



CENTRAL OKANAGAN PUBLIC SCHOOLS - BOARD COMMITTEE REPORT

**Planning and Facilities Committee
Public Meeting**

**Wednesday, March 4, 2020, 4:00 pm
School Board Office
1040 Hollywood Road S
Kelowna, BC**

Board of Education: Trustee C. Desrosiers, Chairperson
Trustee R. Cacchioni, Committee Member
Trustee J. Fraser, Committee Member
Trustee M. Baxter

Staff: Mitch Van Aller, Director of Operations
Ryan Stierman, Secretary-Treasurer/CFO
David Widdis, Planning Manager
Terry Beaudry, Deputy Superintendent of Schools (*arrived at 4:10 pm*)
Michelle DesRochers, Executive Assistant (recorder)

Absent: Kevin Kaardal, Superintendent of Schools/CEO
Stuart Kamstra, Assistant Director of Operations

Partner Groups: Susan Bauhart, COTA President
David Tether, CUPE President
Cherylee Morrison, COPAC President
Ryan Ward, COPVPA Middle School Representative

There were no representatives from the District Student Council.

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

AGENDA

March 4, 2020 Committee Agenda - approved as presented.

REPORTS/MATTERS ARISING

Planning and Facilities Committee Public Meeting Report - February 5, 2020

February 5, 2020 Committee Report - received as distributed.

PUBLIC QUESTION/COMMENT PERIOD

Bruce Hedmann: Mr. Hedmann, on behalf of Emily Cederholm, expressed concerns on the proposal to eliminate bus route 314 - South Kelowna to École Casorso Elementary School and requested that the Committee reconsider the proposal.

4:10 pm: The Deputy Superintendent of Schools joined the meeting.

Harmony Bjarnason: Ms. Bjarnason also expressed concerns on the proposal to eliminate bus route 314 - South Kelowna to École Casorso Elementary School and requested that the Committee reconsider the proposal.

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

Review of School of Choice Bus Runs

The Secretary-Treasurer/CFO shared that on the February 26, 2020 the Board of Education reaffirmed in policy that transportation will not be provided to a school or program of choice outside a student's English catchment area, unless approved by the Board. There were two routes that were approved last year, subject to review once the work of the Transportation Task Force was completed.

The Secretary-Treasurer/CFO stated that the school of choice runs on bus routes 314 and 320 were recommended to not continue due to equity and financial concerns. The proposed continuation of the shuttle from École George Pringle Elementary to École Glenrosa Middle was recommended to continue for next school year as it is required to serve English catchment students and has capacity to accommodate French Immersion students at no additional cost to the District.

The Committee discussed the history of the three bus runs identified that are transporting student's to a school or program of choice and requested additional historical information be brought forward to the March 11, 2020 Public Board Meeting.

Outcomes

The Planning and Facilities Committee recommended to the Board:

THAT: The Board of Education approve the continuation of the accommodation of French Immersion students travelling from École George Pringle Elementary to École Glenrosa Middle as eligible riders on a bus route for the 2020-2021 school year.

THAT: The Board of Education approve the elimination of the South Kelowna to École Casorso Elementary run on Route 314.

The Planning and Facilities Committee moved:

THAT: The decision on the elimination of the Upper Mission to École Dorothea Walker Elementary run on Route 320 be deferred to the March 11, 2020 Public Board Meeting and that staff provide historical information on the run.

DISCUSSION/INFORMATION ITEMS

ALC Decision - Sports Fields for George Elliot Secondary and H.S. Grenda Middle Schools

The Director of Operations shared that the Agricultural Land Commission (ALC) approved the configuration of the sports fields for George Elliot Secondary and H.S. Grenda Middle Schools, including the addition of a gravel track around the larger sports field's perimeter. Currently, the track is a grass field and funding for the gravel track will need to be considered in future budget discussions.

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

March 11, 2020 Public Board Meeting

- Review of School of Choice Bus Runs (Action Item)

ITEMS FOR FUTURE PLANNING AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE MEETINGS

- School Bus Safety Including: Seat Belts

September

- Summer Projects Update

October

- Annual Integrated Pest Management Report

January

- Annual Review of Committee's Mandate, Purpose and Function

February

- Annual Facility Grant (AFG) Plan

May

- Transportation Update
- Capital Plan Submission

June

- Energy & Sustainability Presentation

FUTURE PLANNING AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE MEETINGS

All meetings start at 6:00 pm unless otherwise noted.

April 1, 2020, May 6, 2020, June 3, 2020

August 19, 2020 at 4:00 pm (TBC)

October 7, 2020 and November 4, 2020

MEDIA QUESTIONS

There were no media representatives present at the time of this agenda item.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4:52 pm

Questions - Please Contact:

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Chantelle Desrosiers, Chairperson