

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, May 9, 2018

# Central Okanagan Public Schools - "Inside 23"

#### KLO Middle School Jazz Band 1.

In attendance:

Students:

Afu Keteca, Grade 8, Bari Sax Shae Ryga, Grade 9, Drums Sam Collins, Grade 9, Alto Sax Tunay Uyaniker, Grade 9, Tenor Sax Josh Jaramillo, Grade 9, Alto Sax Mihai Covaser, Grade 9, Piano/Trumpet Isabella Calissi, Grade 9, Bass

Staff:

Tom Klassen, Teacher

The KLO JazzNE1 Band performed a mini concert for the Board of Education.

#### 2. **Kelowna Secondary School Battlefield Tour 2018**

Students:

Megan Bentham - Grade 12 Julia Fehr – Grade 12 Matthew Levi - Grade 12 Elizabeth Ross - Grade 11 Lauryn Wachter - Grade 11 Braden White - Grade 10

Staff:

Troy White, Principal Ryan Mansley, Vice-Principal Shannon Bracken, Teacher Scott Brown, Teacher

From March 7th to 21st, 31 students from Kelowna Secondary School visited the battlefields of Germany, France and Belgium, including Juno Beach. Over the years, 180 to 200 students from KSS have participated in this Field Study. The students in attendance spoke of their experience in visiting the battlefields and the life changing experience this trip provided.

# Recognition:

1. The Board Chairperson acknowledged that Tuesday, May 9, 2018 was **Teacher Appreciation Day** and acknowledged all teachers in the Central Okanagan Public Schools.

# 2. Dayna Hart, Teacher-Librarian, Constable Neil Bruce Middle School

The Board of Education congratulated Dayna Hart, teacher-librarian at Constable Neil Bruce Middle School, for being recognized as one of eight educators from across North America who The Library Journal views as a Change Agent.

## 3. Terry-Lee Beaudry, Deputy Superintendent of Schools

The Deputy Superintendent of Schools, Terry Beaudry, was recognized by the Board of Education for receiving the Association of British Columbia Deans of Education (ABCDE) Education Advocate Award for outstanding service to BC education.

# 4. Moyra Baxter, Board Chairperson

At the recent BCSTA AGM, the Board Chairperson, Moyra Baxter, was granted a Lifetime Membership with the BC School Trustees Association in recognition of over 21 years of service to the students of BC and the Central Okanagan.

## 5. Mental Health Week

The Board Chairperson recognized that this is Mental Health Week in British Columbia.

#### **Action Items:**

# 1. Opening of Canyon Falls Middle School

The Board of Education approved the following in relation to the opening of Canyon Falls Middle School:

THAT: The Board of Education open Canyon Falls Middle School for Grade 6 and 7 students in 2019 for the Okanagan Mission family of schools.

THAT: Grade 7 students already in attendance at Okanagan Mission Secondary School, and transitioning into Grade 8, complete their Grade 8 year at Okanagan Mission Secondary School in 2019.

THAT: Canyon Falls Middle School will enroll Grade 6, 7 and 8 students in September 2020 and Okanagan Mission Secondary School will become a Grade 9 to 12 school.

# 2. Naming of Lake Country Middle School - Comprehensive Process

The Board of Education received the comprehensive process for the naming of Lake Country Middle School.

#### Information Items:

# The Board of Education reviewed the following:

- 1. Level 4 and 5 Field Study Summary 2017/2018
- 2. General Statement April 25, 2018

# **Items Requiring Special Mention:**

- **Central Okanagan Public Schools** recently received a Fortis BC Efficiency in Action Award which recognizes exceptional achievements in saving energy.
- Peachland Elementary School is one of 51 schools from throughout the Province who will have a
  new playground when they return to school in September. The Premier made an announcement on
  Tuesday that the funding from the Ministry is part of a new, ongoing Playground Equipment Program

- that will provide up to \$5 million each year to school districts to buy new or replacement playground equipment. Peachland Elementary is receiving \$105,000 towards a universally accessible playground.
- The **Art in Action Opening Reception** was held on Thursday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>. There is a total of 146 works of art in the show which showcases the creativity and artistic talent of local youth. The theme for this year's *Art in Action* exhibition is *NATURE*. This exhibition of sculptures, prints, photographs, videos, paintings and drawings was as a result of students being encouraged to think about the environment and the importance of social responsibility. *Art in Action* is not only an excellent opportunity for students to show their work in a professional environment, but also an opportunity for the general public to celebrate the accomplishments of youth in our community.
- Moms, instructors, teachers and of course babies, attended the **Roots of Empathy City Wide Celebration** on Monday.
- Moyra Baxter, Board Chairperson and Assistant Superintendent, Vianne Kintzinger, along with two local teachers, will be participating over the next couple of days in a Ministry Symposium on Mental Health.
- The Rotary Club of Kelowna/Central Okanagan Public Schools Public Speaking Finals were held Tuesday evening at the Creekside Theatre in Lake Country. Ten grade 6 and 7 students from various schools in the Central Okanagan presented eloquently to the judges.
- Kelowna Secondary School will be hosting their annual **KSS Cancer Awareness Week**. All proceeds stay here in Kelowna with the BC Cancer Foundation. The schedule of events is as follows:
  - May 15<sup>th</sup> Cancer Week assembly
  - May 18<sup>th</sup> Carnival on the field at lunch hour
  - May 24<sup>th</sup> Drive-thru Breakfast, Rona, 7:00 9:30 am .....by donation
  - May 25<sup>th</sup> Head Shaving at lunch hour
     May 31<sup>st</sup> Golf Tournament at Pinnacle

# **Next Public Board Meetings**

Wednesday, May 23, 2018

6:00 pm at the School Board Office, 1040 Hollywood Road S.

Wednesday, June 13, 2018

6:00 pm at the School Board Office, 1040 Hollywood Road S.

## **Board Standing Committee Meetings**

Wednesday, May 16, 2018

4:00 pm Finance and Audit Committee 6:00 pm Planning and Facilities Committee

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