

# 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, April 27, 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 (absent)

Trustee C. Gorman (via teleconference)

Trustee L. Mossman

Trustee L. Tiede

**Staff:** 

K. Kaardal, Superintendent of Schools/CEO

L. Paul, Secretary-Treasurer

T. Beaudry, Assistant Superintendent (absent)

E. Sadlowski, Director of Finance M. Essler, Executive Assistant

H. Wendt, Executive Assistant (*Recorder*)

**Partner Group Representatives Attending:** 

COPAC Shelley Courtney, President

COPVPA Jamie Robinson, Executive Member

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 5:59 p.m.

**AGENDA** 

Additions/Amendments/Deletions

Add: Board Correspondence Received 10. Ministry of Education, April 25, 2016 regarding Budget 2016 –

Additional Preliminary Funding Allocations

Ministry of Education, April 25, 2016 regarding Additional Funding for

Education 2016/2017

Main

MOVED by Trustee Butler, SECONDED by Trustee Mossman,

THAT: The Agenda for the April 27, 2016 Public Board Meeting be adopted as amended.

**CARRIED** 

#### **MINUTES**

#### Public Board Meeting - April 13, 2016

*Main* 16P-054

MOVED by Trustee Mossman, SECONDED by Trustee Butler

THAT: The Minutes of the Public Board Meeting of April 13, 2016 be adopted as distributed.

**CARRIED** 

**ABSTAINED: Trustee Tiede** 

#### RECOGNITION/PRESENTATION/DELEGATIONS

Presentation: "Inside 23"

# Shannon Lake Elementary School - "The Seeds of Change"

Shannon Lake Elementary School Principal, Barrie MacLeod, introduced Teacher Sharon Foster who has been working with some of her Grade 2 students on an outdoor garden project. An overview of the 'Seeds of Change' website was provided and Students Seattle Lennox, Hannah Nitsui and Alessia Pacini spoke about their experiences and the pleasure they have had in growing and then utilizing the flowers and vegetables in the garden.

# **Declaration: National Day of Mourning – April 28, 2016**

The Board Chair made the following Declaration:

"The Central Okanagan Board of Education declares April 28, 2016 as a Day of Mourning in the Central Okanagan School District and observes a moment of silence to honour those workers who have been hurt or who have lost their lives in the course of performing their 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.

#### TRUSTEES QUERIES/COMMENTS

#### **ACTION ITEMS**

# <u>Central Okanagan School District 2016/2017 - Superintendent of Schools/CEO's Budget Recommendations</u>

Trustee Mossman, Chairperson of the Finance and Legal Committee, advised the Superintendent of Schools/CEO's Budget Recommendations were reviewed and discussed in-depth at the recent Finance and Legal Committee meeting wherein it was determined that the Recommendations would be brought forward to the Board of Education Public Meeting for further discussion.

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16P-055 MOVED by Trustee Mossman, SECONDED by Trustee Cacchioni

THAT: The Board of Education consider each of the staff's recommendations ad seriatum.

**CARRIED** 

Revenue Generation:

Main

16P-056 MOVED by Trustee Mossman, SECONDED by Trustee Cacchioni

THAT: The International Education Program be expanded to accommodate 375 FTE International Students (\$150,000).

**CARRIED** 

Main

16P-057 MOVED by Trustee Mossman, SECONDED by Trustee Tiede

THAT: The Transportation User Fee be increased to \$25 per month (\$250/year) prior to the application of the eligible discounts previously established by the Board of Education (\$200,000).

In response to a query from the Board, the Secretary-Treasurer advised the School Districts in the Province no longer receive funding for transportation; rather the District receives funding based on a student locator factor as well as a number of other factors not tied to transportation

MAIN 16P-057 CARRIED

Main

16P-058 MOVED by Trustee Mossman, SECONDED by Trustee Tiede

THAT: The District develop a Blended Learning Service (BLS) Model to provide remote instruction and/or resources support to other School Districts (\$25,000).

**CARRIED** 

Main

16P-059 MOVED by Trustee Mossman, SECONDED by Trustee Cacchioni

THAT: The District Rental Fees be increased by approximately 5% with a graduated increment being provided to the Central Okanagan School District education partners (\$20,000).

The Secretary-Treasurer confirmed the rental fees will continue to be tiered. The District does have sites that are rented through Joint Use Agreements which are separate contracts, the fees for which are noted in the various Agreements.

MAIN 16P-059 CARRIED

#### District Operations Savings:

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16P-060 MOVED by Trustee Mossman, SECONDED by Trustee Tiede

THAT: The District implement a District Wellness Support System (\$100,000).

In response to a query from the Board, the Superintendent of Schools/CEO confirmed the program would be co-developed with all of the District's employee groups and that the cost of the Wellness Support System supervisor is factored into the potential savings.

MAIN 16P-060 CARRIED

Main

16P-061 MOVED by Trustee Mossman, SECONDED by Trustee Butler

THAT: No inflationary adjustments be provided for supplies and services (\$400,000).

In response to a query from the Board, the Director of Finance advised a portion of the savings will arise as a result of reduced costs with provincial telecommunications providers, reduced photocopying charges and the ability to provide supplies at reduced costs overall.

MAIN 16P-061 CARRIED

Main

16P-062 MOVED by Trustee Mossman, SECONDED by Trustee Tiede

THAT: The budget for Transportation Services be reduced by \$50,000.

The Board discussed potential route optimization.

Amendment

16P-063 MOVED by Trustee Mossman,

THAT: The Board of Education direct Central Okanagan School District Staff to bring forward a recommendation that would provide a \$50,000 reduction in the Operations Budget without the need to cancel bus routes.

NO SECONDER NO DEBATE

Amendment

16P-064 MOVED by Trustee Mossman, SECONDED by Trustee Tiede

THAT: The budget for Transportation Services be reduced by \$50,000 with any proposed changes coming back to the Board of Education before being implemented.

**CARRIED** 

**OPPOSED:** Trustee Cacchioni and Trustee Gorman

MAIN 16P-062 AS AMENDED BY AMENDMENT 16P-064

THAT: The budget for Transportation Services be reduced by \$50,000 with any proposed changes coming back to the Board of Education before being implemented.

**CARRIED** 

**OPPOSED: Trustee Cacchioni and Trustee Gorman** 

Main

16P-065 MOVED by Trustee Mossman, SECONDED by Trustee Butler

THAT: The budget to support district meetings be reduced by \$25,000.

**CARRIED** 

Main

16P-066 MOVED by Trustee Mossman, SECONDED by Trustee Butler

THAT: The budget for LSA professional development be reduced by \$10,000.

**CARRIED** 

**OPPOSED: Trustee Cacchioni** 

Main

16P-067 MOVED by Trustee Mossman, SECONDED by Trustee Tiede

THAT: The budget for Custodial Services be reduced by \$225,000.

Discussion arose regarding the impact the reduction in custodial services may have on the cleanliness of schools. The Superintendent of Schools/CEO noted the elimination of four FTE Custodial positions could be achieved through attrition through retirements and that four will have their positions changed.

MAIN 16P-067 CARRIED

**OPPOSED: Trustee Baxter and Trustee Butler** 

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16P-068 MOVED by Trustee Mossman, SECONDED by Trustee Butler

THAT: The budget for District Supported Field Lining be reduced by \$20,000.

**CARRIED** 

Main

16P-069 MOVED by Trustee Mossman, SECONDED by Trustee Butler

THAT: The budget for portable moves be reduced by \$50,000.

The Secretary-Treasurer advised that the cost of moving a portable can range from \$50,000 upwards to \$100,000 and depends on the foundation that is required as mandated by local government bylaws.

MAIN 16P-069 CARRIED

Main

16P-070 MOVED by Trustee Mossman, SECONDED by Trustee Tiede

THAT: The budget for equipment repair be reduced by \$50,000.

**CARRIED** 

Main

16P-071 MOVED by Trustee Mossman, SECONDED by Trustee Butler

THAT: The budget for general supplies and services for District administrative and operational budgets be reduced by \$25,000.

CARRIED

## District Instructional Savings:

Main

16P-072 MOVED by Trustee Mossman, SECONDED by Trustee Tiede

THAT: The budget for Clerical Support be reduced by \$25,000.

**CARRIED** 

Main

16P-073 MOVED by Trustee Mossman, SECONDED by Trustee Butler

THAT: The budget for the Technology Program be reduced by \$500,000.

**CARRIED** 

Main

16P-074 MOVED by Trustee Mossman, SECONDED by Trustee Butler

THAT: The budgets for District Instructional Support and the Instructional Leadership

Programs be reduced by \$376,000.

**CARRIED** 

Main

16P-075 MOVED by Trustee Mossman, SECONDED by Trustee Butler

**THAT:** The budget for Special Education be reduced by \$75,000.

**CARRIED** 

Main

16P-076 MOVED by Trustee Mossman, SECONDED by Trustee Tiede

THAT: The budgets for general supplies and services for District instructional budgets be

reduced by \$25,000.

**CARRIED** 

Savings in School Allocations:

Main

16P-077 MOVED by Trustee Mossman, SECONDED by Trustee Butler

THAT: The funding to schools be reduced by \$660,000.

**CARRIED** 

**Anticipated District Surplus:** 

Main

16P-078 MOVED by Trustee Mossman, SECONDED by Trustee Tiede

THAT: \$225,000 of the anticipated District surplus be applied.

**CARRIED** 

7:47 pm: The CUPE President left the meeting

#### 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 of Schools/CEO had no emergent issues to report

#### **BCPSEA Employment Liability Insurance Fees**

The Superintendent of Schools/CEO advised there has been a change in the way labour practices are occurring in the Province and there is now an insurance model in place for all Step 3 Grievances. Every district must participate in the program, each will be charged a premium and the Central Okanagan School District's cost will be approximately \$100,000.

# #GETLOUD for Mental Health Pledge - Canadian Mental Health Association

The Board reviewed the material which will be provided to each school.

#### **Suspension Summary Report: 2009/2010 – 2014/2015**

The Board initially received this information at the April 13, 2016 Board of Education Public Meeting. The information was reviewed by the Board. The Superintendent of Schools/CEO commented that indefinite suspensions are down and the District continues to monitor its' processes regarding suspensions and supporting students to return to the classroom.

#### **Field Trips 2015/2016**

The Board reviewed the information provided.

#### Letter from the Office of the Ombudsperson – Files Closed from January 1 to March 31, 2016

The Board reviewed the information provided.

#### **BCTF Updated Graduation Requirements Review Brief**

The Board reviewed the information provided.

#### **General Statement**

The Board reviewed the information provided.

#### BOARD/DISTRICT COMMITTEE QUERIES/COMMENTS AND REPORTS

The Director of Instruction K-12 provided an update pertaining to the work done by the French Immersion Task Force and noted that the four bundled options which were prepared by the Task Force will be moving forward to the Board of Education for review. The Director further noted that the immediate actions that are contained in the proposal will have a suggested implementation date of September 2017.

#### **BOARD CORRESPONDENCE**

**Sent:** 

#### **Received:** Correspondence Directed to the Board

Ministry of Education, Office of the Deputy Minister, April 19, 2016 regarding budget pressures

# Summary of Copies of Letters received by the Board

Ministry of Education, Office of the Deputy Minister, April 14, 2016 regarding expedited process for the approval of the Integrated Resource packages for Indigenous languages

BCSTA, dated April 18, 2016 regarding Annual Review of the MOU between BCSTA and the Ministry of Education

Ministry of Education, Office of the Deputy Minister, dated April 18, 2016 regarding inclusion of part-time teachers and teachers' on-call in curriculum implementation/professional development activities

British Columbia Public School Employers' Association, April 19, 2016 regarding 2016 Census Collections Message

Ministry of Education, April 25, 2016 regarding *Budget 2016* – Additional Preliminary Funding Allocations

Ministry of Education, April 25, 2016 regarding Additional Funding for Education in 2016/2017

*Main* 16P-079

MOVED by Trustee Butler, SECONDED by Trustee Mossman

THAT: At the April 27, 2016 Public Board Meeting, the Board receive the correspondence listed above. CARRIED

#### ITEMS REQUIRING SPECIAL MENTION

The Superintendent of Schools/CEO acknowledged and recognized the Central Okanagan Bursary and Scholarship Society (COBSS) which held their Information and Donor Appreciation High Tea earlier in the day. 524 bursaries/scholarships were awarded with a total amount of \$424,000 being provided to students.

#### BC PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYERS' ASSOCIATION

#### BC SCHOOL TRUSTEES ASSOCIATION

# **Canadian School Boards Association 2016 Congress**

Date: July 7-19, 2016

Location: Delta Winnipeg, Winnipeg, MB

#### **FUTURE MEETINGS**

#### REGULARLY SCHEDULED BOARD MEETINGS

Regular Public Board Meeting Wednesday, May 11, 2016 at 6:00 p.m., School Board Office

Regular Public Board Meeting Wednesday, May 25, 2016 at 6:00 p.m., School Board Office

#### **BOARD STANDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

Human Resources and Staff Services Wednesday, May 4, 2016 at 4:30 pm at the School Board Office

Education and Student Services Wednesday, May 4, 2016 at 5:30 pm at the School Board Office

# BOARD MEETINGS WITH PARTNER AND COMMUNITY GROUPS

Board of Education Meeting with Peachland Mayor and Council DATE: Tuesday, June 14, 2016

NOTICES OF MOTION	
ITEMS FOR A FUTURE AGENDA	
ADJOURNMENT: The Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 7:52 pm	
Chairperson	Secretary-Treasurer