



"Together We Learn"

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 28, 2018

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1. Rose Valley Elementary School – Joyful Learning

In attendance:

Principal:	Jesse Bruce
Teachers:	Deb Rocco
	Carley Tabbernor
	Nadine Siever
	Lynne Wark
Students:	Ryder Chrapko, Kindergarten
	Oliver Bartel, Grade 1
	Holly Szabadi, Kindergarten
	Gabby Burge, Grade 3
	Jaimeson Morphy, Grade 4
	Abby MacDonald, Grade 3

The Rose Valley Elementary School teachers have collaboratively developed a framework for outdoor learning. This year the focus of Rose Valley Elementary School is "*At Rose Valley Elementary We Have Joy and Bring Joy to Others*". Joy is visible within their community each time learning is taken outside. At Rose Valley Elementary they leverage the environment to experience joyful learning. The students spoke of their excitement in learning about the plants and animals in the park surrounding the school.

2. 186,000 People Asking For Change

Justin Kulik, Grade 12, Okanagan Mission Secondary School

In attendance:

Vice-Principal:	Jasmine Lemon
Student:	Justin Kulik, Grade 12

Justin Kulik presented on the petition he spearheaded to end food waste in Canada. Every year \$31 billion of food ends up in a landfill in Canada alone with nearly one million Canadians relying on food banks each month and four million Canadians 'food insecure' (of which 1.5 million are children). Justin's petition, signed by over 186,000 individuals, urged the Government of Canada, through the Honourable Lawrence MacAuley, Minister of Agriculture, to create a federal program to combat food waste. Justin was able to personally present his petition to the Minister of Agriculture in Ottawa. Justin will continue to follow up with the Minister of Agriculture.

Action Items:

1. Setting Regular Board Standing Committee Dates and Times

The Board of Education set the Board Standing Committee meetings according to the schedule as presented subject to review by the Standing Committee Chairperson. The schedule of Board Standing Committee dates and times is posted on the School District website (www.sd23.bc.ca) under Board of Education – Meeting Info – Meeting Dates & Times.

2. Rutland Middle School

The Board of Education agreed to request a meeting with the Ministry of Education to discuss the progress of the approval of the Rutland Middle School replacement project. The Board of Education also endorsed the letter sent today to the Ministry of Education regarding the progress of the approval of the Rutland Middle School replacement project.

Information Items:

Superintendent's Emergent Items:

- With the opening of Canyon Falls Middle School, there will be a grade reconfiguration of schools in the Okanagan Mission area. A new Policy and Regulations – Schools Reconfiguration will be brought forward to the General Affairs Committee Meeting on December 5th which will outline the consultation process.

The Board of Education reviewed the following:

1. Level 4 and 5 Field Study Summary – 2018/2019
2. District Student Council 2018-2019
3. General Statement – November 14, 2018

Items Requiring Special Mention

Trustees reported on their attendance at the Lake Country Powwow, Community Learning Conversations, the Rutland Secondary School Youth Forum, the COPAC Conference and the Recognition Reception for Years of Service and New Employees. Also mentioned was the KSS Junior Varsity Football team who will face the Belmont Bulldogs from Langford (Victoria) in the 2018 Subway Bowl B.C. high school football championship game on December 1st at BC Place Stadium.

The Superintendent reported on the following:

- On October 12, 2018 the Superintendent of Schools/CEO, along with Assistant Superintendent Rhonda Ovelson, attended the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding between the Central Okanagan Public Schools and The Academie of Grenoble. The Memorandum of Understanding officially acknowledges an educational partnership with the intention to actively engage in creating and sustaining multiple and diverse linguistic, intercultural and pedagogical opportunities for both students and educators by supporting meaningful and authentic interactions.
- Last week the Superintendent of Schools/CEO, along with Assistant Superintendent Dr. Rick Oliver, participated in the signing of a Memorandum of Cooperation with the Educational Bureau of Tianhe District in China. The Memorandum of Cooperation provides Chinese students with a receptive School District and College to attend, as well as students in the Central Okanagan Public Schools and Okanagan College an educational opportunity in one of the world's global economic countries.

The Deputy Superintendent spoke of the November issue of the Together We Learn which was recently delivered to schools and the community. The theme of this issue is "*Then and Now*".

Next Public Board Meetings

Public Board Meeting

Wednesday, December 12, 2018

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

Board Standing Committee Meetings

Wednesday, November 21, 2018

4:00 pm General Affairs Committee

6:00 pm Education and Student Services Committee

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