

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, October 24, 2018

Central Okanagan Public Schools - "Inside 23"

1. Kelowna Secondary School: Joy Advertising

In attendance:

Barb Leclair, Vice-Principal Jenny Reitsma, Teacher Students:

Xavier Cameron, Grade 11 Kaitlyne Clark, Grade 11 Shanell Fisher, Grade 12 Cherise Freeman, Grade 12 Megan Gomes, Grade 12 Hailey Lewis, Grade 11

Myles Whiteside, Grade 12 (unable to attend)

The students in Ms. Reitsma's Marketing class spoke of the projects they have created that bring joy and they made reference to their specific learning in the core competencies.

2. Rainbow Crosswalk – Central Okanagan Public Schools Board of Education Learning Centre Presenters:

Keneisha Charles, Grade 12, Rutland Senior Secondary School Jakob Cherrey, Grade 12, Rutland Senior Secondary School (on behalf of the District Student Council)

On Wednesday, October 17th, members of the District Student Council, Trustees Baxter, Fraser and Butler and senior staff, participated in the painting of a rainbow crosswalk outside of the Central Okanagan Public Schools Board of Education Learning Centre. The rainbow crosswalk is a symbol of inclusivity and support for all students in the Central Okanagan Public Schools.

Recognition:

1. Mount Boucherie Secondary School Rugby Player Achievements

The Board of Education congratulated the following students, along with their coach, Kevin Low, a teacher at Mount Boucherie Secondary School, for their achievements in rugby:

Taylor Herron – Invitation to Team BC Jordan Brown – Invitation to Team Canada Simon Paul – Invitation to Team Canada

Introduction:

1. Michelle DesRochers, New Executive Assistant to Secretary-Treasurer/CFO

The Board of Education welcomed Michelle DesRochers to her new position as Executive Assistant to the Secretary-Treasurer.

Presentation:

1. Presentation to Departing Trustees

The Board of Education recognized the following three Trustees who have completed their terms on the Board of Education:

Trustee Deb Butler 2011 – 2018
Trustee Chris Gorman 2011 – 2018
Trustee Lee Mossman 2014 – 2018

The Superintendent of Schools/CEO presented a thank you gift to Trustee Butler and Trustee Gorman. The thank you gift will also be provided to Trustee Mossman.

2. Board Chairperson's Report

Trustee Moyra Baxter presented the 2018 Chairperson's Report to the Board. The Chairperson's Report is posted on the School District website:

http://sd23.bc.ca/Publications/Chairperson's%20Report%202018.pdf

Action Items:

1. Review of Policy 705 – Relations with Parents of Students

The Board of Education approved the amendments to Policy 705 – Relations with Parents of Students, as well as new Policy 704 – Parent Advisory Councils (PAC) and District Parent Advisory Council (COPAC).

2. Cannabis Legalization Effective October 2018 – Review of Policies

The Board of Education approved amendments to the following Policies, Regulations and Form in response to the legalization of cannabis effective October 17, 2018:

- 1. Policy 420 Admission of International Education Students
- 2. Regulations 445R Discipline (*Regulations*)
- 3. Form 525.3 Transportation of School District No. 23 Students Vehicle Use and Authorized Driver's Statements
- 4. Policy 640 District Smoke Free Environment
- 5. Regulations 650R Public Use of School Facilities (Regulations)

3. New Policy 205 - Event Protocols

The Board of Education approved new Policy 205 – Event Protocols.

4. Urban Aboriginal Head Start Preschool

The Board of Education agreed to support, in principle, the Partnership Proposal to build an Urban Aboriginal Head Start Preschool on site at either South Rutland Elementary School or Springvalley Elementary School.

Information Items:

The Board of Education reviewed the following:

- 1. Level 4 and 5 Field Study Summary 2018/2019
- 2. General Statement October 10, 2018

Items Requiring Special Mention

- The Central Family of Schools Learning Forum was held on Tuesday, October 23rd at Kelowna Secondary School. The Learning Forum for the Lake Country Family of Schools will be held on Tuesday, November 6th starting at 6:00 pm at George Elliot Secondary School, and the Mission Family of Schools on Thursday, November 8th starting at 6:00 pm at Okanagan Mission Secondary School.
- A Partnership Agreement between the Central Okanagan Public Schools and Académie de Grenoble in France was signed last week. This partnership will provide more opportunities for French language learning for students in the Central Okanagan.
- Over 500 educators attended the 2nd Annual Innovate-Ed Conference Students at the Centre held at Mount Boucherie Secondary School on last Friday's Teacher Professional Day. The Superintendent of Schools/CEO expressed his thanks to Jon Rever, Jordan Kleckner, John Morrone and Dave Swystun for leading this regional initiative.
- School Community Learning Plan Conversations will be commencing with the first conversation taking place on Monday, October 29th at Mar Jok Elementary School.
- The Superintendent of Schools/CEO expressed his appreciation to Joe Jamison, COTA Pro-D Chairperson, and the COTA Professional Development Committee, for organizing the professional development sessions for teachers held last Friday at George Elliot Secondary School.

Next Public Board Meetings

Swearing In Ceremony/Inaugural Board Meeting Wednesday, November 7, 2018 6:00 pm at the School Board Office, 1040 Hollywood Road S.

Public Board Meeting
Wednesday, November 14, 2018
6:00 pm at the School Board Office, 1040 Hollywood Road S.

Board Standing Committee Meetings

Wednesday, November 21, 2018
4:00 pm Finance and Audit Committee
6:00 pm Planning and Facilities Committee

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