



**BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES  
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 67 (OKANAGAN SKAHA)**



REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING  
MONDAY, MAY 14, 2007, AT 7:30 P.M.  
SCHOOL BOARD OFFICE

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**A G E N D A**

**1.0 CALL TO ORDER**

**2.0 ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**3.0 PRESENTATIONS BY SCHOOLS AND/OR STUDENTS**

**3.1 West Bench Elementary School**

West Bench Elementary School has is using Guided Reading Instruction with the goal of making West Bench students independent readers. Principal Chris Philpotts and Lisa Edwards, Grade 1, and Moira Hennen, Grades 3 and 4, will be discussing why Guided Reading is an excellent strategy to use with students as well as their experience with Guided Reading in their classrooms.

**4.0 RECEIVING OF DELEGATIONS AND GUESTS**

**4.1 Community Foundation of the South Okanagan**

Deborah O'Mara, Executive Manager, Community Foundation of the South Okanagan, will attend the meeting regarding a project.

**4.2 Save Our North Gym Committee**

Representatives from the Save Our North Gym Committee will make a presentation to the Board.

**5.0 APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

- Regular meeting held on April 16, 2007 and special board meeting held on May 7, 2007

## **6.0 REPORT FROM CLOSED MEETING**

The secretary-treasurer will report on the closed meeting held on April 16, 2007.

## **7.0 CORRESPONDENCE**

### **7.1 Letter from Okanagan Skaha Teachers' Union**

A letter from the Okanagan Skaha Teachers' Union expressing sincerest sympathies to the Board and the family of Pennie Jamieson on Pennie's sudden passing. (Attachment)

### **7.2 Letter from City of Penticton**

A letter from the Mayor Kimberley of the City of Penticton and Sharon Amos, Centennial Advisory Committee Chair, regarding Penticton's 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and encouraging a Centennial Project be undertaken at some time during the year. (Attachment)

### **7.3 Letter from Royal Canadian Legion**

A letter from the Royal Canadian Legion, Penticton Branch #40, regarding the destruction of the north gym and the auditorium at Penticton Secondary School. (Attachment)

### **7.4 Letter from the University of British Columbia**

A letter from the Head Coach, Men's Basketball, University of British Columbia, regarding the proposed demolition of the Penticton Secondary School gymnasium. (Attachment)

### **7.5 Letter from British Columbia Teachers' Federation**

A letter from the British Columbia Teachers' Federation enclosing a copy of the Draft Program Guide for Graduation Transitions Brief 2007. The brief is available in the trustee reading file. (Attachment)

### **7.6 Summary of Copies of Letters to the Board**

Copies of the letters to the Board listed below are available in the trustee reading file:

- School District No. 43 (Coquitlam) to the Minister of Education supporting BCSTA's response to the Bill 20, 21, and 22 legislation;
- School District No. 38 (Richmond) to the Minister of Education supporting the North Vancouver analysis and their suggestion to fairly distribute the Early Learning initiatives money;
- School District No. 20 (Kootenay-Columbia) to School District No. 57 (Prince George) supporting the issues raised in their letter to the Minister of Education regarding Bill 20;
- School District No. 44 (North Vancouver) to the Minister of Education expressing concerns with the proposed legislation contained in Bill 20;

- School District No. 63 (Saanich) to the Minister of Education regarding the proposed legislation of Bill 20;
- School District No. 38 (Richmond) to the Minister of Education requesting more information about the proposed provincial demonstration schools and expressing comments as currently understood;
- School District No. 44 (North Vancouver) to the Minister of Education regarding the disposition of the 2006-07 holdback funds that was not distributed to school districts as it has traditionally been distributed.

## **8.0 REPORT OF COMMITTEES**

### **8.1 Curriculum Development Advisory Committee**

Trustee Andrews will report regarding the curriculum development advisory committee meeting held on May 2, 2007:

- a. Board/Authority Authorized Course Proposal

### **8.2 Finance and Management Committee**

Trustee Manning will report on the finance and management committee meeting held on May 2, 2007:

- a. Rental – Daycare Request
- b. Scholarships

### **8.3 Education Committee**

Trustee Van Alphen will report on the education committee meeting held on May 8, 2007:

- a. Cyberbullying
- b. Graduation Transitions
- c. Crystal Meth
- d. CommunityLINK
- e. School Fees
- f. Board Authority/Authorized Course

### **8.4 Buildings, Grounds, Safety and Transportation Committee**

Trustee Huebert will report on the buildings, grounds, safety and transportation committee meeting held on May 9, 2007:

- a. Queen's Park Adventure Playground
- b. City of Penticton
- c. Proposal for Vehicle Signage
- d. Portable Toilets by City on School Fields
- e. Penticton Secondary Colour Scheme
- f. Summerland Secondary Entry Update

## 9.0 REPORT OF SECRETARY-TREASURER

### 9.1 Penticton Secondary School Reconstruction

The secretary-treasurer will report regarding the Penticton Secondary School reconstruction.

### 9.2 Trustee Election

Section 36 of the *School Act* requires that a by-election be held to fill the trustee vacancy left by Trustee Pennie Jamieson. The responsibility to conduct the election will be undertaken by the City of Penticton. To confirm legal notification to the City, the following resolution is required:

That in accordance with Section 36 of the School Act, the council for the City of Penticton be advised of one trustee vacancy for the City of Penticton electoral area.

## 10.0 REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

### 10.1 Student Achievement

#### a. District Goals

- Literacy
- Numeracy
- Social Responsibility

#### b. Early Learning

- Update (Director of Instruction Hauptman)

#### c. Regional Literacy Forum

- Thursday, May 24 (Okanagan Mainline districts)

#### d. Celebrating Student Achievement

- Wednesday, May 30, 4:00 p.m., Penticton Lakeside Resort
- Agenda attached

### 10.2 Communication and Access

#### a. Field Trips

The superintendent of schools will review the attached listing of field trip requests. (Attachment)

#### b. Kindergarten Registration

Parents are reminded that children who are born in 2002 are eligible to enter kindergarten in September 2007 and are encouraged to register their children at their neighbourhood school as soon as possible.

### **10.3 Other Items**

#### **a. Enrolment**

The superintendent of schools will report on enrolment as of April 30, 2007. (Attachment)

#### **b. Class Size and Composition Report**

The superintendent of schools will review the class size and composition report. (Attachment)

### **11.0 REPORT OF REPRESENTATIVES**

### **12.0 NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

#### **12.1 Trustee School Liaison Appointments**

Trustee school liaison appointments for the coming school year are normally made at the June meeting. Chairman Little requests that trustees advise him of any special preferences for schools.

### **13.0 INFORMATION ITEMS**

#### **13.1 Ministry Meeting (April 30, 2007)**

The Ministry of Education held a meeting for all board chairs and superintendents on April 30, 2007 to provide an opportunity to discuss the upcoming legislation impacting school districts.

#### **13.2 BCSTA Annual General Meeting**

Trustees are reminded to bring to the meeting their reports of their attendance at the BCSTA AGM held April 19 to 22, 2007 in Victoria. (Attachment)

#### **13.3 BCSTA Okanagan Branch Meeting**

A report of the BCSTA Okanagan Branch Meeting held on April 20, 2007 will be provided.

#### **13.4 Date of Next Meeting**

- June 11, 2007, 7:30 p.m., Regular Meeting, School Board Office

### **14.0 TRUSTEE COMMENTS**

#### **14.1 Recognition of Student Success**

School District No. 67 (Okanagan Skaha) extends congratulations to the students and groups for outstanding examples of success as shown on the attached listing. (Attachment)

## 14.2 Recognition of Student Artwork

Congratulations are extended to the following students from Penticton Secondary School for their artwork currently on display at the school board office:

- Katie Filek, Grade 10                      Bananas/apples and green brushes/watercolour
- Meagan O'Shea, Grade 10                Red pencils/clothes pegs and triangles/watercolour
- Brian Csati, Grade 11                      Pencil crayon boy riding on dock
- Jessica Head, Grade 12                    Aqua and blue snowflake abstract watercolour
- Brittany King, Grade 12                    Sardine cans (4) mimics Andy Warhol
- Kari Graff, Grade 10                        Multi-coloured veins and nest/burst of colour
- Molly-Anne Sherwood, Grade 11        Hand with symbols and letters
- Calvin Dool, Grade 10                      Eight images – photography
- Brittany King, Grade 12                    Hand image with snowflake description

## 14.3 Trustee Comments

## 15.0 ADJOURNMENT

## 16.0 QUESTION PERIOD