



CENTRAL OKANAGAN PUBLIC SCHOOLS - BOARD COMMITTEE REPORT

Education and Student Services Committee Public Meeting

Wednesday, January 18, 2023, 6:00 pm

**School Board Office
1040 Hollywood Road S.
Kelowna, BC**

Board of Education: Trustee A. Geistlinger, Chair
Trustee J. Fraser, Committee Member
Trustee V. Johnson, Committee Member
Trustee C. Desrosiers
Trustee L. Tiede

Staff: Kevin Kaardal, Superintendent of Schools/CEO (*Arrived at 6:05 pm*)
Terry-Lee Beaudry, Deputy Superintendent of Schools
Yvonne Hildebrandt, Executive Assistant (Recorder)

Partner Groups: Lori Dawson Bedard, COTA 1st Vice-President
Nicola Baker, COPAC Vice-President
Jared Birkeland, COPVPA Vice-President
Jessica Teasdale, CUPE Executive Member
Mehak Parihar, DSC Co-President, Grade 12 at RSS
Winnie Jiang, DSC, Grade 11 at OKM

**The Central Okanagan Board of Education acknowledged that this meeting was being held
on the unceded, Traditional Territory of the Okanagan People.**

AGENDA

*Move: Information Item 7.1 Indigenous-Focused Graduation Requirement Course Proposal:
Revised Board/Authority Authorized (BAA) Course – Indigenous Art Studio 12 to Action Item 6.2.*

January 18, 2023 Committee Agenda - approved as amended.

REPORTS/MATTERS ARISING

Education and Student Services Committee Report – November 16, 2022

November 16, 2022 Committee Report - received as distributed.

RECOGNITION/PRESENTATION/DELEGATIONS

Indigenous-Focused Graduation Requirement – Video

Jasmine Lemon, Acting District Vice-Principal – Indigenous Education, provided an at-a-glance poster with essential information and answers to frequently asked questions about the upcoming Indigenous-Focused Graduation Requirement. Students graduating in the 2023-2024 school year with a BC Dogwood Diploma will need to complete 4 credits of an Indigenous-focused course. A video, recently released by the Ministry of Education and Child Care and the First Nations Education Steering Committee (FNESC), was shared which provided more detailed information. The poster and the video are available for viewing on the District website.

Evidence of Learning Continuum (K-12)

Jordan Kleckner, Director of Instruction – Learning and Innovation, provided an update on the Evidence of Learning Continuum (K-12) project. Prior to 2021, the District had a Central Okanagan Literacy Plan, an existing K-12 Assessment Plan, and Policy 506 – Principles of Assessment Policy. As the understanding of assessment evolved over time, it became important to engage with District Administrators and educators to garner feedback and gather information to improve learning assessment practices. In spring 2022, the District Assessment and Communicating Student Learning Committee reviewed all the evidence gathered and mapped out key themes and trends. Currently, there are various lead teams focusing on the development of the K-12 Evidence of Learning Continuum by exploring potential K-12 numeracy assessment tools, reviewing current K-12 literacy assessments, building an assessment and reporting website, providing Student Reporting Guidelines, and considering professional learning and helpful resources to improve assessment practices.

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

Central Okanagan Public Schools Student Reporting Guidelines (K-12)

Jordan Kleckner, Director of Instruction – Learning and Innovation, provided an update on the proposed Central Okanagan Public Schools K-9 Student Reporting Guidelines and the Grade 10-12 Student Reporting Guidelines. Province-wide implementation of the new Ministry Reporting Policy Framework will occur in the 2023-2024 school year.

Outcome:

The Committee recommended that the Board of Education approve the Central Okanagan Public Schools Student Reporting Guidelines (K-12) (to be fully implemented in the 2023-2024 school year), as attached to the Agenda, and as presented at the January 18, 2023 Education and Student Services Committee Meeting.

Indigenous-Focused Graduation Requirement Course Proposal: Revised Board/Authority Authorized (BAA) Course – Indigenous Art Studio 12

Jasmine Lemon, Acting District Vice-Principal – Indigenous Education, presented the revised Board/Authority Authorized (BAA) Indigenous Art Studio 12 course. It is intended that the BAA course, Indigenous Art Studio 12, along with the formal letter of support from Westbank First Nation, be submitted to the Ministry of Education and Child Care and the First Nations Education Steering Committee (FNESC) for approval as meeting the new Indigenous-focused

graduation requirement, thereby providing an additional option for graduating students to satisfy the requirements of the BC Dogwood Diploma.

Outcome:

The Committee recommended that the Board of Education review and re-approve the revised Board/Authority Authorized (BAA) Course Proposal – Indigenous Art Studio 12 as meeting the Indigenous-Focused Graduation Requirement, as attached to the Agenda, and as presented at the January 18, 2023 Education and Student Services Committee Meeting.

DISCUSSION/INFORMATION ITEMS

Supporting Student Health Guide (Elementary) and Supporting Student Health Guide (Secondary)

Al Lalonde, Assistant Superintendent, provided an overview of the Ministry of Education and Child Care's Supporting Student Health Guides – Elementary (2022) and Secondary (2022). These teaching guides were recently updated by the Ministry and are meant to provide teachers with a useful starting point for teaching a variety of health education topics.

RECOMMENDATIONS/REFERRALS TO THE BOARD/COORDINATING COMMITTEE/OTHER COMMITTEES

Public Board Meeting Action Items

- *Central Okanagan Public Schools Student Reporting Guidelines (K-12)*
- *Indigenous-Focused Graduation Requirement Course Proposal: Revised Board/Authority Authorized (BAA) Course – Indigenous Art Studio 12*

ITEMS FOR FUTURE EDUCATION AND STUDENT SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETINGS

February 15, 2023

- Proposals for Board/Authority Authorized Courses
- Proposals for Substantive Change

April 19, 2023

- Proposals for Board/Authority Authorized Courses
- Sexual Health Education (Level 1 Review)
Assistant Superintendent (A. Lalonde)

May 17, 2023

- Draft Program Review Cycle & Meeting Schedule 2023-2024
- Cultural Performances Program (Level 2 Review)
Assistant Superintendent (R. Steen)

June 21, 2023

REVIEW LEGEND

Level One Review

- District-wide surveys involving all stakeholders
- Focus Groups
- Interviews with key staff and clients

Level Two Review

- Surveys to a representative sample group of stakeholders
- Optional Focus Groups and personnel interviews as appropriate

Level Three Review

Limited or no surveying and/or interviews to gather informal feedback

FUTURE EDUCATION AND STUDENT SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETINGS

All meetings start at 6:00 pm.

February 15, 2023; April 19, 2023; May 17, 2023; and June 21, 2023.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:23 pm.

Questions - Please Contact:

Trustee Amy Geistlinger, Chair at Amy.Geistlinger@sd23.bc.ca

Terry-Lee Beaudry, Deputy Superintendent of Schools at 250-470-3225 or Terry.Beaudry@sd23.bc.ca

Amy Geistlinger, Chair