

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, March 15, 2017

Presentation: "Inside 23"

1. Insitu Teacher Education: Partnership Between UBCO and Central Okanagan Public Schools In attendance:

Rhonda Ovelson, Assistant Superintendent
Dr. Leyton Schnellert, Assistant Professor, UBCO
Donna Kozak, Early Learning and Literacy Coordinator
Lisa Wilson, Early Learning Helping Teacher
Nicole Crane, Early Learning Helping Teacher
Matt Olson, Teacher, Peter Greer Elementary School
Kristi Fortuin, Teacher, Springvalley Elementary School
Ashleigh Miller, Teacher, South Rutland Elementary School
Sally Wallick, Teacher Candidate

Dr. Leyton Schnellert and Donna Kozak shared a video, highlighting the Insitu Teacher Education Partnership currently being implemented at several Central Okanagan Public Elementary Schools. The focus is on inclusion, literacy, and collaboration, providing teacher candidates with the opportunity to take part of their literacy methodology instruction at school sites and then practicing what has been taught through a model of co-planning, co-teaching, and co-learning with practicing teachers. Teacher candidates and practicing teachers shared testimonies, highlighting the value of this program for ALL learners (students, teacher candidates, practicing teachers, and UBC Faculty).

# 2. Okanagan Mission Secondary School Triple Threat Theatre – Anything Goes In attendance:

Luke Campbell, Acting Principal, Okanagan Mission Secondary School Ryan Grenier, Artistic Director, Triple Threat Theatre Company, Okanagan Mission Secondary School

Shayla Hall, Student, Okanagan Mission Secondary School Graham Neilson-Welch, Student, Okanagan Mission Secondary School

Ryan Grenier described aspects of the Fine Arts Program at Okanagan Mission Secondary School. Shayla Hall and Graham Neilson-Welch performed "Friendship" from the musical comedy which was greeted by enthusiastic applause from all in attendance.

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#### Recognition:

# 1. Dave Cavezza, District Health & Safety Manager 2016 Certificate of Recognition (COR) Safety Audit

In attendance:

Dave Cavezza, District Health & Safety Manager

Dave Cavezza was recognized for guiding the District through the voluntary WorkSafeBC Safety Audit, resulting in a successful completion of the Audit. As a result, the District received a rebate of \$80,000 from WorkSafeBC to continue to enhance the work safe conditions for District employees.

#### **Action Items:**

# 1. Annual Facility Grant (AFG) Plan for 2017/2018 through 2021/2022

The Board of Education approved the Annual Facility Grant Plan for 2017/2018 through 2021/2022.

### 2. Proposed Catchment Area Review

The Board of Education directed staff to proceed with a Catchment Area Review for A.S. Matheson Elementary School, Ecole Casorso Elementary School and Raymer Elementary School.

# Central Okanagan Public Schools Grant of \$5,000 to the Central Okanagan Parent Advisory Council (COPAC)

The Board of Education granted \$5,000 to the Central Okanagan Parent Advisory Council for the 2016/2017 school year.

#### Information Items:

## The Board of Education reviewed the following:

- 1. Aboriginal Education 13th Annual Report
- Month End Enrollment February 28, 2017
- 3. Level 4 and 5 Field Study Summary 2016/2017
  The District continues to monitor field study trips with students travelling to the United States. To date, all field study trips to the United States have been carried out successfully.
- 4. General Statement

#### Items of Special Mention:

- On May 25<sup>th</sup>, Community Action Towards Children's Health (CATCH) will be hosting a Truth and Reconciliation Conference at the Laurel Building. (More information will be shared when it comes available.)
- Chuba University Haruhigaoka High School students recently performed at CNB Middle School and Glenrosa Middle School assemblies as part of the District's Sister School Exchange Program.
- Congratulations to the KSS AAAA Boys' Basketball team for receiving a silver medal in last week's Provincial Tournament.
- Congratulations to the KSS Boys' Curling Team for receiving a first place finish in the Provincial Tournament and the KSS Girls' Curling Team for securing a third place finish in the same tournament.
- The District's Career Life Program Department recently hosted the Annual Dual Credit Information Meeting. Parents and students learned how students can earn post-secondary credits while at high school. Dual Credit programs are available at Okanagan College and the local BCIT campus.

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- Okanagan College hosted a day of Trades Discovery and Skills Competition involving the District's elementary, middle, and secondary school students. Several Central Okanagan Public School students, who won the skills competitions, will now be representing the District at the BC Provincial Skills Competition in Abbotsford on April 5<sup>th</sup>.
- The students and staff of the Central Okanagan Public Schools will be enjoying their two-week spring break period starting on Monday, March 20<sup>th</sup> and returning to classes on Monday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>.

#### **Next Public Board Meeting**

Wednesday, April 12, 2017 at 6:00 pm School Board Office

### **Board Standing Committee Meeting Dates**

Wednesday, April 5, 2017

4:00 pm Finance and Legal Committee

6:00 pm Education and Student Services Committee

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