

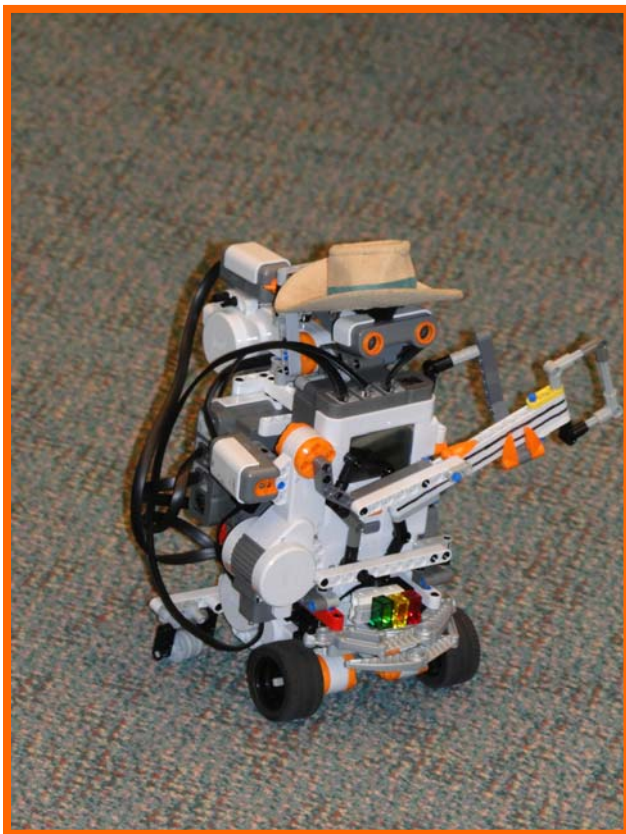
School District No. 67 (Okanagan Skaha)
PRESENTATIONS AT THE BOARD MEETING



January 11, 2010

NARAMATA ROBOTICS CLUB

Students of the Naramata Elementary School Robotics Club, accompanied by Principal Jeff Redden and parent facilitator Jennifer Vozenilek, made a presentation to the Board highlighting their participation in the RoboCup at Okanagan College in Kelowna. The students demonstrated the two robots they had built and programmed to move forward, backward, and spin around. In addition, one of the robots strums to music and nods its head. The Naramata students were the youngest team to participate in the competition and they received second place overall for their creation of "Robo Rockers".



The students were congratulated for their presentation and their success at the competition.



Principal Jeff Redden
Naramata Elementary
&
Parent Facilitator
Jennifer Vozenilek

Naramata Elementary
Students



ZOOM FEST 2009

Zoom Fest is a BC film festival that challenges grades 7 to 12 students to produce an original short film in 48 hours which is based on an assigned theme and prop. This year's topic was "Nothing Lasts Forever" and the basic prop was an egg. An awards ceremony was held for Zoom Fest in Vancouver on December 5 and students from Mr. Russ Stasiuk's media program (Jordan Findlay, grade 11; Rylan Kinnen, grade 12; Kevin Manning, grade 12; Hayes Richards, grade 12; Matia Theodosakis, grade 12; and Taylor Thompson, grade 12) walked away with several awards (Best Male Actor – Kevin Manning with a full scholarship to Vancouver Film School valued at \$6,700; Best Cinematography – second place for Jordan Findlay and Rylan Kinnen along with four scholarships to Spring Film Bootcamp; Pacific Cinematheque and FTX Events Script to Screen – second place to Kevin Manning; Best Group Performance – second place; Best Sound/Original Score – second place to Taylor Thompson; and VFS Judges Selection) for their video "Hometown". Seventy films were submitted to the competition, three of which were from Penticton Secondary School.

Congratulations were extended to Mr. Stasiuk and the students for their awards.



Kevin Manning ~ Grade 12
Zoom Fest 2009

JAPAN FIELDTRIP

From September 26 to October 8, 2009, two supervisors and 21 students from Penticton Secondary, Summerland Secondary and Princess Margaret Secondary travelled to Tokyo and our sister city Ikeda, Japan, on a cultural field trip. Vice Principal Jeff Guy, teacher sponsor Jenny Ayers, and two students, Landen Lacroix and Tia Kutschera-Fox presented a slideshow and described highlights and experiences of their trip.

Appreciation was extended to the students for their presentation.



Teacher/Sponsor
Jenny Ayers



Vice Principal
Jeff Guy
Penticton Secondary



Landen Lacroix (above)
&
Tia Kutschera-Fox (below)

Presented Slide Show on the
Japan Fieldtrip



OKANAGAN SCHOOL OF THE ARTS

Representatives of the Okanagan School of the Arts, Executive Director Samarpan Faasse, Vice President Jane Shaak, President Cal Meiklejohn, and Treasurer Jennifer Johnston, made a presentation to the Board of Education regarding the development of the "Shatford Centre" project. Entitled "Where History Meets Innovation", the presentation described plans to develop the Shatford building into a centre for accredited programs in arts training and entrepreneurial development. The group has received \$400,000 from the Community Adjustment Fund, subject to receiving \$520,000 from local fundraising, and hopes to begin renovations in April with completion by March 31, 2011. The group is looking to the school district and City of Penticton for assistance.

Following the presentation, trustees were reminded of the handshake agreement between the school district and City of Penticton whereby the school district would take responsibility for preserving the Ellis building and the City would take responsibility for preserving the Shatford building and put it to community use. The school district has invested \$3.1 million into the renovation of the Ellis building and trustees now believe the onus is on the City of Penticton to do their part in preserving the Shatford building. Trustees also commented on the lack of funds for capital projects, the inability to use educational dollars for this project, and the expected deterioration of the building if boarded up. Trustees are hopeful the City of Penticton will support the building as promised. Superintendent Wendy Hyer and Secretary-Treasurer Ron Shongrunden reviewed details of Friday's meeting held with the Okanagan School of the Arts. The Board hopes that support of in-kind donations such as landscaping, a lease arrangement, and/or unused furniture can be used in order to receive matching funds.

Trustees extended appreciation for the presentation.



Samarpan Faasse
Executive Director

Okanagan School
of the Arts

Cal Meiklejohn
President

Okanagan School
of the Arts



Jane Shaak
Vice President

Okanagan School
of the Arts