee Agenda - approved as amended.

REPORTS/MATTERS ARISING

Planning and Facilities Committee Public Meeting Report - September 1, 2021

September 1, 2021 Committee Report - received as distributed.

PUBLIC QUESTION/COMMENT PERIOD

The following people expressed concerns with the Okanagan Mission Catchment and School Re-Opening Review regarding possible implications on the considerations presented in the ThoughtExchange survey and communication issues throughout the process:

- Kyla Van Eck
- Kyla Bresch
- Trudi Trask

COMMITTEE MEMBERS QUERIES/COMMENTS

Committee members discussed the following:

- Surveys going out to all parents, not just family of schools. The Committee Chair stated that the surveys were intentionally sent to the family of schools that would be affected. It was also noted that the surveys were posted on the District's website and any parent/community member could have participated.
- Adding correspondence received related to the Okanagan Mission Catchment and School Reopening Review to Committee Correspondence. The Committee Chair agreed.
- Organizing Zoom meetings to improve communication relating to both public consultations. Staff will review the feedback and schedule meetings as needed.

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

Annual Integrated Pest Management Report

The Director of Operations stated that as per Board Policy 620 - Integrated Pest Management, a report is to be provided to the Board on the effectiveness of the pesticide management program. It was confirmed that the District does not use any chemicals for pest control.

The Director of Operations provided an overview of the Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Report. The IPM Report outlines the mowing, field repair, weeding/mulching, trees/pruning, irrigation, and grounds projects completed from October 2020 to October 2021.

Outcome:

The Planning and Facilities Committee recommended to the Board:

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 6, 2021 Planning and Facilities Committee Public Meeting.

Enhancement Agreement - École Belgo Elementary School GaGa Ball Court

The Director of Operations stated that the École Belgo Elementary School Parent Advisory Council (PAC) wishes to enter into an Enhancement Agreement with the Board of Education to install a GaGa Ball Court. The PAC will fully fund the supply and installation of the GaGa Ball Court and District staff will complete the work.

Outcome:

The Planning and Facilities Committee recommended to the Board:

THAT: The Board of Education enter into an Enhancement Agreement with the École Belgo Elementary School PAC for the creation of a GaGa Ball Court, as attached to the Agenda, and as presented at the October 6, 2021 Planning and Facilities Committee Meeting.

Okanagan Mission Catchment and School Reopening Review - Update

The Acting Secretary-Treasurer provided an update on the Okanagan Mission Catchment and School Reopening Review. Survey I closed on September 30, 2021 and had 614 participants that provided 639 thoughts with 13,840 star ratings assigned. Staff outlined a revised timeline that would include the considerations presented to the Planning and Facilities Committee on Tuesday, November 16, 2021, a survey on the recommendations occurring between November 17 through to December 4, 2021, and a public engagement session at the end of November. The Board of Education would still make their decision by the end of January 2022.

Outcomes:

The Planning and Facilities Committee approved the revised timeline for the Okanagan Mission catchment and school reopening review, as attached to the Agenda, and as presented at the October 6, 2021 Planning and Facilities Committee Meeting.

The Planning and Facilities Committee agreed to send the revised timeline for the Okanagan Mission catchment and school reopening review to the Board as an information item.

Westside Catchment and French Immersion Programming Review - Update

The Acting Secretary-Treasurer provided an update on the Westside catchment and French Immersion programming Review. Survey I closed on September 30, 2021 and had 549 participants that provided 533 thoughts with 11,698 star ratings assigned. Staff outlined a revised timeline that would include the considerations presented to the Planning and Facilities Committee on Tuesday, November 16, 2021, a survey on the recommendations occurring between November 17 through to December 4, 2021, and a public engagement session at the end of November. The Board of Education would still make their decision by the end of January 2022.

Outcomes:

The Planning and Facilities Committee approved the revised timeline for the Westside catchment and French Immersion programming review, as attached to the Agenda, and as presented at the October 6, 2021 Planning and Facilities Committee Meeting.

The Planning and Facilities Committee agreed to send the revised timeline for the Westside catchment and French Immersion programming review to the Board as an information item.

DISCUSSION/INFORMATION ITEMS

Transportation Services Update

The Director of Operations provided an update on Transportation services. As of September 10, 2021, the Transportation Department processed 5,335 applications for regular bus service, 1,360 applications for other services (less than 2 kms, school of choice, second pass, etc.), 332 applications had been received since September 7, 2021. In total, 7,027 school bus applications were received since February 16, 2021.

The Director of Operations reported that all elementary school students, on the waitlist as courtesy riders, will be assigned a seat.

Commendations were provided to the entire Transportation Department for all their hard work in assigning students to bus routes for the 2021-2022 school year.

In response to a question from a Committee member, the Director of Operations confirmed that the District has ongoing conversations with local municipalities to increase public transportation for high school students.

The Director of Operations shared that electric buses have been implemented for the 2021-2022 school year and feedback from both drivers and students has been positive. The District looks forward to receiving another electric school bus in early 2022.

PUBLIC QUESTION/COMMENT PERIOD

The following people asked clarifying questions related to the Okanagan Mission catchment and school reopening review timeline:

- Kyla Van Eck
- Trudi Trask

COMMITTEE CORRESPONDENCE

Received:

S. Brisbois, October 5, 2021, Questions for Planning and Facilities Committee Re Okanagan Mission Catchment and School Reopening Review

École Dorothea Walker Elementary School PAC President, October 6, 2021, Response to Questions for Planning and Facilities Committee Re Okanagan Mission Catchment and School Reopening Review

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

Public Board Meeting - October 13, 2021

- Okanagan Mission Catchment and School Reopening Review - Update (*Information*)
- Westside Catchment and French Immersion Programming Review - Update (*Information*)

Future Public Board Meeting

- Annual Integrated Pest Management Report (*Action*)
- Enhancement Agreement - École Belgo Elementary School GaGa Ball Court (*Action*)
- Transportation Services Update (*Information*)

ITEMS FOR FUTURE PLANNING AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE MEETINGS

- School Bus Safety Including: Seat Belts

November

- Considerations for Okanagan Mission Catchment and School Reopening Review
- Considerations for Westside Catchment and French Immersion Programming Review

January

- Annual Review of Committee's Mandate, Purpose and Function
- Staff Recommendations for Okanagan Mission Catchment and School Reopening Review
- Staff Recommendations for Westside Catchment and French Immersion Programming Review

February

- Annual Facility Grant (AFG) Plan

May

- Transportation Update
- Capital Plan Submission

June

- Energy & Sustainability Presentation

FUTURE PLANNING AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE MEETINGS

All meetings start at 6:00 pm unless otherwise noted.

Tuesday, November 16, 2021 (please note date change)

MEDIA QUESTIONS

There were no media questions.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:47 pm.

Questions - Please Contact:

Trustee Desrosiers, Chairperson at 250-718-6303 or Chantelle.Desrosiers@sd23.bc.ca

Mitch Van Aller, Director of Operations at 250-870-5150 or Mitch.Vanaller@sd23.bc.ca

Chantelle Desrosiers, Chairperson