



"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 11, 2015**

Recognition:

**1. Recipient of Canada's Outstanding Principals Award
Raquel Steen, Principal, École KLO Middle School**

The Board of Education recognized Raquel Steen for being selected by The Learning Partnership as one of *Canada's Outstanding Principals*.

2. Safety Program Partnership with BrainTrust Canada

In attendance: Maribeth Friesen, CEO, BrainTrust Canada
Magna Kapp, Director of Communications, BrainTrust Canada
Dave Gibson, School District No. 23 Traffic Safety Officer

The Board of Education recognized BrainTrust Canada for their partnership in implementing safety programs to prevent brain injuries.

Action Items:

1. Annual Facility Grant (AFG) Plan for 2015/2016 through 2019/2020

The Board of Education approved the Annual Facility Grant 2015/2016 through 2019/2020.

2. The Board's Response to the Provincial Budget Announcement

The Board of Education agreed to send a letter to the Minister of Education and the Minister of Finance expressing disappointment in the recent budget announcement, and, stating that, as the District has previously made significant cuts due to budget reductions, any further reductions will affect all students in the District.

Information Items:

1. Superintendent's Emergent Issues

The Superintendent reported on the following:

- The Ministry of Education wish to host a regional meeting in the Central Okanagan School District on Friday, April 10, 2015, with a focus on Education Transformation. Invites will extend to Board Chairs and Superintendents throughout the Thompson-Okanagan Region, along with staff and community members from the Central Okanagan.

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- The Education Week radio broadcast was played at the Public Board meeting. Doug Loepp and Tim Allen, from the Jim Pattison Broadcast Group, Inc., donated a 30 second radio clip during Education Week. Branden and Hayden, secondary students, collaborated with Janelle Zebedee, Health-Promoting Schools Consultant, to produce this year's public education announcement.
- The Central Okanagan School District received a 2014 Tommie Gold Award for the design of Mar Jok Elementary School. The District was honoured and recognized for "Best Outside of the Box" design.

The following items were reviewed by the Board:

1. Format for 2015/2016 Preliminary Budget Proposal – Superintendent's Budget Recommendations
2. Energy and Sustainability 2014
3. Revenue and Expense Summary at January 31, 2015
4. Suspension Summary Report: 2008/2009 to 2013/2014
5. Month End Enrolment – February 2015
6. Field Trips 2014/2015
7. General Statement

Next Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting Date:

Regular Public Board Meeting
 Wednesday, April 8, 2015 at 6:00 pm
 School Board Office

Next Board Standing Committee Meeting Dates:

Wednesday, April 1, 2015

1:00 pm	Finance and Legal Committee
4:30 pm	General Affairs Committee (CANCELLED)
4:30 pm	Education and Student Services Committee (Note time change)

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