

BOARD OF EDUCATION PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

(Second and fourth Wednesday of every month, except July and August, and the third Wednesday in March and the second Wednesday in December, at the School Board Office, at 6:00 PM.)

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

DATE: Wednesday, November 22, 2017

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 (absent)

Staff:

K. Kaardal, Superintendent of Schools/CEO

L. Paul, Secretary-Treasurer

T. Beaudry, Deputy Superintendent

E. Sadlowski, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer H. Wendt, Executive Assistant (*Recorder*)

Partner Group Representatives Attending:

COPAC No representative

COPVPA Kevin Auclair, Vice-President

COTA Susan Bauhart, President (joined the meeting at 6:08 pm)
CUPE David Tether, President (joined the meeting at 6:47 pm)

DSC No representative

ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 pm.

AGENDA

Additions/Amendments/Deletions

Add: Board Correspondence

Received: Correspondence Directed to the Board (Material for Scheduled Item)

- Email from R. Wong, November 20, 2017, regarding Trustee for Lake Country
- Email from R. Guenther, November 20, 2017, regarding Trustee Configuration.
- D. Grabavac, November 22, 2017, regarding Trustee Representation.

Main

17P-119 MOVED by Trustee Cacchioni, SECONDED by Trustee Gorman,

THAT: Agenda items 8.2 ((School Trustee Electoral Boundaries) and 8.3 (School Trustee Electoral Boundaries) be deferred until the December 13, 2017 Public Board Meeting.

DEFEATED

OPPOSED: Trustee Butler, Trustee Baxter, Trustee Mossman, Trustee Fraser

Main

17P-120 MOVED by Trustee Butler, SECONDED by Trustee Fraser,

THAT: The Agenda for the November 22, 2017 Public Board Meeting be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

OPPOSED: Trustee Gorman

6:08 pm: The COTA President joined the meeting.

MINUTES

Public Board Meeting - November 8, 2017

Main

17P-121 MOVED by Trustee Tiede, SECONDED by Trustee Butler,

THAT: The Minutes of the Public Board Meeting of November 8, 2017 be adopted as distributed.

CARRIED

ABSTAINED: Trustee Gorman and Trustee Mossman

CENTRAL OKANAGAN PUBLIC SCHOOLS - "INSIDE 23"

Innovative Learning Environment Projects

Jamie Robinson, District Principal for Leadership in Learning and Innovation, provided an overview of the Innovative Learning Environment Projects that are taking place across the District and making a significant difference for students in Central Okanagan Public Schools. The science of learning has shown how students learn best based on the '7 Principles of Learning' from the Economic Cooperation and Development.

Jared Birkeland, Principal of North Glenmore Elementary School, and grade 4 teachers Jennifer Moffat and Heather Letkeman spoke of how their school has used the 7 Principles in the redesigned curriculum. The two teachers, who share 60 students and who use innovative learning environments such as comfortable learning spaces, have found that the students are more engaged and focused.

Trent Dolgopol, Principal of École Dr. Knox Middle School, introduced grade 8 teachers Kristi Langlois and Kevin Dent. The school also utilizes the 7 Principles and has found that students are engaging in fundamental and deep learning in personalized learning environments.

A video was viewed by the Board highlighting students' experiences while engaged in meaningful project-based inquiry.

RECOGNITION/PRESENTATION/DELEGATIONS

<u>Presentation: Okanagan College Dual Credit Administrative Assistant and Office Assistant</u> <u>Programs</u>

Assistant Superintendent Vianne Kintzinger provided an overview of the Dual Credit Administrative Assistant and Office Assistant programs, noting the courses would assist Central Okanagan Public School students by providing a bridge between the classroom learning and workplace and post-secondary realities.

Brenda Ridgeley-Ketchell, Department Chair – Office Administration, Okanagan College, outlined further details about the two certification programs as well as the courses, many of which can be bridged from the Office Assistant program to the Administrative Assistant program. There are significant opportunities for students who achieve their certification in the legal, medical or administrative field.

The Board extended appreciation for the information provided.

Computer Science Education Week – December 4-10, 2017

The Board Chair made the following Declaration:

The Central Okanagan Board of Education declares December 4-10, 2017 as "Computer Science Education Week" in Central Okanagan Public Schools.

6:43 pm: The meeting was recessed. 6:47 pm: The meeting was reconvened.

6:47 pm: The CUPE President joined the meeting.

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.

Mr. David Grabavac provided comments regarding the proposed changes to the School Trustee Electoral Boundaries.

TRUSTEES QUERIES/COMMENTS

Trustee Cacchioni

Queried whether the January 2018 numeracy assessments are on track.

The Superintendent of Schools/CEO confirmed the assessments will take place as planned.

Trustee Baxter

Commented that the Remembrance Day assemblies held at the schools on Friday, November 10, 2017 were very well done and extremely respectful. The Board extended appreciation to the Administrators, staff and students for their hard work. The Superintendent of Schools/CEO also commented noting that representatives from the Royal Canadian Legions were also very impressed by the students and staff when attending the assemblies.

ACTION ITEMS

Central Okanagan Public Schools Board/Authority Authorized Courses to Retire

Main 17P-122

MOVED by Trustee Mossman, SECONDED by Trustee Fraser,

THAT: The Board of Education approve the retirement of the following BAA courses:

- Computer Assisted Machining 11
- Canadian Literature 12
- Career Explorations 10
- European Languages and Culture 11
- Experience Okanagan College 11
- Golf 12: Modern Theory
- Italian Culture 11
- Media Analysis and Current Events 11
- Recreational Vehicle Training 12
- Sailing 11 and 12
- Technology Principles 12
- Visually Impaired Technology 10, 11 and 12
- Work Readiness 11

as attached to the Agenda and presented at the November 22, 2017 Public Board Meeting.

Trustee Mossman, Chair of the Education and Student Services Committee, provided an overview of the discussion regarding this matter that took place at the November 1, 2017 Committee meeting. **MAIN 17P-122**

CARRIED

School Trustee Electoral Boundaries

Main

17P-123 MOVED by Trustee Cacchioni, SECONDED by Trustee Gorman,

THAT: In order to try and achieve the principle of representation by population, and to try and achieve voter parity, and pursuant to Section 30 (4) of the *School Act*, that Zone II and the Municipality of West Kelowna be merged into one Electoral Zone, so that two (2) Trustees at Large would be elected for the Westside.

The City of West Kelowna, in two separate letters dated July 5, 2017 and October 13, 2017, requested that the Board of Education consider a redistribution of Trustee representation by combining the entire Westside area (West Kelowna, Peachland, Westbank First Nation and the Regional District of Central Okanagan Electoral Area West) and that two Trustees represent this area.

The Board discussed the boundary change that took place six years ago and the lengthy process that was undertaken in order to accomplish the study and implement the change.

Tabling 17P-124

MOVED by Trustee Gorman,

THAT: The Board of Education table Motion 17P-123 "THAT: In order to try and achieve the principle of representation by population, and to try and achieve voter parity, and pursuant to Section 30 (4) of the School Act, that Zone II and the Municipality of West Kelowna be merged into one Electoral Zone, so that two (2) Trustees at Large would be elected for the Westside." until the December 13, 2017 Public Board Meeting.

NO SECONDER NO DEBATE

It was noted that community consultation would be part of the process that would take place in the future if the Board approved the motion. It was also noted that the District of Peachland has advised they would not be in favour of changing the Trustee representation.

MAIN 17P-123 DEFEATED

OPPOSED: Trustee Baxter, Trustee Butler, Trustee Fraser and Trustee Mossman

School Trustee Electoral Boundaries

Main

17P-125 MOVED by Trustee Cacchioni, SECONDED by Trustee Gorman,

THAT: In order to try and achieve the principle of representation by population, and to try and achieve voter parity, and pursuant to Section 30 (4) of the School Act, that the Board of Trustees be expanded to nine (9) from seven (7) and that one Trustee be added to the Municipality of West Kelowna Zone and one Trustee be added to the City of Kelowna Zone.

Amendment

17P-126 MOVED by Trustee Fraser, SECONDED by Trustee Cacchioni,

> THAT: In pursuant to Section 30(4) of the School Act, that the seven Board of Trustees be redistributed so that two are from the City of West Kelowna, three are from the City of Kelowna, one from Lake Country, and one from Peachland/Zone II.

> The Board discussed proportional representation and it was noted that Trustees, no matter which area they are representing, make decisions with the best interest of students in mind.

AMENDMENT 17P-126

DEFEATED

OPPOSED: Trustee Baxter, Trustee Butler, Trustee Cacchioni, Trustee Gorman and Trustee Mossman

MAIN 17P-125

THAT: In order to try and achieve the principle of representation by population, and to try and achieve voter parity, and pursuant to Section 30 (4) of the School Act, that the Board of Trustees be expanded to nine (9) from seven (7) and that one Trustee be added to the Municipality of West Kelowna Zone and one Trustee be added to the City of Kelowna Zone.

DEFEATED

OPPOSED: Trustee Baxter, Trustee Butler, Trustee Fraser and Trustee Mossman

7:15 pm: Trustee Gorman left the meeting.

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.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Superintendent's Emergent Issues

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

Board Policy and Regulation 631 – School Closures/Consolidation

The Board reviewed the report.

Dual Credit Administrative Assistant and Office Assistant Programs

The Superintendent of Schools/CEO advised this matter would come forward to the Board of Education Public Meeting for further action on December 13, 2017.

Level 4 and 5 Field Study Summary

The Board reviewed the information provided.

General Statement – November 8, 2017

This matter was deferred to the December 13, 2017 Public Board Meeting.

BOARD/DISTRICT COMMITTEE QUERIES/COMMENTS AND REPORTS

BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

Sent:

Received: Correspondence Directed to the Board

Central Okanagan Bursary and Scholarship Society, November 1, 2017, extending appreciation for continued support and partnership.

Stó:lō Service Agency, November 2017, regarding Winter Gala and Fundraiser.

Email from R. Wong, November 20, 2017, regarding Trustee for Lake Country.

Email from R. Guenther, November 20, 2017, regarding Trustee Configuration.

D. Grabavac, November 22, 2017, regarding Trustee Representation.

Summary of Copies of Letters received by the Board

- SD No. 34 (Abbotsford), to the Cannabis Legalization and Regulation Secretariat, October 24, 2017, regarding the Legalization of Non-Medical Cannabis, and its Potential Impact on the Abbotsford School District.
- SD No. 20 (Kootenay-Columbia) to the Minister of Education, October 24, 2017, extending congratulations on appointment as Minister of Education.
- SD No. 20 (Kootenay-Columbia) to the Minister of Finance, October 24, 2017, extending congratulations on appointment as Minister of Finance.
- Ministry of Education to Parents and Guardians, November 3, 2017, regarding Changes to the New Curriculum Implementation Schedule for Grades 10-12.
- BCSTA, BCASBO, BCSSA and BCPVPA to Minister of Finance and Minister of Education, November 3, 2017, regarding Request of the K-12 Education Management Partners to discuss the February 2018 Provincial and Education budgets.

SD No. 85 (Vancouver Island North) to the Minister of Education, November 3, 2017, regarding Student Assessment Data.

SD No. 67 (Okanagan Skaha) to Minister of Education, November 5, 2017, regarding Individual Schools' Foundations Skills Assessment (FSA) Results.

Main

17P-127 MOVED by Trustee Butler, SECONDED by Trustee Fraser,

THAT: At the November 22, 2017 Public Board Meeting, the Board receive the correspondence listed above.

CARRIED

ITEMS REQUIRING SPECIAL MENTION

BC PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYERS' ASSOCIATION

BCPSEA 24th Annual General Meeting

Date: Thursday, January 25 to Friday, January 26, 2018

Location: Vancouver, BC

BC SCHOOL TRUSTEES ASSOCIATION

BCSTA Trustee Academy

Date: Thursday, November 23 to Saturday, November 25, 2017

Location: Richmond, BC

BCSTA Provincial Council Meeting

Date: Friday, February 16 to Saturday, February 17, 2018

Location: Richmond, BC

Thompson Okanagan Branch BCSTA Meeting

Date: Friday, February 23 to Saturday, February 24, 2018

Location: Kelowna, BC

FUTURE MEETINGS

REGULARLY SCHEDULED BOARD MEETINGS

Annual General Meeting and Regular Public Board Meeting Wednesday, December 13, 2017 at 6:00 p.m., School Board Office

BOARD STANDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS

BOARD MEETINGS WITH PARTNER AND COMMUNITY GROUPS

NOTICES OF MOTION

ITEMS FOR A FUTURE AGENDA

- Dual Credit Administrative Assistant and Office Assistant Programs
- General Statement November 8, 2017

ADJOURNMENT: The Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 7:18 pm.		
Chairperson		Secretary-Treasurer