



Board Notes

From the Board Meeting of: January 16, 2017

1. The Board approved the Consent Agenda which contained the following reports/information:
 - Adoption of the Mid-Term Inaugural Meeting minutes of December 12, 2016
 - Rural Education Engagement Response
 - BCSSA Thompson-Okanagan Chapter Forum
 - Aboriginal Enrolment Comparison
 - 2017 Committee Appointments
 - Chair's Report
2. The Board received an engaging presentation from District Library Coordinator Andrea Wallin on the Digital Literacy Innovation Project.
3. The Board was pleased to present the OWL Award for Excellence in Public Education to this year's recipient, Mr. Chris Rose. The award was established by School District No. 73 to recognize an individual, group, or organization that has distinguished themselves by providing outstanding service to public education in the Kamloops/Thompson School District.
4. The Board enjoyed a presentation from District Literacy Coordinator Fiona Clare on upcoming events sponsored by Literacy in Kamloops (LinK), Interior Savings, and other partner groups. Family Literacy Week runs from January 21-28, 2017 which includes a variety of free Unplug and Play Week Activities.
5. The Board received a presentation from District Early Years Coordinator, Marianne Vande Pol, and Manager Sue Lissel from Make Children First, on the 2016 Early Development Instrument (EDI) results.
6. The Board received a report from Director Smillie on the 2016 Foundation Skills Assessment (FSA) results.
7. The Board approved two Out-of-Province Field Trip Requests from Brock Middle School and Norkam Senior Secondary School for students in their Core French Program and IB French Program to travel to Papineauville, Quebec in April 2017.
8. The Board defeated the Motion to develop a three-year school calendar beginning in 2017-2018 that incorporates a two-week Spring Break. After a lengthy debate, the

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Board approved a Motion to ask administration to develop a calendar which reflects a one-week Spring Break.

9. Secretary-Treasurer Stretch provided the Board with a report that provided summary Capital Spending Information by school district.
10. The Board approved Capital Bylaw Projects No. 116953 and No. 127208.
11. The Board approved a 5:30 PM start time for all future In-Camera Meetings.

The next Regular Public Board Meeting will occur on Monday, February 6, 2017 at NorKam Senior Secondary School, 730 – 12th Street, Kamloops, BC.

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