



"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.)

**The Central Okanagan Board of Education acknowledges that this meeting is being held
on the Traditional Territory of the Okanagan People.**

DATE: Wednesday, October 12, 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
Trustee C. Gorman
Trustee L. Mossman
Trustee L. Tiede

Staff:

K. Kaardal, Superintendent of Schools/CEO
L. Paul, Secretary-Treasurer
T. Beaudry, Deputy Superintendent
H. Wendt, Executive Assistant (*Recorder*)

Partner Group Representatives Attending:

COPAC	Shelley Courtney, President
COPVA	Raquel Steen, Past President
COTA	Susan Bauhart, President (<i>entered the meeting at 6:07 pm</i>) and April Smith, First Vice-President
CUPE	No representative
DSC	Claire Robb, Co-President (Okanagan Mission Secondary School) and Saul Rosal, Co-President (George Elliot Secondary School)

ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:03 pm.

AGENDA

Additions/Amendments/Deletions

Main

16P-146 MOVED by Trustee Butler, SECONDED by Trustee Tiede,
THAT: The Agenda for the October 12, 2016 Public Board Meeting be adopted as presented.
CARRIED

MINUTES

Public Board Meeting – September 28, 2016

Main

16P-147

MOVED by Trustee Fraser, SECONDED by Trustee Mossman,

THAT: The Minutes of the Public Board Meeting of September 28, 2016 be adopted as distributed.

CARRIED

ABSTAINED: Trustee Gorman

RECOGNITION/PRESENTATION/DELEGATIONS

Presentation: “Inside 23”

International Education

Assistant Superintendent, Dr. Rick Oliver, acknowledged the work and commitment of the International Education Homestay Coordinators, teachers and home-stay families, all of whom have helped to build the International Education program. Approximately 500 students, from 32 countries, are now part of our community. Karlee Sieben, one of the International Homestay Coordinators, and Carolina Morena Pelaez, the International Education Activities Coordinator, were introduced and they explained their roles within the International Education division. One of the goals is to endeavour to ensure that the students are connected not only to the school they are registered at, but to the community as a whole.

The Assistant Superintendent presented the promotional video being used to market the International Education Program which highlights all that the Central Okanagan Public Schools and the Okanagan Valley has to offer.

Introduction of New /Vice-Principals and COSBO Members

- Karlee Sieben, International Homestay Coordinator
- Adrian Zuyderduyn, Vice-Principal, Black Mountain Elementary School
- Carolina Morena Pelaez, International Education Activities Coordinator

The Board of Education welcomed and congratulated the above staff members to their new positions within the District.

Recognition: Colleen Edstrom, Roots of Empathy

The Board of Education recognized Colleen Edstrom for her work with the Roots of Empathy program. Ms. Edstrom provided an overview of the program, highlighting the benefits of the interaction between newborns and their parents, and the school aged children over the course of nine months. Eighteen instructors lead the program, which consists of 27 lessons. Students in Kindergarten to Grade 1, Grade 3 and Grades 5 and 6 participate in the Roots of Empathy.

6:36 pm: The meeting was recessed.

6:38 pm: The District Student Council representatives left the meeting.

6:40 pm: The meeting was reconvened.

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 Fraser

Queried whether the District has any plans to increase the scope of the Roots of Empathy Program in schools on the Westside.

The Board Chair commented that further instructors would be required, as well as newborns and parents, to participate. The Superintendent of Schools/CEO advised that the Roots of Empathy is not a District program, but a community one and expansion is determined by the Roots of Empathy Coordinator depending on the number of trained instructors that are available.

ACTION ITEMS

Proposals for Substantive Change

Trustee Tiede, Chair of the Education and Student Services Committee, provided an overview of discussions held at the October 5, 2016 Committee Meeting. It was noted that the 'Taste of Trades' program will enable Grade 10 and 11 students to obtain a sample of different trades that may be of interest to them as future careers. This program will be held in the Quigley Elementary school annex starting in the second semester of 2016/2017.

Main
16P-148

MOVED by Trustee Tiede, SECONDED by Trustee Butler,

THAT: The Board of Education approve the Proposal for Substantive Change – Taste of Trades Program, as attached to the Agenda, and as presented at the October 12, 2016 Public Board Meeting.

The Secretary-Treasurer, in response to a query from the Board, confirmed that if, at some point in the future Quigley Elementary School, including the Annex, is converted to a middle school, alternate arrangements would be put in place for a site to host this program. There would be ample lead time to effect the change.

MAIN 16P-148

CARRIED

Trustee Tiede, Chair of the Education and Student Services Committee, provided an overview of discussions held at the October 5, 2016 Committee Meeting. It was noted that the Education Assistant Certificate program will begin in the second semester of 2016/2017.

Main
16P-149

MOVED by Trustee Tiede, SECONDED by Trustee Butler,

THAT: The Board of Education approve the Proposal for Substantive Change – George Elliot Secondary Education Assistant Certificate Program, as attached to the Agenda, and as presented at the October 12, 2016 Public Board Meeting.

CARRIED

Springvalley Middle School – Outdoor Education Academy Fee Increase

Trustee Tiede, Chair of the Education and Student Services Committee, provided an overview of discussions held at the October 5, 2016 Committee Meeting. If approved, the fee would increase by \$75.00 per year from \$150 to \$225.

Main
16P-150

MOVED by Trustee Tiede, SECONDED by Trustee Butler,

THAT: The Board of Education approve the proposed fee increase for the Outdoor Education Academy (Springvalley Middle School), as attached to the Agenda, and as presented at the October 12, 2016 Public Board Meeting.

In response to queries from the Board, the Deputy Superintendent confirmed the new fee is comparable to other outdoor education programs. The hardship policy is in place which allows parents to request partial or full subsidies of the fee. Further, feedback from students, parents and teachers has been that this program provides students with the opportunity to experience outdoor education and travel beyond the City of Kelowna.

MAIN 16P-150

CARRIED

New Policy 506 – Principles of Assessment

Trustee Tiede, Chair of the Education and Student Services Committee, provided an overview of discussions held at the October 5, 2016 Committee Meeting.

Main
16P-151

MOVED by Trustee Tiede, SECONDED by Trustee Cacchioni,

THAT: The Board of Education approve new Policy 506 – Principles of Assessment, as attached to the Agenda, and as presented at the October 12, 2016 Public Board Meeting.

Trustees suggested various amendments to the Policy, which will be effected by District staff. The Deputy Superintendent advised the draft policy was vetted by the Education and Student Services Committee and was discussed at the Joint Educational Change Committee. The wording of the draft Policy was reviewed and modified as necessary to reflect the redesigned curriculum. The Deputy Superintendent further noted that if the new Policy 506 is approved, the District will subsequently move forward with a reporting policy. Principals, Vice-Principals, teachers, parents and senior staff will be involved in this process.

MAIN 16P-151

CARRIED

Aboriginal Education Council - Terms of Reference

Main
16P-152

MOVED by Trustee Butler, SECONDED by Trustee Mossman,

THAT: The Board of Education approve the amended Aboriginal Education Council's Terms of Reference, as attached to the Agenda, and as presented at the October 12, 2016 Public Board Meeting.

Trustee Butler noted the amendment in the Terms of Reference recognizes five meetings instead of the current four, which now includes the annual budget meeting.

MAIN 16P-152

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.

Raquel Steen, Past President of COPVPA and Principal at Mount Boucherie Secondary School, requested clarification regarding the Education Assistant Certificate program and access granted to the students as they serve their practicum.

The Superintendent of Schools/CEO confirmed the individuals are deemed students, not employees, and clarification regarding access to the portal, staff rooms, confidential information, etc., will be clearly delineated.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Superintendent's Emergent Issues

The Superintendent of Schools/CEO had no emergent matters to report.

Student Transportation Grant - Update

The Secretary-Treasurer advised the District is currently beginning the process of refunding transportation fees to parents of eligible riders. Transportation subsidy forms should continue to be processed and forwarded to the Secretary-Treasurer's office. Modifications will be made to the subsidy process prior to the next school year which will make registering for transportation a more streamlined process. Information will be distributed shortly to parents regarding the refund.

Trustee Attendance at Remembrance Day Ceremonies

Kelowna – Trustee Tiede and Trustee Gorman

Lake Country – Trustee Butler

Peachland – Trustee Baxter

Rutland – Trustee Cacchioni and Trustee Mossman

West Kelowna – Trustee Fraser

Summer Projects - 2016

The Board reviewed the information provided.

Level 4 and 5 Field Study Summary – 2016/2017

The Board reviewed the information provided.

General Statement

The Board reviewed the information provided. Trustee Gorman advised that had he been able to attend the September 28, 2016 Board of Education Incamera meeting, he would have recused himself from the two Human Resources Action Items due to a potential conflict of interest.

BOARD/DISTRICT COMMITTEE QUERIES/COMMENTS AND REPORTS

BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

Sent:

Received: Correspondence Directed to the Board

Summary of Copies of Letters received by the Board

SD No. 5 (Southeast Kootenay), September 20, 2016, to Minister of Education, regarding submission deadlines of September 30, 2016

SD No. 43 (Coquitlam), September 20, 2016, to Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services, regarding serious concerns about the state of education funding in BC

SD No. 38 (Richmond), September 21, 2016, to Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services, regarding K-12 public education system

Ministry of Education, September 27, 2016, regarding new policy for testing lead content in drinking water

Ministry of Education, October 3, 2016, regarding the Ministry's survey on the impact of refugee students for the 2016/17 school year

Ministry of Education, October 4, 2016, regarding impacts of the recent update to the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders (DSM-5) on special education funding

Ministry of Education, October 4, 2016, regarding process to engage with families around the province on student reporting

SD No. 69 (Qualicum), October 4, 2016, to Minister of Education, regarding Select Standing Committee on Finance

SD. No. 69 (Qualicum), October 4, 2016, to Minister of Education, regarding Foundation Skills Assessment (FSA)

Main
16P-153

MOVED by Trustee Gorman, SECONDED by Trustee Butler,

THAT: At the October 12, 2016 Public Board Meeting, the Board receive the correspondence listed above.

CARRIED

ITEMS REQUIRING SPECIAL MENTION

Trustee Mossman advised he has been pleased to notice that motorists appear to be slowing down in school zones in adherence with the new times posted on the signs.

Trustee Cacchioni advised that Rutland Secondary and Kelowna Secondary schools are playing football at the Apple Bowl Friday evening, October 14, 2016. He urged everyone to come out and support the teams.

Regional French Immersion Public Consultation Meetings have been scheduled:

- Monday, October 17, 2016 - École KLO Middle School Library, 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm
- Tuesday, October 18, 2016 – Hollywood Road Education Centre, Room 2, 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm
- Monday, October 24, 2016 – Mount Boucherie Secondary School, Multi-Purpose Room, 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

BC PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYERS' ASSOCIATION

BC SCHOOL TRUSTEES ASSOCIATION

Ministry of Education – Second Annual Liaison Meeting

Date: October 26, 2016

Location: Richmond, BC

Meeting of Board Chairs

Date: October 27, 2016

Location: Pacific Gateway Hotel, Richmond, BC

October Provincial Council Meeting

Date: October 28-29, 2016

Location: Wosk Center, Vancouver, BC

Learning Forward Annual Conference

Date: December 3-7, 2016

Location: Vancouver Convention Centre

FUTURE MEETINGS

REGULARLY SCHEDULED BOARD MEETINGS

Regular Public Board Meeting

Wednesday, November 2, 2016 at 6:00 p.m., School Board Office

Regular Public Board Meeting

Wednesday, November 16, 2016 at 6:00 p.m., School Board Office

BOARD STANDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Planning and Facilities

Wednesday, October 19, 2016 at 4:30 pm at the School Board Office - **CANCELLED**

Finance and Legal

Wednesday, October 19, 2016 at 6:30 pm at the School Board Office – **CANCELLED**

NOTICES OF MOTION

ITEMS FOR A FUTURE AGENDA

- *Policy for Learning Commons*
- *Central Okanagan Public Schools Logo/Graphic Standards Report*

ADJOURNMENT: The Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 7:09 pm.

Chairperson

Secretary-Treasurer