



BOARD OF EDUCATION BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

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

Date: Wednesday, September 11, 2019

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1. Student Perspectives

In attendance:

École Kelowna Secondary School

Troy White, Principal

Students:

Tyson Embree, Grade 12

Megan Lindsay, Grade 12

École Dorothea Walker Elementary School

Raelyn Larmet, Vice-Principal

Students:

Charlie Rootes, Kindergarten

Margaux Momer, Kindergarten

The students spoke of their excitement of the first few days of school.

Introduction

1. Ryan Stierman, Secretary-Treasurer/CFO

The Board of Education welcomed Secretary-Treasurer/CFO, Ryan Stierman, to the School District.

Staff Presentations:

1. Superintendent of Schools/CEO: 2019 School Opening Report – Part 1

Presenters:

Kevin Kaardal, Superintendent of Schools/CEO

Kevin Kaardal, Superintendent of Schools/CEO for the Central Okanagan Public Schools, presented the 2019 School Opening Report Part 1. This Report covers the time period of July 1 through September 6, 2019 and provides an update regarding the first four days of the school year. Once all of the adjustments are made, it is anticipated that the District will experience an overall increase in enrolment over the last year. Detailed enrolment numbers, organized by schools and zones, will be provided in Part 2 of the School Opening Report at the September 25th Public Board Meeting, as well as following the September 30th 1701 submission to the Ministry of Education. (The School Opening Report – Part 1 is available on the Central Okanagan Public Schools website.)

Action Items:

1. Formation of the Canyon Falls Middle School Parent Advisory Council (PAC)

The Board of Education approved the application from the Canyon Falls Middle School parents for the establishment of the Canyon Falls Middle School Parent Advisory Council in accordance with Section 8 of the *BC School Act*.

2. Portable Annex at George Elliot Secondary School

The Board of Education directed staff to invite the YMCA and Okanagan Regional Library to have further discussions with staff regarding the future use of the portable annex at George Elliot Secondary School.

3. City of West Kelowna Cannabis Store Approval

The Board of Education referred the August 21, 2019 Planning and Facilities Committee recommendation regarding Cannabis Outlets to the Safe Schools Committee, and that the Safe Schools Committee review the status of Drug Free Zones around schools

Information Items:

The Board of Education reviewed the following:

1. Level 4 and 5 Field Study Summary – 2019/2020
2. General Statement – June 26, 2019
3. General Statement – July 3, 2019
4. Transportation Services Department Update
The Transportation Services Department Update memo has been posted to the School District website (www.sd23.bc.ca).
5. Transportation Update – Communication and Status
The Transportation Update – Communication and Status memo has been posted to the District website (www.sd23.bc.ca).
6. Trustee Attendance at COPAC Meetings – September 2019 to June 2020
7. City of Kelowna Request for Letter of Support re Parks and Recreation Cost Charge

Items Requiring Special Mention:

Trustees and the Superintendent reported on the following:

1. Trustees spoke of their attendance at many events throughout the District including the Operations Annual Staff Appreciation Barbeque held in gratitude of their work over the summer preparing for school opening. A special mention was made regarding the Honouring the Land Ceremony for the new Awasisak Head Start Program at South Rutland Elementary School. This program highlights the District's partnership with the Kelowna Metis Society.
2. The Superintendent presented to the Canadian Ministers of Education Conference in Victoria in July. The topic was Reimagining Education. The presentation centered on requesting Ministries to create policy that support inter-ministerial cooperation to best meet the complex needs of students and their families.
3. The Central Okanagan School District has reached out to provide services/resources to School District No. 73 (Kamloops-Thompson) in response to the recent fire which destroyed Parkcrest Elementary School.

Next Public Board Meeting

Regular Public Board Meeting
Wednesday, September 25, 2019
6:00 pm
School Board Office, 1040 Hollywood Road S.

Board Standing Committee Meetings

Wednesday, September 18, 2019

4:00 pm Finance and Audit Committee

6:00 pm Planning and Facilities Committee

School Board Office, 1040 Hollywood Road S.

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