

# 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 12, 2019

#### Inside 23:

1. Bamfield Marine Sciences Center Field Study by the Vision Program In attendance:

Dr. Peter Molloy, Director of Instruction – Student Support Services
Lynn Wales, Vision Resource Teacher

Between March 31 and April 5, 2019, the first Marine Science Program at the Bamfield Marine Science Center for students who are blind or visually impaired took place. Coordinated by Lynn Wales (Central Okanagan Public Schools) and Sofeya Devji (School District No. 8 – Kootenay Lake), this initiative saw eight students and eight teachers/assistants, travel to Bamfield, BC, located approximately 50 kilometers south of Port Alberni, on Vancouver Island.

The five-day program gave students the opportunity to be immersed in Marine Science classes, lectures and fieldwork that focused on place-based learning tailored to the students' unique learning modalities. The students worked individually and in groups learning about the biology, chemistry, morphology and ecology of the marine and coastal environments present on the West Coast of British Columbia.

This program was the first time Bamfield had welcomed a large group of individuals with visual disabilities. The Bamfield instructors were provided with certain materials in advance, including large print and braille resources along with educational suggestions on how to make the curriculum more accessible to the students taking part in the program.

The program was a resounding success for both students and the Bamfield Center. The inaugural program provided a strong foundation for moving forward with such place-based learning activities and the coordinators are looking to plan similar initiatives in the future.

## Recognition:

1. Rotary Club of Kelowna/Central Okanagan Public Schools Public Speaking Competition Finalists In attendance:

Jarret Atkins, Vice-Principal, Davidson Road Elementary School

Students: Abdalla Tall, Grade 7, École KLO Middle School, First Place

Melania Neamtu, Grade 6, Glenrosa Middle School, Second Place Georgia Strinholm, Grade 6, Glenrosa Middle School, Third Place

On May 7, 2019, ten grade 6 and 7 students participated in the finals of the Rotary Club of Kelowna/Central Okanagan Public Schools Public Speaking Competition, which was held at the Creekside Theatre in Lake Country. The theme for this year's speeches was "Be the Inspiration". The students in attendance, who received first, second and third place, presented their speeches. The Board of Education congratulated

the students on their accomplishments and expressed appreciation to the Rotary Club of Kelowna for this partnership.

## 2. District Student Council (DSC) - Recognition of Grade 12 Members

In attendance:

Vianne Kintzinger, Assistant Superintendent

Students:

Keneisha Charles, Co-President, Grade 12, Rutland Senior Secondary (3 years on DSC)

Matthew Richardson, Grade 12, Kelowna Secondary (3 years on DSC)

Grade 12 students on the District Student Council include:

Logan Braun, Co-President, Grade 12, George Elliot Secondary (3 years on DSC)

Nolan Koblischke, Grade 12, George Elliot Secondary (3 years on DSC)

Summer Sharma, Grade 12, Okanagan Mission Secondary (1 year on DSC)

Evan Lee, Grade 12, Central Programs and Services (1 year on DSC)

Jakob Cherrey, Grade 12, Rutland Senior Secondary (1 year on DSC)

Theresa Schwab, Grade 12, Rutland Senior Secondary (1 year on DSC)

Jennifer Dao, Grade 12, Mount Boucherie Secondary (1 year on DSC)

Amy Keller, Grade 12, Mount Boucherie Secondary (1 year on DSC)

Kelly McCombie, Grade 12, Mount Boucherie Secondary (3 years on DSC)

The Board Chairperson, on behalf of the Board of Education, expressed Trustees appreciation to all the grade 12 students for their commitment and dedication to the District Student Council.

#### **Declaration:**

## 1. Brain Bright Day – June 18, 2019

The Central Okanagan Board of Education declared Tuesday, June 18, 2019 as "Brain Bright Day" in Central Okanagan Public Schools.

# 2. Indigenous Peoples Day – June 21, 2019

The Central Okanagan Board of Education declared Friday, June 21, 2019 as "Indigenous Peoples Day" in Central Okanagan Public Schools.

## Staff Presentation:

## 1. Canyon Falls Middle School Update

Presenters: Mitch Van Aller, Director of Operations

Jim Laird, Principal, Canyon Falls Middle School

The contract for the construction of Canyon Falls Middle School was awarded to Greyback Construction in April of 2018. The school will consist of 16 classrooms, 6 maker spaces, home economics, drama, gymnasium and multi-purpose spaces. The staffing of teachers, custodial, support staff and clerical has occurred over the past two months and the staff is excited to start in September. Trustees and senior staff were provided with a guided tour of the site this afternoon.

# 2. Superintendent of Schools/CEO Report on Student Achievement 2019

Presenter: Kevin Kaardal, Superintendent of Schools/CEO

The Superintendent of Schools/CEO provided a PowerPoint presentation, highlighting student achievement in 2018/2019. To view the full Superintendent of Schools/CEO – Report on Student Achievement please visit the Central Okanagan Public Schools website at www.sd23.bc.ca under Documents and Publications.

## Action Items:

# 1. 2019-2020 CommunityLINK Allocations

The Board of Education approved the recommended CommunityLINK Allocations for 2019/2020. The Board of Education also agreed that various provincial Ministries be contacted (Ministry of Education, Ministry of Health, Ministry of Children and Family Development, Ministry of Mental Health and Addictions) to jointly provide additional resources and support for student mental health.

#### 2. School Fees for 2019-2020

The Board of Education approved the school supply fee increase from \$30/student to \$35/student, effective July 1, 2019.

# 3. Community Rental Program Review for the 2019-2020 Fiscal Year

The Board of Education set the community rental rates as follows:

Non-Profit Hourly Rates		
Administration Fee	10.00	
Cancellation Fee	5.00	/
Weekend & After Hour Surcharge Fee	30.00	
Gym (Middle/Secondary), includes QGE & GPE	50.00	
Gym (Elementary), includes Central	43.00	
Hollywood Road Education Services	65.00	
Classroom, Cafeteria, Multi-Purpose, Library	40.00	
Playing Field – Youth	3.25	
Playing Field – Adult	6.25	
Parking Lot	5.00	
Profit Hourly Rates		
Administration Fee	10.00	
Cancellation Fee	5.00	
Weekend & After Hour Surcharge Fee	30.00	
Gym (Middle/Secondary), includes QGE & GPE	190.00	
Gym (Elementary), includes Central	170.00	
Hollywood Road Education Services	240.00	
Classroom, Cafeteria, Multi-Purpose, Library	145.00	
Playing Field – Youth	27.00	
Playing Field – Adult	27.00	
Parking Lot	27.00	
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Custodial Hourly Rate	35.00	
Weekend 4 Hour Minimum	140.00	
Preschool Rates	355.00/I	Month
After School Rates	593.00/	

## 4. 2020-2021 Five Year Capital Plan Submission

The Board of Education approved the Capital Plan Resolution for the 2020/2021 Capital Plan.

## 5. Enhancement Agreement – Rutland Elementary School Playground

The Board of Education agreed to enter into an Enhancement Agreement with the Rutland Elementary School PAC for the purchase and installation of a new playground. The Board of Education also approved a \$40,000 loan be provided to the Rutland Elementary School PAC to assist with the purchase and installation of a new playground.

# 6. Enhancement Agreement – Shannon Lake Elementary School Playground

The Board of Education agreed to enter into an Enhancement Agreement with the Shannon Lake Elementary School PAC for the purchase and installation of a new playground. The Board of Education also approved a \$50,000 loan be provided to the Shannon Lake Elementary School PAC to assist with the purchase and installation of a new playground.

#### Information Items:

## The Board of Education reviewed the following:

- 1. Level 4 and 5 Field Study Summary 2018/2019 and 2019/2020
- 2. General Statement May 22, 2019
- 3. Letter of Support Central Okanagan Family Hub
  The Central Okanagan Teachers' Association made a \$1,000 donation to the Central Okanagan
  Family Hub and challenged the Central Okanagan Principals' and Vice-Principals' Association to
  do the same.
- 4. 2019-2020 French Immersion Enrolment Numbers on the Westside Trustees were advised that due to low enrolment, the grade 4 middle immersion at Hudson Road Elementary School will not commence this September.
- 5. Grant Thornton Report to Finance and Audit Committee Initial Communication on Audit Planning for the Year Ended June 30, 2019
- 6. Revisions to Regulation 470R Transportation Services Management (Regulations) Guiding Principles for Transportation in School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan)
- 7. Letter from the Ministry of Education dated April 12, 2019 Revisions to the Guidelines for Long-Term Facility Plans
- 8. Learning from the Best What We Learned About Improving Aboriginal Student Achievement in High Performing British Columbia School Districts and Band Schools Thomas Fleming, Editor

## **Items Requiring Special Mention:**

Trustees and the Superintendent of Schools/CEO reported on the following:

- Trustees spoke of their attendance at various events including field studies, dance performances, sporting events and Teacher Inquiry presentations.
- The Board expressed appreciation for all the extra events taking place throughout the District at this time of year, and for all the time and effort of staff and community members.
- Last week over 1400 elementary students from 37 schools participated in the District Elementary
   Track and Field Meet held at the Apple Bowl.
- For the first time since 1972, Kelowna hosted the **2019 BC High School Track & Field Championships** at the end of May.
- The June edition of the **Together We Learn** is being distributed to students this week. The theme is "*Inspired to be Awesome*".
- A drive-thru breakfast fundraiser to support the **Central Okanagan Family Hub** is being held on Friday, June 14<sup>th</sup>, 7:30 am to 9:00 am at Pearson Road Elementary School (700 Pearson Road).

# **Next Public Board Meeting**

Public Board Meeting Wednesday, June 26, 2019 6:00 pm School Board Office, 1040 Hollywood Road S.

# **Board Standing Committee Meetings**

Wednesday, June 19, 2019

4:00 pm Finance and Audit Committee 6:00 pm Planning and Facilities Committee School Board Office, 1040 Hollywood Road S.

#### **Notice of Motion – Trustee Fraser**

THAT: The Board of Education support the Etcetera Youth Group by donating \$500 to help our LGBT2Q+ students that is open from each of our 43 schools where they socialize, attend special events, conduct empowerment and healthy relationship discussions;

AND THAT: The Board of Education ask the Superintendent of Schools/CEO to report on the status and work of our schools' Diversity and Harmony Clubs in support of LGBT2Q+ inclusion.

For comments, please contact:
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