

BOARD OF EDUCATION BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan)

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

Date: Wednesday, October 14, 2015

Recognition:

1. Introduction of New Vice-Principal

The Board of Education introduced Lindsey Hamilton, Vice-Principal of Chute Lake Elementary School.

2. Misty Smith, Teacher, South Kelowna Elementary School BC Teacher-Librarian of the Year – Diana Poole Memorial Award

Misty Smith was recognized by the Board of Education as the recipient of the BC Teacher-Librarian of the Year – Diana Poole Memorial Award.

3. Al Hopgood, Teacher, Springvalley Middle School Canadian Student Leadership Association 2015 BC Leader of Distinction Award

The Board of Education recognized Al Hopgood for receiving the Canadian Student Leadership Association 2015 BC Leader of Distinction Award.

Action Items:

1. Safe Stop Program - Increase in Fines/Penalties for "Fail to Stop for School Bus"

The Board of Education agreed to send a letter in support of the Safe Stop Program requesting an increase to at least double the fines/penalties for "Fail to Stop for School Bus".

2. French Immersion Review Process and Timeline

The Board of Education approved the representation of parents on the Task Force Steering Committee to include two parents of French Immersion students and two parents of English students from dual track schools. The Board also approved the proposed French Immersion Consultation Process and Timeline.

3. MyEducation BC – Provincial Student Demographic System

The Board of Education agreed to send a letter to the Minister of Education outlining the many problems staff are encountering with the performance of the MyEducation BC student demographic system which was implemented over the summer months.

4. Traffic Calming via Roundabouts on Webber Road, West Kelowna

The Board of Education agreed to send a letter to West Kelowna's City Council commending Mayor and Council for the road improvements made on Webber Road. It was also decided to commend the Glenrosa Elementary Parent Advisory Council (PAC) for their advocacy in support of road safety improvements.

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Information Items:

1. Superintendent's Emergent Issues

- In August 2015, the Ministry of Education announced the timelines for the implementation of the new curriculum. Additionally, the Ministry of Education recently announced the release of teachers for ten hours (equivalent of two school days) to support their preparation for the implementation of the new curriculum. The Superintendent will be writing a letter to parents announcing that there will be a change in the current school calendar to enable additional time for teachers to prepare for full implementation of the new curriculum starting in September 2016.

The following items were reviewed by the Board:

- 1. 2015/2016 Five Year Capital Plan Submission
- 2. Summer Projects 2015
- 3. School Site Acquisition Charge (SSAC)
- 4. Trustee Travel Expenses/Board Governance Report as of June 30, 2015
- 5. Amended Policy Regulations 470R Transportation Services Management (Regulations)
- 6. Trustee Attendance at Remembrance Day Celebrations:

Kelowna Trustee Gorman/Trustee Tiede

Lake Country Trustee Butler Peachland Trustee Baxter

Rutland Trustee Cacchioni/Trustee Mossman

West Kelowna Trustee Fraser

7. Field Trips 2015/20168. General Statement

Next Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting:

Regular Public Board Meeting Wednesday, October 28, 2015 at 6:00 pm School Board Office

Next Board Standing Committee Meeting Dates:

Wednesday, October 21, 2015

4:30 pm Planning and Facilities Committee Meeting

6:30 pm Finance and Legal Committee Meeting (Cancelled)

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