



"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.)

DATE: Wednesday February 26, 2014
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 J. Brinkerhoff
Trustee R. Cacchioni
Trustee J. Fraser (*absent*)
Trustee C. Gorman
Trustee M. Pendharkar

Staff:

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

Partner Group Representatives Attending:

COPAC	Shaun Bos, President
COPVPA	Raquel Steen, Executive Member - Economic Welfare
COTA	Susan Bauhart, President, and April Smith, First Vice-President
CUPE	Wendy Johnson, President
DSC	No representative

ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

AGENDA

Additions/Amendments/Deletions

Main

14P-033 MOVED by Trustee Brinkerhoff, SECONDED by Trustee Pendharkar,
THAT: The Agenda for February 26, 2014 be adopted as presented.
CARRIED

MINUTES

Public Board Meeting – February 12, 2014

Main

14P-034 MOVED by Trustee Butler, SECONDED by Trustee Brinkerhoff,
THAT: The Minutes of the Public Board Meeting of February 12, 2014 be adopted as distributed.
CARRIED
ABSTAINED: Trustee Gorman

RECOGNITION/ PRESENTATION/DELEGATIONS

Presentation: University of British Columbia Okanagan Update and Information Regarding UBC's Aspire Community Consultation Process for Creating a Shared Vision for the Future of the Okanagan Campus

Bud Mortenson, Director - University Relations, provided an update on the development and progress of the University of British Columbia's Okanagan campus from 2005 to 2014. Highlights included the growth of the campus from 260 acres in 2005 to 516 acres in 2014, an increase in the operating costs from \$45.2 million in 2005 to \$116 million in 2013/2014, and an increase in residence beds from 328 in 2005 to 1676 in 2014. The university's economic impact has reached \$1.45 billion annually. Community connections include Capstone Projects (Engineering and Management), Co-op Programs, and Practical Placements (Education, Nursing and Social Work).

The University's *Aspire* initiative has been developed as a process for creating a shared vision for the future of UBC's Okanagan campus by asking partners in the community, business and government, as well as students, faculty and staff to provide feedback on the future development of the university. Feedback may be provided either online through aspire.ok.ubc.ca/welcome.html or through email to aspire.ok@ubc.ca. The Board agreed that the link to the *Aspire* initiative would be added to the School District's website.

Presentation: Canadian Student Leadership Conference 2014 - Update

Raquel Steen, Co-Chair of the Canadian Student Leadership Conference 2014, and Principal - KLO Middle School, provided an update to the Board on the Canadian Student Leadership Conference 2014 which will take place in the Central Okanagan School District from September 23 - 27, 2014. Registration for the conference opens on Monday, March 24, 2014. Keynote speakers include "Happiness is Now", Micah Jacobson, Trey Anthony and Ta'Kaiya Blaney. Many of the keynote speakers will be available to present to District students who will not be attending the Leadership Conference and schools are being encouraged to book keynote presenters for separate presentations. The Conference will also include a speaker competition for students aged 10 - 18 years.

Trustees will receive VIP passes to attend all Leadership Conference events and will be asked to take part in student leadership workshops as leaders in the community.

Presentation: Aboriginal Education Council Draft Terms of Reference and Proposed Cost-Sharing - Aboriginal Education Program Resource Teacher

James Coble, Vice-Chairperson of the Aboriginal Education Council, provided background information to the Board regarding the development of the draft Aboriginal Education Council Terms of Reference, which are attached to the agenda for Board approval.

Mr. Coble also reviewed the Aboriginal Education Council's request that the District contribute to funding the position of the Aboriginal Education Program Resource Teacher, as the Resource Teacher develops Aboriginal resources to enhance the School District's curriculum. Currently, the cost of the Resource Teacher is being funded through Aboriginal Education Program targeted funds.

Province of British Columbia Proclamation - Bullying Awareness Day, February 26, 2014

The Board Chair made the following Affirmation:

The Central Okanagan Board of Education affirms February 26, 2014 as "Bullying Awareness Day" in School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan).

Education Week 2014

The Board Chair made the following Declaration:

The Central Okanagan Board of Education declares March 10 – 14, 2014 as “Education Week” in School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan).

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 Brinkerhoff

Suggested that, in the future, resources produced by students for Harmony Day and Bullying Awareness Day, e.g. videos, be posted to the District’s website.

This suggestion will be forwarded to Director Rick Oliver, whose portfolio includes the Harmony Day Committee.

The Board expressed their condolences on the passing of Eric Buckley, former Central Okanagan School District Trustee and former BCSTA President.

The Board agreed to send a letter to Judith Guichon, Lieutenant Governor of British Columbia, thanking her for her visit to the District.

ACTION ITEMS

Fascieux Creek Redevelopment - École KLO Middle School

Trustee Cacchioni, member of the Planning and Facilities Committee, reviewed the recommendations as discussed at the committee level.

Main

14P-035

MOVED by Trustee Cacchioni, SECONDED by Trustee Butler,
THAT: The Board of Education approve, in principle, the Fascieux Creek Conceptual Restoration Pre-Design as attached to the agenda and as presented at the February 26, 2014 Public Board Meeting.
CARRIED

Main

14P-036

MOVED by Trustee Cacchioni, SECONDED by Trustee Butler,
THAT: The Board of Education direct staff to work with the City of Kelowna to develop a Statutory Right-of-Way for maintenance purposes of Fascieux Creek for subsequent approval by the Board.
CARRIED

Main

14P-037

MOVED by Trustee Cacchioni, SECONDED by Trustee Brinkerhoff,
THAT: The Board of Education approve the Secretary-Treasurer to use his professional discretion to sign off as the owner on appropriate grant submissions by the KLO Green Parent Committee.
CARRIED

Main
14P-038

MOVED by Trustee Cacchioni, SECONDED by Trustee Gorman,
THAT: The \$68,500 budget request be forwarded to the Finance and Legal Committee for consideration in the 2014/2015 School District budget process.

Trustees discussed the options available to the Green Parent Committee should the Board not approve the \$68,500 budget request.

**MAIN 14P-038
CARRIED**

Proposal for Substantive Change (George Elliot Secondary School Golf Academy)

Main
14P-039

MOVED by Trustee Butler, SECONDED by Trustee Brinkerhoff,
THAT: The Board of Education approve the Proposal for Substantive Change (George Elliot Secondary School Golf Academy), as attached to the agenda and as presented at the February 26, 2014 Public Board Meeting.

CARRIED

ABSTAINED: Trustee Pendharkar

Proposal for Substantive Change (Mount Boucherie Secondary School Baseball Academy)

Main
14P-040

MOVED by Trustee Butler, SECONDED by Trustee Brinkerhoff,
THAT: The Board of Education approve the Proposal for Substantive Change (Mount Boucherie Secondary School Baseball Academy), as attached to the agenda and as presented at the February 26, 2014 Public Board Meeting.

CARRIED

ABSTAINED: Trustee Pendharkar

2014-2015 School Calendar

The Superintendent reviewed the development of the 2014-2015 school calendar which included consultation and invitation for input from Partner Groups, parents and employees. The 2014-2015 school calendar dates are similar to the previous year's calendar.

Main
14P-041

MOVED by Trustee Brinkerhoff, SECONDED by Trustee Pendharkar,
THAT: The Board of Education adopt a Local School Calendar for the 2014-2015 school year as identified in the attached calendar proposal and make the calendar available to all parents by February 28, 2014, and the Ministry of Education by March 31, 2014;

AND THAT: Upon accepting a Local School Calendar for the 2014-2015 school year, the Board of Education continue to offer CUPE employees meaningful work as it was offered in the past, and, in addition, offer CEAs the opportunity to attend professional development for compensation;

AND FURTHER THAT:

- 1. The Superintendent direct school Principals, in consultation with staff and parents, to establish a site-based calendar for the 2014-2015 school year.**
- 2. In establishing such calendars, principals must:**
 - a. Conform to the School Act and Regulations, applicable Collective Agreements, and School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan) Board Policy.**
 - b. Schedule school parent/teacher conference times.**
 - c. Schedule their school's calendar and bell schedule.**

CARRIED

The establishment of systemic collaborative time is being reviewed by Senior Staff, however this will not affect the formation of individual school calendars.

DESIGNATION	SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 23 Local Calendar 2014/2015
Days in session	191 (3 summer Pro Days Aug. 26 – Aug. 28)
Number of days of instruction	184
Number of non-instructional days	7
Schools open	September 2
Administrative Implementation Day	October 10
Thanksgiving Day (schools closed)	October 13
Teacher Professional Day	October 24
Remembrance Day (schools closed)	November 11
Schools close for Winter vacation	Friday, December 19
Winter vacation period (schools closed)	December 22 - January 2
Schools reopen after Winter vacation	Monday, January 5
Family Day	February 9
Teacher Professional Day (Support Staff In-Service Day)	February 20
Schools close for Spring vacation	Friday, March 13
Spring vacation period (schools closed)	March 16 - March 27
Schools reopen after Spring vacation	Monday, March 30
Good Friday (schools closed)	April 3
Easter Monday (schools closed)	April 6
Victoria Day (schools closed)	May 18
Administrative Day (students do not attend)	Friday, June 26
Schools close	Friday, June 26

The Calendar for 2014-2015 complies with Bill 36 - School Amendment Act (School Calendar Regulation).

The hours of instruction for:

- Kindergarten 883 hours (based on 4.8 hours per day x 184)
- Grades 1-7 883 hours (based on 4.8 hours per day x 184)
- Grades 8-12 957 hours (based on 5.2 hours per day x 184)

Provides the:

- Number and dates of the days in session
- The number and dates of each day of instruction
- Vacation Periods and the Statutory Holidays
- The dates of each Non-Instructional Day
- The number of hours of instruction offered students in each grade group

Aboriginal Education Council Draft Terms of Reference

Trustee Butler, Chair of the Aboriginal Education Council Terms of Reference Subcommittee, provided an amendment to the draft Terms of Reference as follows:

On Page 3 of the Terms of Reference, under “Chair and Vice-Chair”, amend the third line to read “The Chairperson shall be responsible for making any Council recommendations and/or reporting to the Board of Education.”

Main
14P-042

MOVED by Trustee Butler, SECONDED by Trustee Pendharkar,
THAT: The Board of Education approve the Aboriginal Education Council Draft Terms of Reference as amended, and as attached to the agenda and as presented at the February 26, 2014 Public Board Meeting.

Work will now begin on developing a policy for the Aboriginal Education Council which will contain belief statements and reference the Council’s structure and responsibilities. Members of the Aboriginal Education Council will be invited to take part in the policy development process.

**MAIN 14P-042
CARRIED**

Proposed Cost-Sharing - Aboriginal Education Program Resource Teacher

Main
14P-043

MOVED by Trustee Butler, SECONDED by Trustee Gorman,
THAT: The request from the Aboriginal Education Council for the Board of Education to share the cost of the position of the Aboriginal Education Program Resource Teacher be sent to the Finance and Legal Committee for consideration in the 2014/2015 budget discussion.

Currently, funding for the position is being taken from targeted funds for the Aboriginal Education Program. The Assistant Superintendent will provide background information on Aboriginal Education targeted funding expenditures for the Finance and Legal Committee.

**MAIN 14P-043
CARRIED**

Habitat for Humanity, Peachland Project - Request to Waive School Site Acquisition Charge

The Secretary-Treasurer provided information on the School Site Acquisition Charge (SSAC) which has been put into place for the purpose of raising funds to contribute towards the purchase of property for a new school when new development adds additional enrolment pressure in the School District. SSAC funds are held in the District’s Land Capital Reserve which cannot be accessed for purposes other than the purchase of land.

Main
14P-044

MOVED by Trustee Gorman, SECONDED by Trustee Pendharkar,
THAT: The Board of Education inform the District of Peachland Council that, due to present legislation, the Board is unable to waive the School Site Acquisition Charge for the affordable housing development at 4912 Princeton Avenue, Peachland.
CARRIED

Active and Safe Routes to School Pilot Project

The pilot project will involve the District's Traffic Safety Officer, a school committee and the school PAC.

Main

14P-045

MOVED by Trustee Cacchioni, SECONDED by Trustee Butler,

THAT: The Board of Education endorse the Active and Safe Routes to School Pilot Project for École George Pringle Elementary School.

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's Emergent Issues

The Superintendent had no emergent issues to report.

Report on Online Registration Process

The Board reviewed the information provided.

Education Week - March 10 - 14, 2014

The Board reviewed the information provided.

Aboriginal Education Annual Report

The Board reviewed the information provided.

Sustainability Initiatives 2013 Report

The Board reviewed the information provided.

Field Trips 2013/2014

The Board reviewed the information provided.

General Statement

BOARD/DISTRICT COMMITTEE REPORTS

BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

Sent:

Received: Correspondence Directed to the Board

Summary of Copies of Letters received by the Board

SD No. 78 (Fraser-Cascade), December 16, 2013 (received February 7, 2014), to local MLAs and all BC Boards of Education, regarding literacy funding.

SD No. 27 (Cariboo-Chilcotin), January 22, 2014, to the Premier, the Minister of Education, the Minister of Finance and all BC Boards of Education, regarding education funding issues.

SD No. 39 (Vancouver), February 12, 2014, to the Premier, the Minister of Education, local MLAs and all BC Boards of Education, regarding good-faith bargaining with the BCTF and the Government's financial responsibilities.

SD No. 41 (Burnaby), February 14, 2014, to the Minister of Education, local MLAs, and all BC Boards of Education, regarding BC Supreme Court Justice Griffin's decision and the government's decision to appeal.

SD No. 72 (Campbell River), February 18, 2014, to the Minister of Education, local MLAs and Partner Groups, and all BC Boards of Education, expressing frustration with the current state of the public education system.

BCSTA President, February 17, 2014, to the Minister of Education and all BC Boards of Education, expressing concern over two recent communications from the Ministry of Education to Board of Education employees.

Main
14P-046

MOVED by Trustee Butler, SECONDED by Trustee Pendharkar,

THAT: At the February 26, 2014 Public Board Meeting, the Board receive the correspondence listed above.

CARRIED

The Board agreed to send a letter to the BCSTA President and Board of Directors thanking them for their communication regarding emergent events taking place in recent months.

ITEMS REQUIRING SPECIAL MENTION

BC PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYERS' ASSOCIATION

BC SCHOOL TRUSTEES ASSOCIATION

BCSTA Provincial Council Meeting, February 21 & 22, 2014 - Report

The Board Chair and Trustee Cacchioni provided an update on items discussed at the BCSTA Provincial Council Meeting and the BCSTA Finance Committee Meeting.

BCSTA Thompson Okanagan Branch Meeting

Date: March 7 & 8, 2014

Location: Penticton

BCSTA AGM

Date: April 24 - 27, 2014

Location: Vancouver

FUTURE MEETINGS

REGULARLY SCHEDULED BOARD MEETINGS

Regular Public Board Meeting
Wednesday, March 12, 2014, School Board Office

Regular Public Board Meeting
Wednesday, April 9, 2014, School Board Office

BOARD STANDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Human Resources and Staff Services (CANCELLED)
Wednesday, March 5, 2014 at 3:00 pm at the School Board Office

General Affairs Committee
Wednesday, March 5, 2014 at 4:30 pm at the School Board Office

Education and Student Services (CANCELLED)
Wednesday, March 5, 2014 at 6:30 pm at the School Board Office

BOARD MEETINGS WITH PARTNER AND COMMUNITY GROUPS

Board of Education Meeting with local MLAs
DATE: Friday, March 14, 2014

Board of Education Meeting with Okanagan College Board of Governors
DATE: Tuesday, April 29, 2014

Board of Education Meeting with City of Kelowna Mayor and Council
DATE: Wednesday, April 30, 2014

Board of Education Meeting with District of West Kelowna Mayor and Council
DATE: Tuesday, April 22, 2014

Board of Education Meeting with District of Lake Country Mayor and Council
DATE: Monday, May 5, 2014

Board of Education Meeting with District of Peachland Mayor and Council
DATE: Tuesday, June 24, 2014

NOTICES OF MOTION

ITEMS FOR A FUTURE AGENDA

- Fascieux Creek Redevelopment, École KLO Middle School - Budget Request (*Sent to the Finance and Legal Committee*)
- Proposed Cost-Sharing - Aboriginal Education Program Resource Teacher (*Sent to the Finance and Legal Committee*)

ADJOURNMENT: The Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 7:32 pm.

Chairperson

Secretary-Treasurer