



"Together We Learn"

Central Okanagan
Public Schools (No. 23)

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, June 28, 2017

Central Okanagan Public Schools - "Inside 23"

1. District Student Council

In attendance:

2016/2017 Co-Presidents:

Saul Rosal, Student at George Elliot Secondary School

Claire Robb, Student at Okanagan Mission Secondary School

2017/2018 Co-Presidents:

Darius Konstant, Student at Mount Boucherie Secondary School

Riko Mizushima, Student at Okanagan Mission Secondary School (*not able to attend*)

The Board of Education recognized the contributions made over the past year by the outgoing Co-Presidents of the District Student Council, Saul Rosal and Claire Robb. The Co-Presidents for 2017/2018 were congratulated and welcomed by the Board of Education.

Recognition:

1. Parker Burns, Student, Okanagan Mission Secondary School iGen Challenge

The iGen challenge is for Central Okanagan Public Schools grade 7-12 students. Over a three-month period, students were guided through the startup process to create companies and pitch their ideas to members of the innovation ecosystem in Kelowna. The top 5 teams presented their pitches at the Jr. Metabridge event on June 7th at the new Okanagan Centre for Innovation.

The Board of Education congratulated Parker Burns for his winning presentation "Code Rabbit" – a fun and informative way to learn about coding and web development.

2. Food for Thought

In attendance:

Debbie Teolis, Food for Thought Kelowna Breakfast Society (*not able to attend*)

Patti-Lou Bryant, Food for Thought Kelowna Breakfast Society

Debbie Teolis and Patti-Lou Bryant were recognized for the volunteer hours they have expended in distributing a daily breakfast to over 1500 students in 29 Central Okanagan Public Schools.

3. Okanagan Mission Secondary School Senior Girls AA Soccer Team Silver Medal at AA Provincial Soccer Championships

The Board of Education congratulated the Okanagan Mission Secondary School Girls AA Soccer Team who recently placed second at the Provincial Soccer Tournament.

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In attendance were the following team members:

Karina Bagi
Amy Drew
Catherine Howe
Chloe Howe
Chloe Laidlaw
Grace Loo
Courtney Peissard
Stefanie Young
Ally Foster

Introduction:

1. Kyle Cormier, Assistant Director of Human Resources

The Board of Education welcomed Mr. Cormier to the Central Okanagan Public Schools. Mr. Cormier will be officially joining the Human Resources Department on July 4th.

Presentation:

1. Superintendent of Schools/CEO "Year in Review"

The Superintendent provided an overview of the 2016/2017 school year identifying student achievements, special events, challenges and business involving the Board of Education.

The Superintendent thanked the Board of Education, all staff members, partner groups, and the community for their efforts to support student achievement this year. (The Superintendent's "Year in Review" summary is available on the Central Okanagan Public Schools website.)

Action Items:

1. 2017/2018 Annual Budget Bylaw

The Board of Education approved a \$5,000 grant to Kelowna Museum for the 2017/2018 school year. The Board of Education also gave first, second, third readings, passed and adopted the School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan) Annual Budget Bylaw for the Fiscal Year 2017/2018 in the amount of \$253,910,135.

The Board recognized the District's Budget team (led by the Assistant Secretary-Treasurer, Eileen Sadlowski and Secretary-Treasurer, Larry Paul) as well as the District's Leadership Team and partner groups for their input during the annual budget process.

2. Statement on Engaging Our Community in Positive Civics

The Board of Education, as an autonomous political entity, endorsed the following statement:

We pledge to be civil in our civics.

We will be mindful in how we express our political opinions and respond to ideas that oppose our own.

We will cherish the privilege of living in a free society by celebrating everyone's participation in democracy.

The Board of Education also agreed to not endorse a joint statement with the Central Okanagan Teachers' Association and the Central Okanagan Parent Advisory Council.

3. Naloxone

The Board of Education approved that Naloxone kits be on site at secondary schools as a safety measure and that a staff member(s) receive training.

4. School District Capital Cost-Sharing

The Board of Education agreed to write a letter to the Ministry of Education regarding the requirement of Schools Districts to cost share in capital construction costs.

Information Items:

The Board of Education reviewed the following:

1. Instructional Leadership Team Program Review
The eight recommendations from the Instructional Leadership Team Program Review (Level 1) will be reviewed at an Education and Student Services Committee Meeting in the fall of 2017.
2. Process of Naming of Okanagan Mission Middle School
A survey will be made available to staff and the community in early October to receive suggestions for the naming of the new Okanagan Mission Middle School.
3. Enhancing Student Learning Process
A presentation was provided to the Board of Education by the Superintendent of Schools/CEO, providing an update on the District's Enhancing Student Learning Process. All 43 schools will have their learning plans uploaded on the school websites.
4. Central Okanagan Public Schools Administrative Procedures (Public)
The current Administrative Procedures Manual is in the process of being reviewed/updated. There will be three levels of access to the Admin Procedures: public, employee and administration. The public Administrative Procedures will be uploaded on the District's website.
5. Level 4 and 5 Field Study Summary Information
6. General Statement – June 14, 2017
7. Board of Education Meeting Dates 2017
The Board of Education meeting originally scheduled for Wednesday, October 25, 2017 has been cancelled. If any urgent matters arise, an emergent meeting of the Board of Education will be scheduled.

Items of Special Mention:

- The Board of Education recognized the hard work of school staffs in the preparation of graduation commencement ceremonies. The Board agreed to write a letter to each secondary school, recognizing the exceptional efforts of staff to ensure our 2017 graduates were honoured and celebrated.
- The South Rutland Elementary School 50th Year Anniversary was held on June 16th, 2017. Many community members, past students, and staff attended the event.
- National Aboriginal Day was held on Wednesday, June 21st, 2017 and many events were celebrated in our schools and communities, honouring Canada's Indigenous Peoples.

Next Public Board Meeting

Wednesday, September 13, 2017 at 6:00 pm
School Board Office

Board Standing Committee Meeting Dates

Wednesday, August 23, 2017
4:00 pm Planning and Facilities Committee Meeting

For comments, please contact:

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