



“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, April 10, 2019

Inside 23:

1. Ellison Elementary School – Association of Learning Environments \$5,000 Grant

In attendance:

Michelle Relova, Principal, Ellison Elementary
Scott Sieben, Principal, Mount Boucherie Secondary (former Principal of Ellison Elementary)
Susan Ito, Teacher, Ellison Elementary
Kristy Fletcher, Teacher, Ellison Elementary
Clayton Andres, Parent
Students:

Addison Andres, Grade 5
Isabelle Andres, Grade 1
Melanie Thompson, Grade 5

Ellison Elementary School recently received a \$5,000 Grant through the Association for Learning Environments. Students and teachers, along with parent Clayton Andres, created and submitted a music video explaining why and how they would use the Grant money for an outdoor learning space.

2. École Dr. Knox Middle School – Teaching Math Within the Redesigned Curriculum

In attendance:

Trent Dolgopol, Principal, École Dr. Knox Middle School
LeeAnn Yapps, Vice-Principal, École Dr. Knox Middle School
Raelyn Larmet, Vice-Principal, École Dr. Knox Middle School
Cory Aitken, Teacher, École Dr. Knox Middle School

A presentation was made by teacher Cory Aitken, to the Board of Education, on how teachers at École Dr. Knox Middle School are implementing the use of drones to engage students in real world applications of linear equations, as well as how coding is being implemented to help students work on logical thinking.

Recognition:

1. The Board of Education congratulated the members of the following teams, as well as the coaching staff, for their placement at the recent Provincial Championships:
 - KSS Owls Girls Curling Team – Provincial Champions
 - KSS Owls Senior Boys AAAA Basketball Team – Provincial Silver Medalists
 - KSS Owls Junior Girls Basketball Team – Provincial Silver Medalists

Action Items:

1. Central Okanagan Public Schools eSchoolBC Distributed Learning Program

The Board of Education approved the Central Okanagan Public Schools eSchoolBC Distributed Learning Review – Level 3. The Board of Education also supported the renewal of the Distributed Learning Agreement with the BC Ministry of Education.

2. Proposal for Substantive Change – Academy of Indigenous Studies (Kelowna Secondary School)

The Board of Education approved the Proposal for Substantive Change – Academy of Indigenous Studies (Kelowna Secondary School).

Information Items:

Superintendent Emergent Items

- Staff in the Central Okanagan Public Schools are becoming increasingly concerned regarding students' use of vaping products. A letter will be forwarded to parents/guardians in the Central Okanagan Public Schools. The Board of Education agreed to bring forward a late Motion to the BCSTA AGM on the topic of vaping and its dangers.

The Board of Education reviewed the following:

1. Level 4 and 5 Field Study Summary – 2018/2019 and 2019/2020
2. General Statement – March 13, 2019

Items Requiring Special Mention:

Trustees, the Superintendent and Deputy Superintendent reported on the following:

- This week, April 7th through 13th is **National Volunteer Week**. National Volunteer Week celebrates Canadians who give back to their communities. Here in the Central Okanagan Public Schools, we are blessed with countless volunteers who help to make our schools stronger. These volunteers may be parents or community members who support our students in many ways. As well, many of our employees volunteer their time and expertise in extra-curricular activities that enrich their students' lives. The Board of Education are very thankful for all volunteers!
- Thank you to Mrs. Oakes and the Student Voice Club at **Rutland Elementary School** who contributed to the **Central Okanagan Family Hub** based out of Pearson Road Elementary. They raised almost \$1,300 for the Hub. A media event, including a presentation, will be taking place on Friday, April 12, 2019 at 10:00 am at the Central Okanagan Family Hub (located at Pearson Road Elementary School).
- Congratulations to all the school vocal programs who participated in the **Kiwanis Voice Festival** held last week. Visit the Central Okanagan Public Schools Facebook page to listen to a performance from the Casorso Intermediate choir.
- The **Central Okanagan Public Schools Chess Championships** were held on Saturday, April 6th at Okanagan Mission Secondary School. Congratulations to all students who participated.
- A celebration of the closing of "**Our Lives Through Our Eyes: Nk'Mip Children's Art**" at the Kelowna Art Gallery and Kelowna Heritage Museum occurs this weekend. Nearly 1000 of our students have attended the exhibition. Many thanks for the collaborative organization of the exhibit by the Kelowna Art Gallery and the Kelowna Museums Society, with assistance from the Osoyoos Museum Society and the Osoyoos Indian Band.
- An informative community consultation meeting was held last week regarding traffic and possible busing changes that will result when Canyon Falls Middle School opens in September.
- The District Student Council will be holding their Dodge Ball Competition on May 9th at Kelowna Secondary School.

Next Public Board Meeting

Public Board Meeting
Wednesday, April 24, 2019
6:00 pm
School Board Office, 1040 Hollywood Road S.

Board Standing Committee Meetings

Wednesday, April 17, 2019
4:00 pm Finance and Audit Committee
6:00 pm Planning and Facilities Committee
School Board Office, 1040 Hollywood Road S.

Congratulations to the following Vice-Principals on their reassignments and assignments, which were approved by the Board of Education on Wednesday, April 10th: These assignments will commence on July 1st 2019.

Ryan Ward

FROM: Vice-Principal at Central School Programs and Services
TO: Vice-Principal at Canyon Falls Middle School

Nathen Elliott

FROM: Vice-Principal at École Peter Greer Elementary School
TO: Vice-Principal at Central School Programs and Services

Laurie Fraser

FROM: Vice-Principal at Constable Neil Bruce Middle and Shannon Lake Elementary Schools
TO: Vice-Principal at Constable Neil Bruce Middle School

Mary Berg

FROM: Vice-Principal at École Dorothea Walker Elementary School
TO: Vice-Principal at Shannon Lake Elementary School

Raelyn Larmet

FROM: Vice-Principal at École Dr. Knox Middle School
TO: Vice-Principal at École Dorothea Walker Elementary School

Chris Oakes

FROM: Acting Vice-Principal at École K.L.O. Middle School
TO: Vice-Principal at École K.L.O. Middle School

Jeremy Sanbrooks

FROM: Counsellor at Pearson Road Elementary and South Rutland Elementary Schools
TO: Vice-Principal at École Peter Greer Elementary School

Christey Hughes

FROM: Vice-Principal at Valleyview Secondary School, SD No. 73 (Kamloops-Thompson)
TO: Vice-Principal at École Kelowna Secondary School

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