

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, November 8, 2017

Central Okanagan Public Schools - "Inside 23"

1. Rutland Senior Secondary School Visit to Puccini's Turandot Opera

In attendance:

Hugh Alexander, Principal, Rutland Senior Secondary School

Yvonne Kacy, Teacher

Students: Sofia Cullen

Bobbie-Jo MacMillan Jasmin Patenaude Daniel Cortens Stephanie Appel Giovanni Mignardi

Cristina Perez de las Cuevas Drake

Harjap Soos Curtis Walz Allie Webber

A total of 54 RSS students attended the Vancouver Opera House to see Puccini's Turandot. This cultural experience is made possible by the Vancouver Opera who provide tickets for students to attend. A video was shown and the students expressed their highlights of attending the Opera.

2. Pilot Project – "Gateway – A.S. Matheson Elementary School Literacy Connections" In attendance:

Assistant Superintendent Vianne Kintzinger

Randy Horne, Principal, Central School Programs & Services

Derek Lea, Principal, A.S. Matheson Elementary School

Monique West, Vice-Principal, A.S. Matheson Elementary School Rob Law, Gateway Teacher, Central School Programs & Services

Gateway Students: Brittany Hill

Camile Stanton

Avery Carlson

A.S. Matheson Students: Talay Leinweber

Talon Whitford

The purpose of the program is to develop and strengthen resiliency skills, build connection, and encourage confidence in students. The Central students learn how to support others in their community and to develop team building skills to support them in their transition to post-secondary

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education. The students at A.S. Matheson enjoyed seeing the older students come in and work with them for an hour each day on a variety of tasks. The program provides the grade 3 students with more one on one reading time and developed social and emotional relationships between the students of Gateway and A.S. Matheson Elementary. All students spoke about what the program has meant to them.

Recognition:

1. National Recognition and Learning Grant: Mount Boucherie Secondary School's Academy of Indigenous Studies – EdCan Network for the Indigenous 'Innovation that Sticks' Dropout Prevention Case Study Research Program

The staff of the Mount Boucherie Secondary School Academy of Indigenous Studies were acknowledged for receiving national recognition from the EdCan Network of the "Innovation that Sticks" Case Study Research Program.

Declaration:

1. National Bullying Awareness and Prevention Week – November 19-25, 2017

The Central Okanagan Board of Education declared the week of November 19-25, 2017 as "Bullying Awareness and Prevention Week" in Central Okanagan Public Schools.

2. National Child Day – Monday, November 20, 2017

The Central Okanagan Board of Education declared Monday, November 20, 2017 as "National Child Day" in Central Okanagan Public Schools.

Action Items:

1. Naming of the New Middle School in the Okanagan Mission Area

As per section 1.3 of Board Policy 630 "Dedication and Naming of Schools and Facilities", the Board of Education named the new middle school which will be built on Frost Road in Okanagan Mission "Canyon Falls Middle School".

2. Annual Integrated Pest Management Report

The Board of Education accepted the Annual Integrated Pest Management Report as the Annual Report required in Board Policy 620 – Integrated Pest Management (IPM).

3. Golf Academy Fee Increase (George Elliot Secondary School)

The Board of Education approved the proposed fee increase for the Golf Academy (George Elliot Secondary School).

4. Amendments to Central Okanagan Public Schools' Overarching Goal, Mission Statement and Vision Statement

The Board of Education approved the amendments to the Overarching Goal, Mission Statement and Vision Statement.

Information Items:

The Board of Education reviewed the following:

1. French Immersion Survey Update

A survey will be distributed throughout the whole District and community to gain feedback on the offering of a second or third entry point for families wishing to enter the French Immersion

program. This information will help inform decisions of the Board on the opening of an additional entry point throughout the system.

2. Update: BCSTA Meetings – October 25-28, 2017

The Superintendent of Schools/CEO provided a presentation "Our Changing World" on the information provided by the Ministry of Education at the recent provincial liaison meeting for Board Chairs, Superintendents and Secretary-Treasurers.

3. Changes to the New Curriculum Implementation Schedule for Grades 10-12

The Board of Education reviewed the letter to parents from Education Minister, Rob Fleming, dated November 3, 2017, outlining the changes to the new curriculum implementation schedule. This includes an additional year of transition time to bring in the Grade 11-12 curriculum – all students will be using it starting in September of 2019. The Grade 10 curriculum will be implemented as planned in September 2018.

- 4. City of West Kelowna School Trustee Representation
- Trustee Attendance at Remembrance Day Ceremonies on November 11th, 2017

Kelowna - Trustee Gorman and Trustee Tiede

Lake Country - Trustee Butler

Peachland - Trustee Baxter

Rutland - Trustee Cacchioni and Trustee Mossman

West Kelowna – Trustee Fraser

- 6. District Student Council 2017-2018
- 7. Level 4 and 5 Field Study Summary Information
- 8. General Statement October 11, 2017
- 9. General Statement October 16, 2017
- 10. General Statement November 1, 2017

Items of Special Mention:

- 1. Joint Letter dated November 3, 2017 to The Honourable Carole James and The Honourable Rob Fleming re Request of the K-12 Education Management Partners to discuss the February 2018 Provincial and Education budgets
- 2. Schools will be hosting Remembrance Day ceremonies on Friday, November 10th and flags will be presented at half mast throughout the weekend.

Notice of Motions

Trustee Cacchioni made two Notices of Motion regarding Trustee Electoral Areas throughout the District. These Notices of Motion will be on the Public Board Meeting Agenda for November 22, 2017.

Next Public Board Meeting

Wednesday, November 22, 2017 – 6:00 pm

Board Standing Committee Meeting Dates

Wednesday, November 15, 2017

3:30 pm Finance and Legal Committee (note time change)

6:00 pm Planning and Facilities Committee

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