



"Together We Learn"

School District No. 23
(Central Okanagan)

BOARD OF EDUCATION PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

*(Second and Fourth Wednesday of every month, except July, August and the fourth Wednesday in December,
at the School Board Office.)*

DATE: Wednesday, September 28, 2011
TIME: 6:00 PM
LOCATION: School Board Office
1940 Underhill St.
Kelowna, B.C. V1X 5X7

Attending:

Trustee R. Cacchioni
Trustee M. Baxter
Trustee G. Given
Trustee W. Horning
Trustee A. Hunt-Binkley
Trustee G. Scanlan
Trustee J. Watson

Staff:

H. Gloster, Superintendent
L. Paul, Secretary-Treasurer
T. Beaudry, Assistant Superintendent
K. Hannigan, Executive Assistant (Recorder)

Partner Group Representatives Attending:

COPAC	No representative
COTA	Susan Bauhart, 1 st Vice-President and April Smith, 2 nd Vice-President
COPVPA	Kevin Auclair, Members Liaison - Middle/Secondary
CUPE	Wendy Johnson, Vice-President
DSC	No representative

ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m.

AGENDA

Additions/Amendments/Deletions

Amend	Material for Scheduled Item	2.1 Public Board Meeting Minutes - September 14, 2011
Amend	Material for Scheduled Item	9.6 Field Trips 2011/2012
Add	Material for Scheduled item	11. Board Correspondence
Add	BCPSEA	13.2 BCPSEA Representative Council Meeting

Main

11P-157 MOVED by Trustee Watson, SECONDED by Trustee Horning,
THAT: The Agenda for September 28, 2011 be adopted as amended.
CARRIED

MINUTES

Public Board Meeting - September 14, 2011 (attachment)

Trustee Queries/Comments - Trustee Hunt-Binkley - and is resubmitting the letter with the ~~corrected~~ *written* addressees.

Main

11P-158

MOVED by Trustee Watson, SECONDED by Trustee Scanlan,
THAT: The Minutes of the Public Board Meeting of September 14, 2011 be adopted as amended.
CARRIED

RECOGNITION/ PRESENTATION/DELEGATIONS

Declarations:

The Board made the following declarations:

International Walk to School Week - October 3-7, 2011

The Board of Education of School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan) declares October 3 - 7, 2011 as "International Walk to School Week" in School District No. 23.

World Teachers' Day - October 5, 2011

The Board of Education of School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan) declares October 5, 2011 as "World Teachers' Day" in School District No. 23.

Recognitions:

Introduction of New Principals/Vice-Principals

The Board of Education welcomed the following new District Principal and Vice-Principals:

Cammy Coughlin, District Principal, Aboriginal Education
John Morrone, Vice-Principal, Davidson Road Elementary School
Ryan Ward, Vice-Principal, Constable Neil Bruce Middle School

Presentations:

Valerie Richards, Member of the Aboriginal Education Council, Kelowna Métis Association

Valerie Richards, Member of the Aboriginal Education Council, Kelowna Métis Association, acknowledged Okanagan territory and shared that she was presenting on behalf of Leo Brazeau, President of the Métis Association. On behalf of the Métis Association, Ms. Richards requested a second seat on the Aboriginal Education Council based on the large number of Métis students enrolled in the Central Okanagan School District. Approximately one-third of the Aboriginal students have identified as Métis in the District. After hearing the presentation, the Board of Education referred this item to the Coordinating

Committee as an action item for placement on the October 12, 2011 Public Board Meeting Agenda.

Main
11P-159

MOVED by Trustee Baxter, SECONDED by Trustee Hunt-Binkley,
THAT: The issue of Representation on the Aboriginal Education Council be forwarded to the Coordinating Committee to be placed on the October 12, 2011 Public Board Meeting Agenda as an action item.
CARRIED

Marvin Farkas, President, Lake Country Chamber of Commerce

Marvin Farkas, President, Lake Country Chamber of Commerce, wished to stress to the Board of Education the importance of holding the annual George Elliot Secondary graduation in Lake Country. Mr. Farkas would like to work with the administration and staff of George Elliot Secondary to ensure the graduation ceremonies remain in the community in future years *as the Lake Country Chamber of Commerce makes a significant contribution to the schools and local community.*

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Spearheaded by Project Literacy, September 28, 2011 is "Raise a Reader Day". Community volunteers were located in various parts of the community to promote the importance of literacy. Project literacy sponsors year round initiatives that raise funds for family literacy programs across the country.
- The Superintendent reported that the District's enrolment is slightly below the 2011/2012 projection; however, approximately 97 students have yet to complete their full course load timetables. Once this process is completed, it is anticipated that the District's Full Time Enrolment (FTE) count will increase. Currently, the Central Okanagan is the 6th largest District in the province.
- Fifty secondary students are cross-enrolled in the District's secondary schools. With the adoption of a common lunch hour this year, secondary students have the option to enrol in specialty courses across the District.
- A review of the British Columbia Enterprise Student Information System (BCeSIS) has been completed. Results from the study have indicated that the current electronic system is not meeting the needs of its users. Additionally, the current system cannot provide the flexibility necessary to support the Ministry's personalized learning agenda. It is anticipated that a new electronic information system will be on the horizon by 2013. In the interim, the government will be staying with BCeSIS with some modifications being made to increase efficiencies.
- An update on the current job action situation was provided. In particular, Early Dismissal Days are going ahead at schools. The Superintendent indicated that teachers have made it clear that they are willing to communicate with parents. Parents may contact classroom teachers to discuss their child's progress. As the October 7, 2011 Implementation Day is going ahead as planned, students will not be in session that day.
- The Superintendent noted that the District is losing approximately 75 hours of management time a day due to the District's Management team assuming morning and afternoon supervision duties.

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.

- **Wendy Johnson, Vice-President, CUPE Local 3523** requested that the Minutes from September 14, 2011 be amended to reflect that she was in attendance at the meeting.
- **Lorrie Hogaboam, Councillor, Westbank First Nation and Chairperson of the Aboriginal Education Council**, reported to the Board that the WFN supports the recommendation of the Aboriginal Education Council in June 2011 that the Métis representation remain as is. Ms. Hogaboam also reported that the Aboriginal Education Council supports the goals and focus for the betterment of all aboriginal students; Métis, registered, and non-registered, and their success in graduation.

TRUSTEES QUERIES/COMMENTS

Trustee Given requested information on the announcement that the Ministry of Education would be funding playgrounds at middle schools.

The Secretary-Treasurer reported that the Ministry of Education had yet to provide clarification for the funding for playgrounds in middle schools.

Trustee Baxter also requested information on the middle school playground funding and the process by which individual Parent Advisory Councils could access the funding.

The Secretary-Treasurer further reported that once staff has been notified of the process, school principals would be made aware. There is a possibility that Parent Advisory Councils may be reimbursed for some of the funding that has gone into playgrounds over the past two years.

ACTION ITEMS

2010/2011 Audited Consolidated Financial Statements

(attachment)

Recommendation of the Finance and Legal Committee - September 21, 2011

Trustee Given, as Chairperson of the Finance and Legal Committee, presented the 2010/2011 Audited Consolidated Financial Statements.

Main

11P-160

MOVED by Trustee Given, SECONDED by Trustee Horning,

THAT: The Board of Education receive and approve the 2010/2011 Audited Consolidated Financial Statements, as attached, and as presented at the September 28, 2011 Public Board Meeting.

CARRIED

Cancellation of Recess during Job Action

Notice of Motion - Trustee Hunt-Binkley - Public Board Meeting - September 14, 2011

The Board discussed the cancellation of recess during job action.

Main

11P-161

MOVED by Trustee Hunt-Binkley, SECONDED by Trustee Scanlan,

THAT: The Superintendent provide the Board at the next Board Meeting a written report outlining the need for the cancellation of recess, the rationale, history, the practical outcome of the decision to date, and briefly what other Districts are doing.

CARRIED

Opposed: Trustee Given and Trustee Watson

Raymer Elementary School - Statutory Right of Way

(attachment)

Trustee Horning, as Chairperson of the Planning and Facilities Committee, presented a Development permit which would allow Fortis to maintain the electrical services at Raymer Elementary School.

Main

11P-162

MOVED by Trustee Horning, SECONDED by Trustee Baxter,

THAT: The Board give first, second and third readings to School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan) Property Bylaw No. 119 (as attached) at the September 28th, 2011 Public Board Meeting.

CARRIED

Main

11P-163

MOVED by Trustee Horning, SECONDED by Trustee Scanlan,

THAT: School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan) Property Bylaw No.119 (Raymer Elementary – City of Kelowna Statutory Right-of-Way) be read a first, second and third time, and finally adopted this 28th day of September, 2011;

CARRIED

Main

11P-164

MOVED by Trustee Horning, SECONDED by Trustee Scanlan,

THAT: The Board of Education of School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan), hereinafter called "the Board", adopt Property Bylaw 119, to grant approval for a Statutory Right-of-Way in favour of the City of Kelowna on Lot A, District Lot 135, Plan 8662, O.D.Y.D, commonly known as the Raymer Elementary School site, located at 657 Raymer Ave., Kelowna, BC, for the purpose of maintaining and protecting electrical services to the school, as per the attached survey plan;

AND FURTHER THAT: The Board certifies that the granting of these Statutory Right-of-Ways shall have no adverse effect on the educational programs provided within School District No. 23.

CARRIED

District of West Kelowna - RCMP Liaison Officer

(attachment)

The Board discussed the request for funding from the District of West Kelowna for the RCMP Liaison Officer on the Westside.

Main

11P-165

MOVED by Trustee Baxter, SECONDED by Trustee Watson,

THAT: The Board of Education agreed to write a letter to the District of West Kelowna Council to recognize the support of West Kelowna for the hiring of an RCMP Liaison Officer. The Board agreed that, consistent with funding models in the other local municipalities, they would not be contributing to the financing of this position.

CARRIED

BCSTA - Call for Board Input to Funding Formula for Allocating Operating Grants
(attachment)

The Board discussed the Call for Board Input to Funding Formula for Allocating Operating Grants.

Main

11P-166

MOVED by Trustee Given, SECONDED by Trustee Watson,

THAT: The Board of Education agreed to participate in providing input on the funding allocation system as requested by the BC School Trustees Association

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, 1st Vice-President, Central Okanagan Teachers' Association**, reported that a student's physical activity is not being cut short as a result of the cancellation of recess.
- **Shelly McLaughlin, President, Anne McClymont Elementary - Parent Advisory Council**, reported that the AME PAC would be interested in the receiving a portion of the middle school playground funding.
- **Shelly McLaughlin, President, Anne McClymont Elementary - Parent Advisory Council**, requested further information on the statement from COTA that a student's physical activity had not been cut short as a result of job action. Ms. McLaughlin asked if instructional time was now being used for physical activity.
The Superintendent reported that the students were receiving their daily physical activity requirement during the school hours. With school ending 15 minutes earlier, the student's seemed to be having unstructured play time in the school playgrounds.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Attributes of a School District No. 23 Learner for Success in the 21st Century
(attachment)

The Superintendent presented a video which highlighted the work of the District's "Attribute" Committee and the consultative process that took place over the previous school year to establish the following attributes of a 21st century learning: Learner, Thinker, Innovator, Collaborator, and Contributor. Next steps include engaging members of the district and greater community to support the development of these attributes in Central Okanagan students (K-12).

Comprehensive Health Promoting Schools Action Plan
(attachment)

Referred by the District Health Promoting Schools Committee - September 15, 2011

Trustee Hunt-Binkley, as a member of the Health Promoting Schools Committee, presented the Comprehensive Health Promoting Schools Action Plan, as well as initiatives planned for the 2011-2012 school year.

Trustee Attendance - COPAC Meetings 2011/2012
(attachment)

Trustee Cacchioni agreed to represent the Board at the October COPAC meeting and Trustee Hunt-Binkley agreed to represent the Board at the November COPAC meeting.

School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan) 2010/2011 Public Sector Executive Compensation Report
(attachment)

The Secretary-Treasurer presented the School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan) 2010/2011 Public Sector Executive Compensation Report of any employee who earns over \$125,000/year, as well as the earnings of the Superintendent of Schools which is required by the Minister of Education.

General Statement
(attachment)

Field Trips 2011/2012
(attachment)

The Board discussed the continuation of field trips during job action.

BOARD/DISTRICT COMMITTEE REPORTS

BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

Sent: Leo Brazeau, President, Kelowna Metis Association, a letter regarding the Aboriginal Education Council.
Marvin Farkas, President, Lake Country Chamber of Commerce, a letter regarding the George Elliot Secondary School Graduation Banquet.
Doug Findlater, Mayor, District of West Kelowna, a letter regarding the RCMP Liaison Officer.
James Baker, Mayor, District of Lake Country, a letter regarding Sidewalk Improvement Project at Davidson Road Elementary.

Received: **Correspondence Directed to the Board**
Marvin Farkas, President, Lake Country Chamber of Commerce, a letter regarding the George Elliot Secondary School Annual Graduation Celebrations. (July 20, 2011)
Marvin Farkas, President, Lake Country Chamber of Commerce, a letter regarding the 2011 George Elliot Secondary School Graduation Celebration.
The Honourable George Abbott, Minister of Education, a letter regarding School District No. 23 targeted Aboriginal Education funding.
Helena Pol, Okanagan Humane Society, a letter regarding Dog Bites Prevention.

Summary of Copies of Letters received by the Board

Derek Lea, Principal, George Elliot Secondary School, a letter to Marvin Farkas, President, Lake Country Chamber of Commerce, regarding the George Elliot Secondary School Graduation Banquet.
Cowichan Valley School District, a letter to the Honourable George Abbott regarding

Pacific Carbon Trust.
School District No. 39 (Vancouver Board of Education), a letter to the Honourable
George Abbott regarding Changes to Harmonized Sales Tax.

Main

11P-167

MOVED by Trustee Watson, SECONDED by Trustee Horning,

THAT: At the September 28, 2011 Public Board Meeting, the Board receive the correspondence listed above.

CARRIED

ITEMS REQUIRING SPECIAL MENTION

BC PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYERS' ASSOCIATION

CANCELLED - Symposium 2011: Insight and Opportunities, Human Resources in Education

Date: October 27 & 28, 2011

Location: Sutton Place Hotel, Vancouver, BC

Attending: Trustee Hunt-Binkley

BCPSEA Representative Council Meeting

Date: October 3, 2011

Attending: Trustee Hunt-Binkley

BC SCHOOL TRUSTEES ASSOCIATION

BCSTA Thompson-Okanagan Branch Meeting

Date: September 30 & October 1, 2011

Location: Salmon Arm, BC

Attending: Trustee Cacchioni, Trustee Baxter, and Trustee Hunt-Binkley

BCSTA Provincial Council Meeting

Date: October 21 & 22, 2011

Location: Wosk Centre, Vancouver, BC

Attending: Trustee Baxter

BCSTA Trustee Academy

Date: December 8 to 10, 2011

Location: Hyatt Hotel

FUTURE MEETINGS

REGULARLY SCHEDULED BOARD MEETINGS

Regular Public Board Meeting

Wednesday, October 12, 2011 at 6:00 p.m., School Board Office

Regular Public Board Meeting
Wednesday, October 26, 2011 at 6:00 p.m., School Board Office

BOARD STANDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS

CANCELLED - Human Resources and Staff Services
Wednesday, October 5, 2011 at 3:00 p.m., School Board Office

CANCELLED - General Affairs
Wednesday, October 5, 2011 at 4:30 p.m., School Board Office

Education and Student Services
Wednesday, October 5, 2011 at 3:00 p.m., School Board Office

NOTICES OF MOTION

ITEMS FOR A FUTURE AGENDA

ITEMS FOR A FUTURE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Coordinating Committee

- Representation on the Aboriginal Education Council

ADJOURNMENT: The Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 7:56 p.m.

Chairperson

Secretary-Treasurer