



"Together We Learn"

School District No. 23
(Central Okanagan)

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, March 9, 2016

Presentations:

1. "Inside 23"

1.1 Lori Pratley, Head Secretary, Hudson Road Elementary School

Lori Pratley was recently featured in the CUPE Local 3523 *CUPE Connection* Newsletter. Ms. Pratley has been the head secretary at Hudson Road Elementary School for almost 8 years and has been employed with the Central Okanagan School District for a total of 25 years. Ms. Pratley has worked in various levels throughout the District including elementary, middle and high schools, McWilliams Centre and Distance Learning. Lori is the 'tapestry' that wraps the community in warmth and kindness. Lori has 4 children who have all gone through the Central Okanagan School District education system.

2. Presentations

2.1 RBC Learn to Play Leadership Grant - \$25,000

Presenters: Janelle Zebedee and Tricia Labrie, Health Promoting Schools Coordinators, and Stephanie French, Teacher at Casorso Elementary School

The RBC Learn to Play Project provides grants to local organizations and communities in support of building the physical literacy of Canada's kids and youth. The Central Okanagan School District received \$25,000 to support students in developing fundamental physical skills, promoting regular physical activity for a healthy life.

2.2 School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan) 2015 Safety Review

Presenter: Dave Cavezza, District Health & Safety Manager

In 2015, the Health and Safety Department for the Central Okanagan School District realized a profit for the organization of \$162,701. This revenue is generated through claims management services contracts, online safety courses and health and safety contract work. The Central Okanagan School District has partnered with thirty-two BC School Districts and one private school for claims management. Two new School Districts signed on in 2015. The Central Okanagan School District is one of only three Districts to have achieved COR Certification.

Action Items:

1. Program Support for BCIT Dual Credit Programs

The Board of Education agreed to send a letter to BCIT in support of their Dual Credit Programs. The letter also endorsed the transition of the current Diesel Engine Mechanic program at Rutland Senior Secondary to the Heavy Duty Mechanics program.

2. Annual Facility Grant (AFG) Plan for 2016/2017 through 2020/2021

The Board of Education approved the Annual Facility Grant Plan for 2016/2017 through 2020/2021.

3. Policy 155 – Planning and Facilities Committee

The Board of Education affirmed Policy 155 – Planning and Facilities Committee.

4. Aboriginal Education Council – Terms of Reference

The Board of Education affirmed the Aboriginal Education Council Terms of Reference.

5. Plan for Enhancing Student Learning

The Board of Education approved the proposed Plan for Enhancing Student Learning which, according to the Ministry of Education timeline, is due to be developed and posted by March 30, 2016.

6. 2016-2017 School Calendar

The Board of Education adopted a Local School Calendar for the 2016-2017 school year and will make the calendar available to all parents by March 10, 2016, and the Ministry of Education by April 8, 2016.

DESIGNATION	SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 23 Local Calendar 2016/2017
Days in session	190 (3 summer Pro Days Aug. 30– Sept. 1)
Number of days of instruction	182
Number of non-instructional days	8
Schools open	September 6
Administrative Implementation Day (revised curriculum)	October 7
Thanksgiving Day (schools closed)	October 10
Teacher Professional Day	October 21
Remembrance Day (schools closed)	November 11
Schools close for Winter vacation	Friday, December 16
Winter vacation period (schools closed)	December 19 - December 30
Statutory holiday (schools closed)	Monday, January 2
Schools reopen after Winter vacation	Tuesday, January 3
Family Day	February 13

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Teacher Professional Day (Support Staff In-Service Day)	February 24
Schools close for Spring vacation	Friday, March 17
Spring vacation period (schools closed)	March 20 - March 31
Schools reopen after Spring vacation	Monday, April 3
Good Friday (schools closed)	April 14
Easter Monday (schools closed)	April 17
Non-Instructional Day for revised curriculum	May 19
Victoria Day (schools closed)	May 22
Administrative Day (students do not attend)	Friday, June 30
Schools close	Friday, June 30

Information Items:

1. The Board of Education reviewed the Revenue and Expense Summary at January 31, 2016, Administration Costs and Operating Reserves for BC Public Schools and the Carbon Neutral Capital Program (CNCP).

Items Requiring Special Mention:

1. Nancy Borden, retired teacher, is receiving the Stuart Schon Health and Safety Award at the upcoming BCTF AGM. The award is given to a person or persons who have made a significant contribution to the health and safety of BCTF members.

Next Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting:

Regular Public Board Meeting
Wednesday, April 13, 2016 at 6:00 pm
School Board Office

Next Board Standing Committee Meeting Dates:

April 6, 2016
2:00 pm General Affairs Committee
4:30 pm Education and Student Services Committee
6:30 pm Finance and Legal Committee

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