

BOARD OF EDUCATION PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

(Second and fourth Wednesday of every month, except July and August, and the third Wednesday in March and the second Wednesday in December, at the School Board Office, at 6:00 PM.)

The Central Okanagan Board of Education acknowledges that this meeting is being held on the Traditional Territory of the Okanagan People.

DATE: Wednesday, February 8, 2017

TIME: 6:00 pm

LOCATION: School Board Office

1940 Underhill Street Kelowna, B.C. V1X 5X7

Attending:

Board of Education:

Trustee M. Baxter (Chairperson)

Trustee D. Butler

Trustee R. Cacchioni Trustee J. Fraser

Trustee C. Commor

Trustee C. Gorman Trustee L. Mossman

Trustee L. Tiede (absent)

Staff:

K. Kaardal, Superintendent of Schools/CEO

L. Paul, Secretary-Treasurer

T. Beaudry, Deputy Superintendent

H. Wendt, Executive Assistant (Recorder)

Partner Group Representatives Attending:

COPAC No representative

COPVPA Jordan Kleckner, District Principal, Learning Technology

COTA No representative

CUPE David Tether, Acting President

DSC Tiana Calao, Kelowna Secondary School

ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:04 pm.

AGENDA

Additions/Amendments/Deletions

Defer: Recognition/Presentation/Delegations 3.2 Recognition: Alida Privett, Principal, Mar Jok Elementary School –

Recipient of Canada's Outstanding Principals Award (Deferred to February

22, 2017 Public Board Meeting)

Amend: Action Items 6.3 Mestside Area Study – Grade 9-12 Secondary

School to read Westside Family of Schools: Future Growth and Impact

Study

The Board agreed to amend the agenda order and address the "Inside 23" *Chuba University Haruhigaoka Junior High School Student Exchange* item at the end of Recognition/Presentation/ Delegations as road conditions have delayed the arrival of some of the participants.

Main 17P-014

MOVED by Trustee Butler, SECONDED by Trustee Fraser,

THAT: The Agenda for the February 8, 2017 Public Board Meeting be adopted as amended. CARRIED

MINUTES

Public Board Meeting – January 11, 2017

Main 17P-015

MOVED by Trustee Butler, SECONDED by Trustee Fraser,

THAT: The Minutes of the Public Board Meeting of January 25, 2017 be adopted as distributed. CARRIED

RECOGNITION/PRESENTATION/DELEGATIONS

Presentation: "Inside 23"

Virtual Field Trips to Support Deeper Learning

Jordan Kleckner, District Principal – Learning Technology, introduced Teacher Mark Hauk from McWilliams Centre (Blended Learning) and Merle Ross, the District's Video Production Specialist. Both have been instrumental in delivering virtual field trip experiences to students in Central Okanagan Public Schools.

The Board viewed the presentation and videos and it was noted virtual field trips have been in place in the District for approximately five years. These 'field trips' have allowed numerous students to experience, through interactive video-feeds, speaking with an astronaut in space, speaking with Grade 1 students in New York, asking questions during deep sea dives and a host of other interesting events that students would likely not otherwise have been able to participate in. In 2015/2016, over 100 virtual field trips were provided for approximately 3,500 students and it is anticipated that this school year, over 6,000 students will have the opportunity to participate in some of the 160 to 200 virtual field trips that are planned.

Introduction of New Principals/District Principal/COSBO Member

The Board of Education welcomed and congratulated the following staff members on their new positions within the District:

- Mary Berg, Vice-Principal, Dorothea Walker Elementary School
- Jasmine Lemon, Vice-Principal, Okanagan Mission Secondary School
- Dave Swystun, Learning Technology Manager

Presentation: Kindergarten/New Student Enrollment Public Service Announcement

The Deputy Superintendent noted a Public Service Announcement (PSA) regarding the kindergarten/new student enrollment was recorded by two Central Okanagan Public Schools students: Melissa Jewsbury, Grade 12 and Darius Konstant, Grade 11, both from Mount Boucherie Secondary School. The PSA was played from Monday, January 30 to Sunday, February 5, 2017 on two local radio stations: Power 104 FM and CKQQ 103.1 FM. The radio stations once again this year ran the PSA at no cost to the District. The 30-second PSA was played for the Board who congratulated the two students for their excellent work.

Harmony Day and Human Rights Month

Leigh-Ann Yanow, Chair of the Harmony Day Committee, noted this year marks the 10th annual Harmony Day. "High Ten for Harmony" is the theme this year which will have students from throughout Central Okanagan Public Schools reaching their hands up to 'High Ten' their neighbours in celebration of Harmony. One of the largest events was the February 2nd, 2017 full day conference for 150 middle school students which showcased a 'living library'. Information was also provided regarding Harmony Day events throughout the District which are taking place on February 14th and 15th. The Board was provided with a preview of this year's Harmony Day video which will be shared throughout the District

The Board Chair made the following Declaration:

WHEREAS Harmony Day recognizes that the citizens of the Central Okanagan come from all

over the world; and,

WHEREAS Harmony Day provides an annual opportunity for the Central Okanagan Public

Schools community to celebrate cultural diversity while committing to mutual

respect; and,

WHEREAS Harmony Day creates sensitivity to and respect for differences; and,

WHEREAS Harmony Day allows the Central Okanagan Public Schools to focus on the mission

of educating students in a safe, inspirational learning environment; and,

THEREFORE I, Moyra Baxter, as Chairperson of the Board of Education of School District No.

23 (Central Okanagan), do hereby proclaim February 15, 2017 as Harmony Day

in the Central Okanagan Public Schools;

and also do hereby proclaim the month of February 2017 as Human Rights Month in the Central Okanagan Public Schools.

Pink Shirt Day (Kindness Day_

The Board Chair made the following Declaration:

THAT: The Central Okanagan Board of Education declares Wednesday, February 22, 2017 as "Pink Shirt Day" in Central Okanagan Public Schools.

Presentation: "Inside 23"

Chuba University Haruhigaoka Junior High School Student Exchange

Scott Parker, Principal at Glenrosa Middle School and Kyla Babcock, Vice-Principal at Constable Neil Bruce Middle School, introduced one of the students who participated in the Exchange, Jenaya McRorie of Constable Neil Bruce Middle School. The second student who participated, Shenelle Neyedli of Glenrosa Middle School, was not able to attend this evening's meeting due to weather conditions.

The Board viewed a presentation highlighting some of the classes and events in which the students and Administrators participated while at Chuba University Haruhigaoka Junior High School. The Board was invited to the Cultural Assemblies on Monday, February 27 at Constable Neil Bruce Middle School and Glenrosa Middle School at which time students from Chuba University Haruhigaoka Junior High School will be welcomed as they participate in the exchange in Kelowna.

7:09 pm: The meeting was recessed.

7:09 pm: The District Student Council representative left the meeting.

7:14 pm: The meeting was reconvened.

PUBLIC QUESTION/COMMENT PERIOD

The purpose of this public question/comment period is to provide an opportunity to members of the gallery to ask a question or comment on any items on the agenda. The total time for this period shall normally be 15 minutes. A person wishing to speak is requested by the Chairperson of the Board to state his/her name and provide, if possible, a written copy of the comments.

TRUSTEES QUERIES/COMMENTS

Trustee Cacchioni

Queried why George Elliot Secondary School is being closed for the summer and what plan will be implemented to assist those individuals who normally rent space at that school during those months.

The Secretary-Treasurer advised a major mechanical upgrade will be taking place which will necessitate a full shut down of the school. Alternative spaces for those individuals and/or organizations normally using the school are being sought with perhaps the Annex or the Hall across the street as potential solutions.

ACTION ITEMS

Approval of 2016/2017 Amended Annual Budget

Main

17P-016 MOVED by Trustee Mossman, SECONDED by Trustee Gorman,

THAT: At the February 8, 2017 Public Board Meeting, the Board of Education give first, second and third readings to the School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan) Amended Annual Budget Bylaw for 2016/2017.

CARRIED

Main

17P-017 MOVED by Trustee Mossman, SECONDED by Trustee Butler,

THAT: The School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan) Amended Annual Budget Bylaw for 2016/2017 in the amount of \$234,017,079 be read a first, second and third time, passed and adopted the 8th day of February, 2017.

CARRIED

Lake Country Middle School Project Definition Report - Update

Main

17P-018 MOVED by Trustee Butler, SECONDED by Trustee Fraser,

THAT: The Lake Country Middle School Project Definition Report be submitted to the Ministry of Education, as attached to the Agenda and as presented at the February 8, 2017 Public Board Meeting.

In response to queries from the Trustees, the Secretary-Treasurer confirmed that upon Board approval, the Project Definition Report will be submitted to the Ministry of Education for review.

MAIN 17P-018 CARRIED

Westside Family of Schools: Future Growth and Impact Study

Main 17P-019

MOVED by Trustee Butler, SECONDED by Trustee Fraser,

THAT: The Westside Area Study be submitted to the Ministry of Education, as attached to the Agenda and as presented at the February 8, 2017 Public Board Meeting.

In response to queries from Trustees, the Secretary-Treasurer confirmed the review was initially a Project Information Report for grades 9 to 12 based on grade configuration; however, it was subsequently determined that a needs assessment was required and therefore the scope of the study was expanded.

MAIN 17P-019 CARRIED

<u>Annual Review of the Planning and Facilities Committee Mandate, Purpose and Function – Policy 155</u>

Main 17P-020

MOVED by Trustee Butler, SECONDED by Trustee Fraser,

THAT: The Board of Education affirm Policy 155 – Planning and Facilities Committee, as attached to the Agenda and as presented at the February 8, 2017 Public Board Meeting. CARRIED

PUBLIC QUESTION/COMMENT PERIOD

This public question/comment period is to provide an opportunity to members of the gallery to ask a question or comment on any matter pertaining to public education.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Superintendent's Emergent Issues

The Superintendent of Schools/CEO provided an update on the work that the District has undertaken with Interior Health surrounding the fentanyl crisis and noted that the impact is seen in young adults that are outside of school age (ages 18 to 26). The District's first steps will be a move towards education in the schools and further information will be provided as the District works with Interior Health.

Policy 650A – Public Use of School Facilities – Schedule of Rental Fees

Trustee Butler, Chair of the Policy Committee, noted the update Policy 650A has been updated to reflect the rental fee changes as a result of input received during budget discussions.

Month End Enrollment – January 31, 2017

The Board reviewed the information provided.

Level 4 and 5 Field Study Summary

The Board reviewed the information provided. In response to queries from Trustees, the Superintendent of Schools/CEO confirmed the District will work with school administrators to ensure there are no difficulties for the District's students when crossing the border to the USA due to the travel ban that the United States is attempting to implement.

General Statement

The Board reviewed the information provided. Trustee Gorman advised that had he been able to attend the January 25, 2017 Board of Education Incamera meeting, he would have recused himself from the Human Resources Action Items due to a potential conflict of interest.

BOARD/DISTRICT COMMITTEE QUERIES/COMMENTS AND REPORTS

BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

Sent:

Received: Correspondence Directed to the Board

Summary of Copies of Letters received by the Board

Ministry of Education, January 20, 2017 to All Secretary-Treasurers and School Districts, regarding Summary Financial Statements.

Main 17P-021

MOVED by Trustee Butler, SECONDED by Trustee Fraser,

THAT: At the February 8, 2017 Public Board Meeting, the Board receive the correspondence listed above.

CARRIED

ITEMS REQUIRING SPECIAL MENTION

The Board advised it had recently had the opportunity to meet with Chief and Council of Westbank First Nation. A great deal of valuable information was shared and the Board extended its appreciation to the Deputy Superintendent and District Principal of Aboriginal Education for providing very informative reports during the meeting.

The Board acknowledged the recent 44th annual Basketball Tournament at Kelowna Secondary School. Congratulations and appreciation was extended to the number of volunteers and the two codirectors of the event: Don Walker and Dave Reynolds, both of whom are teachers at KSS. It was also noted the Tournament trophy has been renamed *The Jack May Trophy* to honour Mr. May's 44 years of dedication to the tournament.

BC PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYERS' ASSOCIATION

BC SCHOOL TRUSTEES ASSOCIATION

BCSTA Provincial Council Meeting

Date: February 17 and 18, 2017

Location: Vancouver

Thompson-Okanagan Branch BCSTA Meeting

Date: February 24 and 25, 2017

Location: Merritt, BC

BCSTA 113th Annual General Meeting Date: April 20-23, 2017 Location: Sheraton Vancouver Airport Hotel, Richmond, BC **FUTURE MEETINGS** REGULARLY SCHEDULED BOARD MEETINGS Regular Public Board Meeting Wednesday, February 22, 2017 at 6:00 p.m., School Board Office Regular Public Board Meeting Wednesday, March 15, 2017 at 6:00 p.m., School Board Office BOARD STANDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS Finance and Legal Wednesday, February 15, 2017 at 4:00 p.m., School Board Office Planning and Facilities Wednesday, February 15, 2017 at 6:00 p.m., School Board Office BOARD MEETINGS WITH PARTNER AND COMMUNITY GROUPS Board of Education Meeting with Central Okanagan Principals and Vice-Principals Association. Date: Tuesday, February 21, 2017 NOTICES OF MOTION ITEMS FOR A FUTURE AGENDA ADJOURNMENT: The Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 7:27 pm.