



**Central Okanagan
Public Schools**
Together We Learn

BOARD OF EDUCATION

PUBLIC MEETING

MINUTES

Wednesday, December 13, 2023, 6:00 pm

School Board Office

1040 Hollywood Road S

Kelowna, BC

Board of Education: Trustee L. Tiede, Chair
Trustee W. Broughton
Trustee C. Desrosiers
Trustee J. Fraser
Trustee A. Geistlinger (*left meeting at 7:07 pm*)
Trustee L. Guderyan
Trustee V. Johnson

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 (Recorder)

Partner Groups: Chris Oakes, COPVPA Executive
Nicola Baker, COPAC President
Daisy Smith, DSC Representative
Susan Bauhart, COTA President (*by Zoom, joined meeting at 6:20 pm*)

There was no representative from CUPE.

**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 6:04 pm.

AGENDA

Main 23P-139

MOVED by Trustee Fraser

SECONDED by Trustee Geistlinger

THAT: The Agenda for the Public Board Meeting of December 13, 2023 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

MINUTES

Public Board Meeting - November 22, 2023

Main 23P-140

MOVED by Trustee Broughton

SECONDED by Trustee Desrosiers

THAT: The Minutes of the Public Board Meeting of December 13, 2023 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

CENTRAL OKANAGAN PUBLIC SCHOOLS – "INSIDE 23"

Student Exchange - Haruhigaoka Junior High

In attendance:

Adrian Zuyderduyn, Vice-Principal Constable Neil Bruce Middle School

Students:

- Emily Loverock (Grade 8, Constable Neil Bruce Middle School)
- Sam York (Grade 8, Constable Neil Bruce Middle School)
- Jeannine Clark (Grade 9, École Glenrosa Middle School)
- Jonah Nouisser (Grade 9, École Glenrosa Middle School)

Four students from Westside middle schools (École Glenrosa Middle and Constable Neil Bruce Middle) traveled to the District's sister school in Kasugai, Japan from November 3-12, 2023 to take part in a cultural exchange at Haruhigaoka Junior High School. The four students had a fantastic cultural experience. They attended school all week and had a wonderful homestay experience with the families of some of the Grade 9 students. In February 2024, the two Westside middle schools will host 110 students and 8 staff from Haruhigaoka Junior High School, their first visit to Canada since 2019.

6:20 pm: The COTA President joined the meeting by Zoom.

MEETING RECESS

The meeting recessed at 6:31 pm.

The meeting reconvened at 6:35 pm.

PUBLIC QUESTION/COMMENT PERIOD

There were no public questions/comments.

TRUSTEE QUERIES/COMMENTS

Trustee Fraser shared that she was pleased about the announcement from the Ministry of Education and Child Care on the funding of 5 pre-fabricated classrooms for North Glenmore Elementary School, to be ready by September of 2024.

ACTION ITEMS

2023/2024 and 2024/2025 Budget Timeline and Budget Development Principles

Recommendation from the Finance and Audit Committee Meeting – November 15, 2023.

Main 23P-141

MOVED by Trustee Broughton

SECONDED by Trustee Guderyan

THAT: The Board of Education approve the 2023/2024 and 2024/2025 Budget Timeline as presented at the December 13, 2023 Public Board meeting.

CARRIED

École Dr. Knox Middle School - Golf Academy Fee Increase

Recommendation from the Education and Student Services Committee Meeting – November 29, 2023.

Main 23P-142

MOVED by Trustee Guderyan

SECONDED by Trustee Johnson

THAT: The Board of Education approve the proposed fee increase of \$100 (from \$400 to \$500/student) for the Golf Academy (École Dr. Knox Middle School), as attached to the

**Agenda, and as presented at the December 13, 2023 Public Board Meeting.
CARRIED**

Proposal for Substantive Change - Outdoor Education Academy (École Glenrosa Middle School)

Recommendation from the Education and Student Services Committee Meeting – November 29, 2023.

Main 23P-143

MOVED by Trustee Guderyan

SECONDED by Trustee Johnson

THAT: The Board of Education approve the Proposal for Substantive Change - Outdoor Education Academy (École Glenrosa Middle School), as attached to the Agenda, and as presented at the December 13, 2023 Public Board Meeting.

CARRIED

Proposal to Expand The Canadian Index for Adolescent Health Upstream Project Survey as Developed by the Canadian Observatory on Homelessness (COH) at York University

Main 23P-144

MOVED by Trustee Guderyan

SECONDED by Trustee Fraser

THAT: The Board of Education approves all Grade 8 student participation in the Upstream Project as funding for expansion of the program becomes available.

CARRIED

Enrollment Application Dates for 2024/2025 School Year

Main 23P-145

MOVED by Trustee Johnson

SECONDED by Trustee Desrosiers

THAT: The initial enrollment application dates for the 2024/2025 school year be set as January 29, 2024 at 7:00 am through to March 15, 2024;

AND THAT: The closing date of enrollment applications, in order to apply the Board's enrollment application priorities as established in Regulation 405R – *Student Placement*

(Regulations), be set as August 29, 2024.

CARRIED

Amended Capital Plan Bylaw No. 2023/24 CPSD23-03 (Food Infrastructure Program)

Recommendation from the Planning and Facilities Committee meeting - December 6, 2023.

Main 23P-146

MOVED by Trustee Fraser

SECONDED by Trustee Desrosiers

THAT: The Board of Education give first reading to Amended Capital Plan Bylaw No. 2023/24 – CPSD23-03.

CARRIED

Main 23P-147

MOVED by Trustee Fraser

SECONDED by Trustee Desrosiers

THAT: The Board of Education give second reading to Amended Capital Plan Bylaw No. 2023/24 – CPSD23-03.

CARRIED

Main 23P-148

MOVED by Trustee Fraser

SECONDED by Trustee Desrosiers

THAT: The Board of Education give all three readings to Amended Capital Plan Bylaw No. 2023/24 – CPSD23-03 at the December 13, 2023 Public Board Meeting.

CARRIED

Main 23P-149

MOVED by Trustee Fraser

SECONDED by Trustee Desrosiers

THAT: The Board of Education give third reading and adopt Amended Capital Plan Bylaw No. 2023/24-CPSD23-03.

CARRIED

Amended Capital Plan Bylaw No. 2023/24-CPSD23-04 (North Glenmore Elementary School)

Recommendation from the Planning and Facilities Committee meeting - December 6, 2023.

Main 23P-150

MOVED by Trustee Fraser

SECONDED by Trustee Desrosiers

THAT: The Board of Education give first reading to Amended Capital Plan Bylaw No. 2023/24 – CPSD23-04.

CARRIED

Main 23P-151

MOVED by Trustee Fraser

SECONDED by Trustee Desrosiers

THAT: The Board of Education give second reading to Amended Capital Plan Bylaw No. 2023/24 – CPSD23-04.

CARRIED

Main 23P-152

MOVED by Trustee Fraser

SECONDED by Trustee Desrosiers

THAT: The Board of Education give all three readings to Amended Capital Plan Bylaw No. 2023/24 – CPSD23-04 at the December 13, 2023 Public Board Meeting.

CARRIED

Main 23P-153

MOVED by Trustee Fraser

SECONDED by Trustee Desrosiers

THAT: The Board of Education give third reading and adopt Amended Capital Plan Bylaw No. 2023/24 – CPSD23-04.

CARRIED

INFORMATION ITEMS

Superintendent's Emergent Issues

None

Level 4 and 5 Field Study Summary - 2023/2024

The Board reviewed the information.

General Statement – November 22, 2023

The Board reviewed the information.

Statement of Financial Information for June 30, 2023

The Board reviewed the information.

Central Okanagan Public Schools Approved Board/Authority Authorized (BAA) Course List - November 2023

The Board reviewed the information.

Amended Policy 388 - Public Interest Disclosure Act

The Board reviewed the information.

ADVOCACY

The Board Chair shared that following the BCSTA Advocacy Day on October 19, 2023, all Board Chairs received an Advocacy Toolkit. The Toolkit will be shared with the Board of Education through the General Affairs Committee.

The Superintendent of Schools/CEO advised that the advocacy work of senior staff and the Board of Education is proving to be effective and showing results. Rutland Middle School is now on the "additions" list with the Ministry of Education and Child Care to receive an upgrade. Three new school construction builds have been awarded to the District in the last 8 years.

BOARD/DISTRICT COMMITTEE QUERIES/COMMENTS AND REPORTS

- Trustee Desrosiers attended the District's Public Education Awareness Committee meeting and advised that another edition of "Together We Learn" will be coming out shortly.
- Trustee Johnson and Trustee Desrosiers attended the District Human Rights Committee meeting where they reviewed the Accessibility Survey questions.
- Trustee Geistlinger attended the District Student Council meeting where portables and bussing was discussed. Trustee Geistlinger commended the students for taking the initiative of sending an invitation to Kelowna Transit to join them in a discussion on their bussing concerns.

BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

Received:

- 2023-11-17 Email from V. Krisp re: a request for support
- 2023-11-20 Email from MLA Albas re: invitation to meet

Sent:

- 2023-11-23 Letter to COPAC re: invitation to meet
- 2023-11-23 Letter to Indigenous Education Council re: Trustee representatives

Main 23P-154

MOVED by Trustee Geistlinger

SECONDED by Trustee Fraser

THAT: At the December 13, 2023 Public Board Meeting, the Board receive the correspondence listed above.

CARRIED

ITEMS REQUIRING SPECIAL MENTION

Trustees and the Superintendent of Schools/CEO spoke of the following:

- Attendance at various meetings and events throughout the District, including concerts, the Operations Department Annual Staff Holiday Luncheon, the International Education Model UN Positional Paper Student Presentations at the Mary Irwin Theatre, the Rutland Secondary School Queer Straight Alliance event, and carnivals.
- Congratulations to the AAA Senior Boys and AAAA Senior Girls volleyball teams at École Kelowna Secondary School for winning their respective Provincial Championships. This is the first time in BC School Sports history that one school has won both championships in the same year. The teams will be invited to a future Public Board Meeting for recognition. Also, congratulations to the Mount Boucherie Secondary School Bears and École Okanagan Mission Secondary School Huskies AAAA Girls Volleyball Teams who placed 5th and 6th at the Provincials. At the AA Girls Provincial Tournament, the École George Elliot Secondary School Coyotes finished in 8th place.
- On November 25, 2023 the Rutland Senior Boys Football team played in the semi-finals of the BC High School Football Championships. The Voodoos played against the Vancouver College Fighting Irish in one of the semi-finals. The Fighting Irish are the #1 ranked team in BC and Canadian High School Football. Their 4th place is the highest finish for the Voodoos in the final standings.

- Trustees recently delivered gift baskets to all the schools/sites in the District expressing their appreciation to staff for their contributions to the success of students in Central Okanagan Public Schools.
- On November 23-25, 2023 Trustees attended the BCSTA Trustee Academy in Vancouver.
- The Winter edition of Together We Learn with the theme of "Wonder" will be published before the winter break.

7:07 pm: Trustee Geistlinger left the meeting.

BC PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYERS' ASSOCIATION

Annual General Meeting

January 25, 2024

(Virtual)

BC SCHOOL TRUSTEES ASSOCIATION

Partner Liaison Meeting

February 9, 2024

Radisson Hotel Vancouver Airport

Provincial Council

February 24, 2024

(Virtual)

BCSTA Thompson Okanagan Branch Meeting

March 1-2, 2024

Vernon, BC

Annual General Meeting

April 18-21, 2024

Westin Bayshore

Vancouver, BC

BOARD MEETINGS WITH PARTNER AND COMMUNITY GROUPS

Joint Board/MP Meeting

- January 17, 2024 - MP Tracy Gray

Joint Board/Westbank First Nation Meeting

- January 29, 2024

Joint Board/City of West Kelowna Meeting
- March 8, 2024

FUTURE MEETINGS

Regularly Scheduled Board Meetings

- Wednesday, January 10, 2024 at 6:00 pm
- Wednesday, January 24, 2024 at 6:00 pm

Main Board Room, 1040 Hollywood Road S.

Board Standing Committee Meetings

Wednesday January 17, 2024

- Finance and Audit Committee Meeting, 4:00 pm
- Education and Student Services Committee Meeting, 6:00 pm

Wednesday February 7, 2024

- Policy Committee Meeting, 4:00 pm
- Planning and Facilities Committee Meeting, 6:00 pm

Main Board Room, 1040 Hollywood Road S.

MEDIA QUESTIONS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 7:18 pm.

Chair

Secretary-Treasurer/CFO