



BOARD OF EDUCATION BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

The Central Okanagan Board of Education acknowledged that this meeting was held on the unceded, Traditional Territory of the Okanagan People.

Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023

Central Okanagan Public Schools – "Inside 23":

1. Pedestrian Safety

In attendance:

Rick Taylor, District Health and Safety Manager

Dan Glasscock, Regional Traffic Safety Officer

The Central Okanagan Public Schools Regional Traffic Safety Officer position is a collaborative position between the City of Kelowna, District of Lake Country (including Oyama), City of West Kelowna and District of Peachland. The main project between the five areas is the Safe Routes Program. Through this program, schools are requested to join in partnership to identify, prioritize and enhance infrastructure around the school. The goal is to make the roads and areas around schools safer and easier for students and staff to walk/bike to school. Also, through this collaboration a pedestrian safety video was created. The video can be viewed at: <https://youtu.be/REuxjNyav6E>.

Declaration:

1. International Women's Day

The Central Okanagan Board of Education acknowledged that International Women's Day was celebrated on March 8, 2023.

Action Items:

1. 2022/2023 Amended Capital Plan Bylaw No. CPSD23-02

The Board of Education gave first, second and third readings, and adopted the Amended Capital Bylaw No. 2022/2023-CPSD23-02.

2. Review of Transportation Fee for the 2023/2024 Fiscal Year

The Board of Education set the transportation fee to \$400/year for each bus rider for the period effective July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024.

3. Mount Boucherie Secondary – Golf Academy Fee Increase

The Board of Education approved the proposed fee increase (from \$150-\$375) to a fixed fee of \$465 with a golf membership or \$545 without a golf membership for the Golf Academy (Mount Boucherie Secondary School).

4. Hockey Canada Skills Academy Fee Increase (Canyon Falls Middle School, École KLO Middle School, Mount Boucherie Secondary School, École OKM Secondary School, Rutland Senior Secondary School)

- The Board of Education approved the proposed fee increase of \$200 (from \$1100 to \$1300/student) for the Hockey Canada Skills Academy (Canyon Falls Middle School, École KLO Middle School, Mount Boucherie Secondary School, École OKM Secondary School, and Rutland Senior Secondary School).
- The Board of Education approved the proposed fee increase of \$170 (from \$1000 to \$1170/student) for the Hockey Canada Skills Academy (Rutland Senior Secondary School).
- The Board of Education approved the proposed fee increase of \$115 (from \$850 to \$965) for the Hockey Canada Skills Academy (Mount Boucherie Secondary School).

5. Affirmation of Policy 150 – Education and Student Services Committee

The Board of Education affirmed Policy 150 – Education and Student Services Committee.

The Board of Education reviewed the following:

1. Level 4 and 5 Field Study Summary – 2022/2023
2. General Statement – February 22, 2023
3. 2023/2024 School Fees Summary
4. Student and Family Affordability Fund Update at December 31, 2022

Items of Special Mention

The Board Chair, Trustees and Deputy Superintendent of Schools spoke of the following:

- Attendance at various events including Proud for Prom, the North Glenmore Elementary School Community Student Learning Conversation, and the BCSTA Regional Branch Meeting.
- The Central Okanagan Retired Teachers' Association is currently assisting Central School and Programs to transition the Heritage Room to a Learning Commons. Local museums will be archiving artifacts from the Heritage classroom and an auction is being planned to sell some of the remaining school resources and furniture.
- The Mount Boucherie Bears Robotics Team placed 2nd in the FIRST Robotics Pacific Regional Competition in Victoria, BC on February 28th to March 4th.
- On March 2nd and March 3rd, Local Indigenous Elders, educators, community partners, and researchers, from across Canada, came together to attend **Working the Ideas SSHRC Forum – Roundtable Conversations** to hear how educators are decolonizing learning environments in schools and classrooms as well as indigenizing the curriculum. Over twenty-five sessions focused on participant-led sense-making experiences.
- On March 6th, the **Horizon Leadership Conference** took place at Rutland Senior Secondary School with students and staff hosting a multi-school conference to inspire students to leadership while learning conference design in preparation for hosting the BC Student Leadership Conference in October 2023. RSS students garnered experience in facilitating leadership sessions with over 200 middle/secondary school students from Districts in our region.
- The District's theme for this year is Building Caring Communities and this year we have focused on ways to help each other along. Local Elders from Westbank First Nation have helped us by sharing a Nsyilxcən saying that means "we are walking hand in hand with our relatives" which underlines the District's motto of "Together We Learn". The heroic parent who comforted the student who was recently injured at the community Transit stop and the other parents who jumped into action are a good example of this theme.

Next Public Board Meeting

Regular Public Board Meeting

Wednesday, April 12, 2023 at 6:00 pm

Board Standing Committee Meetings

Wednesday, April 5, 2023

4:00 pm Finance and Audit Committee

6:00 pm Planning and Facilities Committee

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