



**BOARD OF EDUCATION
PUBLIC MEETING
MINUTES**

**Wednesday, January 29, 2020, 6:00 pm
School Board Office
1040 Hollywood Road S
Kelowna, BC**

Board of Education: Trustee M. Baxter, Chairperson
Trustee N. Bowman
Trustee R. Cacchioni
Trustee C. Desrosiers
Trustee J. Fraser
Trustee A. Geistlinger
Trustee L. Tiede

Staff: Kevin Kaardal, Superintendent of Schools/CEO
Ryan Stierman, Secretary-Treasurer/CFO
Michelle DesRochers, Executive Assistant (recorder)

Absent: Terry Beaudry, Deputy Superintendent of Schools

Partner Groups: Des Sjoquist, COPVPA Vice-President
Cherylee Morrison, COPAC Co-President
McKinley Kemp, DSC Co-President

There were no representatives from CUPE or COTA.

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

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm.

AGENDA

Main 20P-013

MOVED by Trustee Fraser

SECONDED by Trustee Geistlinger

THAT: The Agenda for the Public Board Meeting of January 29, 2020 be adopted.

CARRIED

MINUTES

Public Board Meeting - January 15, 2020

Main 20P-014

MOVED by Trustee Tiede

SECONDED by Trustee Desrosiers

THAT: The Minutes of the Public Board Meeting of January 15, 2020 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

ABSTAINED: Trustee Cacchioni

CENTRAL OKANAGAN PUBLIC SCHOOLS – "INSIDE 23"

Science Inquiry and Numeracy Exploration - South Kelowna Elementary School

In attendance:

Nadia Piasentin, Principal, South Kelowna Elementary School

Leanna Estey – Grade 3 teacher

Chontelle Wilson – Grade 4/5 Learning Community Teacher

Carys Swan – former student teacher at South Kelowna Elementary School

Students:

Charlotte Henderson – Gr. 3 student

Lucy Weber – Gr. 3 student

Owen Gordon – Gr. 5 student

Lexi DiGeorgio – Gr. 5 student

Dante Madore – Gr. 5 student

Keean Sartorius – Gr. 5 student

Humraj Chahal – Gr. 5 student

The students of South Kelowna Elementary School presented on math explorations and how numbers relate and connect to our world, as well as, science inquiry projects created with student voice. From counting to using strategies to understand and apply their number sense, the students are using a growth mindset to become stronger mathematicians. In the Fall, their learning community completed an environmental inquiry unit. The task of the students was to explore the displays set up around their room and the information in their Google classroom. Some of the topics explored were Climate Change, Plastic in the Ocean, Energy & Resources, Compost & Waste Management, Pollution & Recycling, composting, and endangered animals. They used critical thinking to explore how humans are impacting, and helping the environment.

INTRODUCTION/RECOGNITION

KSS AAA Boys Volleyball Team - Provincial Silver Medalists

In attendance:

Mike Sodaro, Head Coach

Brady Ibbetson, Assistant Coach

Danika Embree, Manager

Team Members:

Joshua Bermel	Jayden Lalonde
Ethan Braam	Dawson March
Riley Brinnen	Max McDonald
Connor Dojohn	Mason Sodaro
Tyson Embree	Owen Waterhouse
Wilson Holland	Thys Weststrate
Rylan Ibbetson	Braden White

The Board of Education congratulated the KSS Owls AAA Boys Volleyball Team, who won the silver medal at the provincial tournament at the end of November.

DECLARATIONS

Human Rights Month

The Central Okanagan Board of Education declared the month of February 2020 as Human Rights Month in Central Okanagan Public Schools.

Canadian Home and School Federation National Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week

The Central Okanagan Board of Education declared the week of February 9-15, 2020, as the Canadian Home and School Federation National Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week in Central Okanagan Public Schools.

The Canadian Home and School Federation is a national organization representing provincial Home and School Federations, and is the only organization linking provincial parent groups across Canada on issues of common national interest in public education. The Canadian Home and School Federation initiated the Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week (TSAW) in 1988. The purpose of this week is to encourage parents and the wider community to recognize the personal and professional contributions that our teachers and school staff make to children and their education.

Meeting Recess (Five Minutes)

6:27 pm: The meeting recessed.

6:33 pm: The meeting reconvened.

DELEGATIONS

French Immersion in Lake Country

Presenter: Stephanie Lawton, PAC President – École Peter Greer Elementary School

Ms. Lawton presented to the Board of Education a proposal with three options to offer French Immersion in the Lake Country area due to the opening of the new H.S. Grenda Middle School in September 2021. The main goal of the proposal is to have French Immersion students continue with schooling within their community and offer French Immersion at H.S. Grenda Middle School.

The Board will be undertaking a review of the District's Long-Term Facility Plan in the Fall. This topic will be included in their discussions.

Main 20P-015

MOVED by Trustee Fraser

SECONDED by Trustee Geistlinger

THAT: The Board of Education accept the delegation report regarding French Immersion in Lake Country.

CARRIED

PUBLIC QUESTION/COMMENT PERIOD

Jennifer Dewolf: Ms. Dewolf queried if the review in the Fall of 2020 provides enough time for any potential changes to occur in the 2021/2022 school year for French Immersion.

The Board Chair confirmed that the Board will have sufficient time to conduct the Long-Term Facilities Plan Review, starting in the Fall of 2020, and implement any changes for the 2021/2022 school year.

Aubin Dorion: Ms. Dorion queried if the French Immersion program is not added to H.S. Grenda Middle, will the Board look at providing bus service into Kelowna.

The Board Chair stated that it is currently Board Policy not to provide transportation for programs of choice, unless they are provided at the student's English catchment school.

ACTION ITEMS

Policy 155 - Planning and Facilities Committee

Main 20P-016

MOVED by Trustee Cacchioni

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 January 29, 2020 Public Board Meeting.

CARRIED

Enhancement Agreement - Mar Jok Elementary School - Outdoor Basketball Court

Main 20P-017

MOVED by Trustee Cacchioni

SECONDED by Trustee Fraser

THAT: The Board of Education enter into an Enhancement Agreement with Mar Jok Elementary School PAC for the creation of an outdoor basketball court outlined in Appendix D, as attached to the Agenda, and as presented at the January 29, 2020 Public Board Meeting.

CARRIED

Renewable and Low Carbon Fuel Requirements Regulation

Main 20P-018

MOVED by Trustee Cacchioni

SECONDED by Trustee Fraser

THAT: The Board of Education sell 691 low carbon credits at the highest trading amount offered at the time of sale.

CARRIED

Proposal for Substantive Change - Hockey Canada Skills Academy (Canyon Falls Middle School)

Main 20P-019

MOVED by Trustee Bowman

SECONDED by Trustee Tiede

THAT: The Board of Education approve the Proposal for Substantive Change - Hockey Canada Skills Academy (Canyon Falls Middle School), as attached to the Agenda, and as presented at the January 29, 2020 Public Board Meeting.

CARRIED

Proposal to Conduct the Canadian Index for Adolescent Health Upstream Project Survey as Developed by the Canadian Observatory on Homelessness (CoH) at York University

Main 20P-020

MOVED by Trustee Bowman

SECONDED by Trustee Geistlinger

THAT: The Board of Education approve Grade 8 participation from two middle schools in the Canadian Index for Adolescent Health Upstream Project Survey, as attached to the Agenda, and as presented at the January 29, 2020 Public Board Meeting.

CARRIED

Updated Acknowledgement of Okanagan Territory

Main 20P-021

MOVED by Trustee Fraser

SECONDED by Trustee Tiede

THAT: The Board of Education approve the updated acknowledgement of the Okanagan Territory as follows: "The Central Okanagan Board of Education acknowledges that this meeting is being held on the unceded, Traditional Territory of the Okanagan People".

CARRIED

PUBLIC QUESTION/COMMENT PERIOD

There were no public questions/comments.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Superintendent's Emergent Issues

The Superintendent of Schools/CEO stated that he had no emergent issues to report.

Level 4 and 5 Field Study Summary – 2019/2020

The Superintendent of Schools/CEO stated that due to the coronavirus, Field Studies are be diverted from entering China.

The Board reviewed the information.

General Statement – January 15, 2020

The Board reviewed the information.

BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

Sent:

Response to COTA First Vice-President, January 17, 2020, Equity in Action for Truth and Reconciliation 2020-2025

Received:

B. Clarke, January 13, 2020, Indigenous Spirituality

N. Wood, January 13, 2020, Regarding Implementing First Nations History in Canada

B. Colero, January 14, 2020, Feedback on Equity in Action Document

COTA First Vice-President, January 17, 2020, Equity in Action for Truth and Reconciliation 2020-2025

Okanagan Indian Band, January 20, 2020, New School Project Update

S. Higginson, January 21, 2020, Re M. Baxter on Ad Hoc Committee - BCSTA Director Term of Office

Main 20P-022

MOVED by Trustee Fraser

SECONDED by Trustee Tiede

THAT: At the January 29, 2020 Public Board Meeting, the Board receive the correspondence listed above.

CARRIED

ITEMS REQUIRING SPECIAL MENTION

Trustees and the Superintendent of Schools/CEO reported on the following:

1. Trustees spoke of their attendance at events throughout the District including the Okanagan College Gateway Program Graduation, the performance at Triple Threat Theatre at Okanagan Mission Secondary School of Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat, the Harmony Day Living Library Middle School Conference, and the BCIT/School District Dual Credit Graduation ceremony.
2. **Student Enrollment** - A reminder that student enrollment for September 2020 will open on February 3, 2020 at 7:00 am.
3. **Ready Set Learn** - All elementary schools in the Central Okanagan Public Schools will be providing Early Learning opportunities for families to build connections between home and school. The schedule of individual school events is posted on the District's web page (www.sd23.bc.ca).
4. The Indigenous Education Department, in partnership with the Early Learning Team, hosted the **Annual Primary Winter Gathering** for all Grade 2/3 Indigenous students throughout the District. Over 600 primary students joined in the celebration.
5. **2020-2021 Budget Presentation** - The public presentation explaining how the District's budget is established will take place prior to the COPAC Meeting on Monday, March 2, 2020 at 6:30 pm at Hollywood Road Education Services – Room 3. All those interested in learning more about the School District 2020/2021 budget and how to provide input are encouraged to attend.
6. The Partners for Inclusive Education would like to let everyone know that the month of **February is Inclusive Education Month.**

BC PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYERS' ASSOCIATION

BCPSEA AGM

January 30-31, 2020

Vancouver, BC

BC SCHOOL TRUSTEES ASSOCIATION

BCSTA Provincial Council Meeting

Friday, February 21, 2020 to Saturday, February 22, 2020

Vancouver, BC

Thompson Okanagan Branch BCSTA Meeting

Friday, March 6, 2020 to Saturday, March 7, 2020

Chase, BC

BCSTA Leadership Series

Wednesday, April 8, 2020

Vernon, BC

BCSTA AGM

April 16-19, 2020

Vancouver, BC

- **Deadline for Extraordinary AGM Motions: February 6, 2020**
- **Deadline for Substantive AGM Motions: February 16, 2020**

FUTURE MEETINGS

Regularly Scheduled Board Meetings

Regular Public Board Meeting

Wednesday, February 12, 2020, at 6:00 pm, Board Room Main at 1040 Hollywood Road South

Regular Public Board Meeting

Wednesday, February 26, 2020, at 6:00 pm, Board Room Main at 1040 Hollywood Road South

Board Standing Committee Meetings

Policy Committee

Wednesday, February 5, 2020, at 4:00 pm, Board Room Main at 1040 Hollywood Road South

Planning and Facilities Committee

Wednesday, February 5, 2020, at 6:00 pm, Board Room Main at 1040 Hollywood Road South

MEDIA QUESTIONS

There were no media representatives at the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

The Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 7:15 pm.

Chairperson

Secretary-Treasurer/CFO