



"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 acknowledges that this meeting is being held
on the Traditional Territory of the Okanagan People.**

DATE: Wednesday, November 30, 2016
TIME: 6:00 pm
LOCATION: School Board Office
1940 Underhill Street
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
Trustee L. Mossman (*absent*)
Trustee L. Tiede

Staff:

K. Kaardal, Superintendent of Schools/CEO
L. Paul, Secretary-Treasurer
T. Beaudry, Deputy Superintendent (*arrived at 6:11 pm*)
H. Wendt, Executive Assistant (*Recorder*)

Partner Group Representatives Attending:

COPAC	Shelley Courtney, President
COPVA	Tamalee Middleton, Member-at-Large
COTA	Susan Bauhart, President and April Smith, First Vice-President
CUPE	Dave Tether, Vice President
DSC	Claire Robb, Co-President (Okanagan Mission Secondary School) and Saul Rosal, Co-President (George Elliot Secondary School)

ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 pm.

AGENDA

Additions/Amendments/Deletions

Add:	Information Items	8.7	Board Standing Committees (<i>New item</i>)
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Main

16P-165

MOVED by Trustee Butler, SECONDED by Trustee Tiede,
THAT: The Agenda for the November 30, 2016 Public Board Meeting be adopted as amended.
CARRIED

MINUTES

Public Board Meeting – November 16, 2016

Main

16P-166

MOVED by Trustee Gorman, SECONDED by Trustee Fraser,

THAT: The Minutes of the Public Board Meeting of November 16, 2016 be adopted as distributed.

CARRIED

RECOGNITION/PRESENTATION/DELEGATIONS

Presentation: “Inside 23”

'Kindness Crew' (George Elliot Secondary School)

Principal, Kathy Weninger and Teacher, Kathy Lafontaine, both of George Elliot Secondary School, introduced the students of the 'Kindness Crew'.

6:11 pm: *The Deputy Superintendent joined the meeting.*

As the students spoke of the work that the group does within schools, their presentation was shown, highlighting the focus of preventing bullying, promoting healthy relationships, assisting students in dealing with anxiety, promoting mental health and monitoring social media problems.

Coding

District Principal - Learning Technology, Jordan Kleckner and Principal Alida Privett, Vice-Principal Tim Van Brummelen and Teacher April Cutler (Mar Jok Elementary School), provided an overview of the coding work being done in the District and specifically at Mar Jok Elementary School.

The Ministry of Education Coding initiative is part of the new Applied Design, Skills and Technology redesigned curriculum. Students have developed an understanding of scope and sequencing, utilizing problem solving skills, and have developed leadership skills as they create coding for prototypes within a team environment.

Recognition: Kelowna Secondary School, KSS Field Hockey Team – Silver Medallists at Provincial AAA Field Hockey Tournament

The Board of Education recognized the Kelowna Secondary School Field Hockey Team for their achievement in winning the silver medal at the recent Provincial AAA Field Hockey Tournament. Coaches Arnar Bernhardsson and Brian Demug introduced the team and provided an overview of the dedication and hard work of the team that was required in order to win the silver medal.

Computer Science Education Week – December 5-11, 2016

The Board Chair made the following Declaration:

"The Central Okanagan Board of Education declares December 5-11, 2016 as "Computer Science Education Week" in Central Okanagan Public Schools.

6:47 pm: *The meeting was recessed.*

6:55pm: *The meeting was reconvened.*

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

Queried how the District will be applying the recently announced Economic Stability Dividend.

The Secretary-Treasurer noted the distribution of the dividend is outlined in both of the current Collective Agreements. It will be applied in May of 2017 and the Secretary-Treasurer noted further information will be brought forward to a future Finance and Legal Committee Meeting.

ACTION ITEMS

Board/Authority Authorized (BAA) Course Proposal

Trustee Tiede, Chairperson of the Education and Student Services Committee, provided a brief overview of the discussions that took place at the Committee's November 9, 2016 meeting.

Main

16P-167

MOVED by Trustee Tiede, SECONDED by Trustee Butler,

THAT: The Board of Education approve the Board/Authority Authorized (BAA) Course Proposal – Perspectives mondiales 12 (École Kelowna Secondary School), as attached to the agenda and as presented at the November 30, 2016 Public Board Meeting.

CARRIED

6:59 pm: *The Deputy Superintendent left the meeting.*

City of Kelowna Statutory Right-of-Way for Dr. Knox Middle Schools

Trustee Fraser, Chairperson of the Planning and Facilities Committee, provided a brief overview of the discussions that took place at the Committee's November 23, 2016 meeting. The Secretary-Treasurer confirmed the City of Kelowna requires access to the retention pond in order to maintain it as necessary.

Main

16P-168

MOVED by Trustee Fraser, SECONDED by Trustee Cacchioni,

THAT: The Board of Education give first, second and third readings to School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan) Property Bylaw No. 137 (as attached to the agenda) at the November 30, 2016 Public Board Meeting.

CARRIED

MOVED by Trustee Fraser, SECONDED by Trustee Cacchioni,
THAT: School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan) Property Bylaw No. 137 (registration of a Statutory Right-of-Way) be read a first, second and third time and finally adopted the 30th day of November, 2016;

AND THAT: The Board of Education of School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan), hereinafter called "the Board", grant approval for registration of a Statutory Right-of-Way in favour of the City of Kelowna on Lot A, Section 4, Township 23, Osoyoos Division Yale District, Plan KAP85548.
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.

Susan Bauhart, COTA President

Queried what the Board of Education's public statement has been regarding the recent Supreme Court of Canada ruling.

The Board Chair noted the BC Teachers' Federation and BC Public Schools Employers' Association are in discussions regarding implementation and that this matter will likely be discussed at the upcoming BCPSEA Annual General Meeting in January.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Superintendent's Emergent Issues

The Superintendent of Schools/CEO advised there were no emergent issues to report.

Synopsis: Second Annual Ministry of Education Liaison Meeting / BCSTA Meeting of Board Chairs

The Superintendent of Schools/CEO and the Board Chair noted material arising from the meetings has already been disseminated or discussed.

Improving Budgeting and Expenditure Management in the Public Education System – Auditor General's Report – May 2016

Trustee Cacchioni, Member of the Finance and Legal Committee, advised the Committee thoroughly reviewed the report at the November 23, 2016 Meeting at which time feedback was provided to District staff.

Canadian Union of Public Employees Local 3523 Executive

The Board congratulated the recently elected Executive of CUPE Local 3523.

Level 4 and 5 Field Study Summary – 2016/2017

The Board reviewed the information provided.

General Statement

The Board reviewed the information provided.

Board Standing Committees

At the Incamera Board of Education meeting held on Wednesday, November 30, 2016, the Board of Education agreed:

THAT: The Board of Education suspend the Human Resources and Staff Services Committee for one year starting January 2017;

AND THAT: All Human Resource matters be referred to the General Affairs Committee for that time period.

The Board of Education also agreed:

THAT: The Board of Education form a Policy Committee starting January 2017 to manage Policy matters;

AND THAT: The General Affairs and Policy Committees meet on alternate months at the times previously scheduled for Human Resources and Staff Services and General Affairs;

AND FURTHER THAT: The Committees assess the effectiveness of the change at the end of the time frame and make a recommendation to the Board.

BOARD/DISTRICT COMMITTEE QUERIES/COMMENTS AND REPORTS

BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

Sent:

Received: Correspondence Directed to the Board

Ministry of Education, October 31, 2016, regarding approval for the Central Okanagan Board of Education's Aboriginal education funding amount.

BCSTA Legal Counsel, November 7, 2016, regarding Bill 24 – Societies Act.

Summary of Copies of Letters received by the Board

SD No. 72 (Campbell River), October 6, 2016, to Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services, regarding concerns and recommendations.

SD No. 5 (Southeast Kootenay), October 26, 2016, to BCSTA President, regarding BCSTA media release re: Government Firing of Vancouver School Board

British Columbia Teachers' Federation, October 28, 2016, to Deputy Minister of Education, regarding implementation of Grades 10-12 curriculum.

Thompson Okanagan Branch of the BCSTA, October 30, 2016, to the Minister of Education, regarding SD83 being with a locally elected Board of Education.

Board of Education of SD No. 61 (Greater Victoria), October 28, 2016, to the Minister of Education, regarding support of elected Boards of Education.

SD No. 70 (Alberni), November 1, 2016, to the Minister of Education, regarding funding to BC independent schools.

SD No. 70 (Alberni), November 1, 2016, to the Minister of Education, regarding reduction in transportation funding.

Ministry of Education, November 2, 2016, to BCSTA President, BCSSA President and BCASBO President, regarding application of government policy to British Columbia school districts.

Ministry of Education, November 2, 2016, to all Superintendents, Secretary-Treasurers, School Facility Managers and School Districts, regarding Youth Trades Capital Equipment Program.

Ministry of Education, November 4, 2016, to All Secretary-Treasurers, Superintendents and School Districts, regarding Apprentices on Public Projects Policy.

Ministry of Education Resource Management and Corporate Services Division, November 9, 2016, regarding update on Rural Education Engagement Process.

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16P-170

MOVED by Trustee Tiede, SECONDED by Trustee Butler,

THAT: At the November 30, 2016 Public Board Meeting, the Board receive the correspondence listed above.

CARRIED

ITEMS REQUIRING SPECIAL MENTION

The Superintendent of Schools/CEO advised the Minister of Education provided a letter to parents announcing the delay in implementation of the Grade 10-12 curriculum as well as plans to enhance the Foundation Skills Assessment in Grades 4 and 7. The letter has also been posted to the District's website.

The Superintendent of Schools/CEO congratulated the George Elliot Junior Boys Volleyball team for their achievement in winning the Provincial Championship at the provincial tournament held the weekend of November 26th.

Trustee Fraser attended the City of West Kelowna Mayor's Youth Forum and noted safety, mental health and culture were part of the discussions held during the Forum.

BC PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYERS' ASSOCIATION

23rd Annual General Meeting

Date: January 27, 2017

Location: Vancouver

BC SCHOOL TRUSTEES ASSOCIATION

BCSTA Provincial Council: October 2016 Synopsis and Disposition of Motions

Trustee Fraser, the Board of Education's representative to the BCSTA Provincial Council, provided a brief overview of the disposition of motions from the October 29, 2016 meeting.

7:18 pm: *The Deputy Superintendent rejoined the meeting.*

Learning Forward Annual Conference

Date: December 3-7, 2016

Location: Vancouver Convention Centre

FUTURE MEETINGS

REGULARLY SCHEDULED BOARD MEETINGS

Annual General Meeting and Regular Public Board Meeting
Wednesday, December 14, 2016 at 6:00 p.m., School Board Office

BOARD STANDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS

2017 Board Standing Committee Meeting Dates to be confirmed.

NOTICES OF MOTION

Supreme Court Ruling

(Trustee Cacchioni)

THAT: The School Board of Central Okanagan School District is pleased that the issue brought to the Courts by BCTF with regard to Teacher/Board contracts of 2002 has, after a number of appeals, finally been decided. The Board looks forward to the District and its students receiving additional financial resources to enhance the learning of all students.

ITEMS FOR A FUTURE AGENDA

- *Notice of Motion*

ADJOURNMENT: The Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 7:20 pm.

Chairperson

Secretary-Treasurer