

BOARD OF EDUCATION BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

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

Date: Wednesday, May 26, 2021

By Zoom

The Board Chair, on behalf of the Board of Education, expressed condolences to the families, students and staff of the KSS community. Earlier this morning we were made aware of the sudden death of three of our Grade 12 students in a single-vehicle accident. The District's Post-Critical Incident Response Team (PCIRT) was on site to support the students and staff at KSS today. We will continue to have supports in place at the school for as long as needed, through our dedicated counsellors and staff. The flag at KSS is flying at half-mast in their honour. Our thoughts are with students' families and friends and all affected by this tragic accident.

Central Okanagan Public Schools - "Inside 23"

1. Hope – Theme for 2021/2022

The theme of Hope for 2021/2022 was revealed by a video featuring Kevin Kaardal, Superintendent of Schools/CEO and retired Director of Instruction, Norm Bradley.

Recognition:

1. Letter from the Central Okanagan Music Educators' Association

The Board Chair referenced a letter the Board of Education received from Chris Perry, Music Director at Mount Boucherie Secondary School and President of the Central Okanagan Music Educators' Association. Mr. Perry commended and thanked all Principals and Vice-Principals for their outstanding work in supporting and caring for music teachers during the COVID-19 pandemic. Scott Sieben, President of the Central Okanagan Principals' and Vice-Principals' Association, has conveyed the commendations to all Principals and Vice-Principals.

Declarations:

1. National AccessAbility Week - May 30 through June 5, 2021

The Central Okanagan Board of Education declared May 30 through June 5, 2021 as National AccessAbility Week in Central Okanagan Public Schools.

"National AccessAbility Week is an opportunity:

- to celebrate the valuable contributions of Canadians with disabilities
- to recognize the efforts of individuals, communities and workplaces that are actively working to remove barriers to accessibility and inclusion."

2. Pride Month

The Central Okanagan Board of Education declared June as "Pride Month" in Central Okanagan Public Schools.

Pride Month is celebrated every June in tribute to those involved in the Stonewall Riots that took place on June 28, 1969. As well as being a month-long celebration, Pride Month is also an opportunity to peacefully protest and raise political awareness of current issues facing the community.

Staff Presentation:

1. Recommendation for New Westside Secondary School Site

Presenter: Ryan Stierman, Secretary-Treasurer/CFO

The Secretary-Treasurer/CFO provided a PowerPoint presentation reviewing the recommendation coming forth to the Board of Education for a new Westside Secondary School.

Action Items:

1. Recommendation for New Westside Secondary School Site

The Board of Education approved the following Motions:

THAT: Subject to funding approval by the Ministry of Education that the École George Pringle Elementary School site be repurposed for a new Secondary school.

THAT: The Board of Education relocates the École George Pringle Elementary School English program to the Webber Road Elementary School site effective September 2022.

THAT: The Board of Education conducts a comprehensive community consultation starting in the Fall of 2021 to establish the elementary French Immersion Program site(s) on the Westside for the start of September 2022.

THAT: The Board of Education conducts a comprehensive community consultation starting in the Fall of 2021 to establish new elementary, middle and secondary catchments for the Westside family of schools.

THAT: The Board of Education develops a clear and measurable plan to address the needs of students transitioning from George Pringle Elementary School prior to the relocation.

2. Amendments to Policy 486 – Student Use of Electronic and Social Media Communication

The Board of Education approved the amendments to Policy 486 – Student Use of Electronic and Social Media Communication.

 Amendments to Policy 645 – Video Surveillance Closed Circuit Television (CCTV) and Amendments to Regulations 645R – Video Surveillance Closed Circuit Television (CCTV) Regulations

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4. Enhancement Agreement – Pearson Road Elementary School GaGa Ball Court

The Board of Education agreed to enter into an Enhancement Agreement with Pearson Road Elementary School for the creation of a GaGa Ball Court.

5. Enhancement Agreement – Bankhead Elementary School GaGa Ball Court

The Board of Education agreed to enter into an Enhancement Agreement with Bankhead Elementary School PAC for the creation of a GaGa Ball Court.

6. Indigenous Education Preliminary Budget (2021/2022 Fiscal Year)

The Board of Education approved staff's proposed 2021/2022 Indigenous Education Program Preliminary Budget.

Information Items:

1. Superintendent's Emergent Items

The Superintendent of Schools/CEO referenced the recent tragedy involving the passing of three grade 12 students and confirmed the supports being provided to the KSS community.

2. Superintendent's COVID-19 Update

- The Provincial Government recently released the 'B.C.'s Restart Four Step Plan' to bring a slow and gradual return to normalcy.
- The number of exposures in the Central Okanagan Public Schools' community continue to decrease. Schools in the Rutland area have been impacted by recent exposures and are being monitored in collaboration with Interior Health.
- Registrations for vaccines are now being accepted for students between the ages of 12-18.

The Board of Education reviewed the following:

- 1. Level 4 and 5 Field Study Summary 2020/2021
- **2**. General Statement May 12, 2021
- **3.** Overview of the Services of the Transportation Department
- **4.** COPVPA Executive 2021-2022

The Board of Education congratulated the new executive for the COPVPA for 2021-2022.

- **5.** COTA Executive 2021-2022
 - The Board of Education congratulated the new executive for the COTA for 2021-2022.
- **6.** Ministry of Education Seamless Day Project

Advocacy

- 1. The postcards prepared for the advocacy of the Rutland Middle School replacement and Glenmore Secondary School project were discussed.
- 2. The video for the advocacy of the Glenmore Secondary School project was shown.

Link: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qyiMl-Apual

Next Public Board Meeting

Regular Public Board Meeting Wednesday, June 9, 2021 6:00 pm (via Zoom)

Board Standing Committee Meetings

Wednesday, June 2, 2021

4:00 pm Policy Committee Meeting (by Zoom) (Cancelled)
6:00 pm Planning and Facilities Committee Meeting (by Zoom)

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