

The Board of Education of

School District No.5 (Southeast Kootenay)

MINUTES - REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING

April 11, 2023, 3:00 p.m. Cranbrook Board Office

Present: Chairperson Doug McPhee

Trustee Bev Bellina (remotely)

Trustee Irene Bischler Trustee Alysha Clarke Trustee Nicole Heckendorf

Trustee Chris Johns

Trustee Sarah Madsen (remotely)
Trustee Wendy Turner (remotely)

Regrets: Trustee Trina Ayling

Staff Present: Superintendent Viveka Johnson

Secretary Treasurer Nick Taylor

Director of Instruction Human Resources Brent Reimer

Director of Student Learning and Aboriginal Education Jason Tichauer

Director of Student Learning and Innovation Diane Casault

Operations Manager Joe Tank

District Principal Student Services Darcy Verbeurgt

District Principal of Transformative Learning Jennifer Roberts Executive Assistant to Secretary Treasurer (recorder) Jane Nixon

1. COMMENCEMENT OF MEETING

1.1 Call to Order

Chair McPhee called the April 11, 2023, regular public meeting of the Board of Education to order at 3:07 p.m.

1.2 Greeting

Chair McPhee acknowledged that we have gathered here in the Homelands of the Ktunaxa people.

1.3 Chairperson's Opening Remarks and Recognitions

1.4 Opening Round

Members of the Board, District Management, District Staff and local Union Presidents shared a reflection of gratitude.

1.5 Consideration and Approval of Agenda

Additions:

7.2 Columbia Basin Environmental Education Network (CBEEN)/Wildsight Society

MOTION R-23-064

Moved/Seconded by Heckendorf/Bischler:

THAT the agenda for the regular public meeting of the Board of Education of April 11, 2023, be approved as amended.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1.6 Approval of the Minutes

Minutes of the Public meeting of the Board of Education of March 14, 2023

MOTION R-23-065

Moved/Seconded by Johns/Bellina:

THAT the minutes of the regular public meeting of the Board of Education of March 14, 2023, be approved as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1.7 Receipt of Records of Closed Meetings

MOTION R-23-066

Moved/Seconded by Turner/Bischler:

THAT the Board accept the closed records of the in-camera meeting of the Board of Education of April 3, 2023.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1.8 Business Arising from Previous Minutes

Nil

2. RECEIVING OF DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

Nil

3. COMMITTEE REPORTS/TRUSTEE REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

3.1 Advocacy/Education Committee

No meeting in March

3.2 Policy Committee

No meeting in March

3.3 Student Services Committee

No meeting in March

3.4 Finance/Operations/Personnel Committee

No meeting in March

3.5 BCSTA /Provincial Council

Trustee Bellina provided a verbal report on the BCSTA Annual General Meeting.

MOTION R-23-067

Moved/Seconded by Bellina/Clarke:

THAT the Board accept the report of the BCSTA/Provincial Council.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3.6 Communications/Media Committee

Nil

3.7 Mount Baker Secondary School Replacement Committee

Trustee Johns provided a verbal report from the Mount Baker Secondary School Replacement Committee.

MOTION R-23-068

Moved/Seconded by Johns/Clarke:

THAT the Board of Education write a letter to MLA Tom Shypitka expressing appreciation for his support for the replacement of Mount Baker Secondary School in the BC Legislature on April 6, 2023.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION R-23-069

Moved/Seconded by Johns/Bischler:

THAT the Board accept the report of the Mount Baker Secondary School Replacement Committee.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3.8 Key City Theatre

Nil

3.9 Legacy of Learning

Trustee Johns directed attention to the new display in Boardroom Two (B2) at the Cranbrook Board Office. He also provided information on new displays that will be updated in the near future. He also discussed the Legacy of Learning's request for continued funding from the Board of Education.

MOTION R-23-070

Moved/Seconded by Johns/Heckendorf:

THAT the Board accept the Legacy of Learning report.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3.10 French Immersion Update

Nil

3.11 Trustee Reports/Bouquets

Trustees reported on their activities for the month.

- Trustee Bellina acknowledged trustees, school administration and district administration for their continued diligent work.
- Trustee Turner acknowledged staff in schools as they return from spring break and continue to work with students towards the end of the school year.

4. SECRETARY TREASURER'S REPORT TO THE BOARD

4.1 Updates

4.1.1 Cranbrook Ad Hoc Traffic Safety Committee

Secretary Treasurer Taylor provided an update from the Cranbrook Traffic Safety Committee. The committee is currently gathering data and will meet again on of May 24, 2023, to determine and prioritize actionable items.

4.1.2 Banking Proposals

Banking proposals will be presented to the selection panel on Monday, April 17, 2023.

4.2 Recommendations

MOTION R-23-071

Moved/Seconded by Johns/Clarke:

THAT the Secretary Treasurer's report be accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT TO THE BOARD

5.1 Updates

Superintendent Johnson discussed upcoming District community engagement nights. She also provided information on surveys to be distributed to align district priorities. In addition, Superintendent Johnson reminded the public that child care survey summaries will be posted on the District website in the near future.

5.2 Recommendations

MOTION R-23-072

Moved/Seconded by Bellina/Heckendorf:

THAT the Superintendent's Report be presented as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

6.1 Updates

Nil

6.2 Recommendations

Nil

7. NEW BUSINESS

7.1 Business Arising from Delegations

Nil

7.2 Columbia Basin Environmental Education Network (CBEEN)/Wildsight Society

MOTION R-23-073

Moved/Seconded by Johns/Bellina:

THAT the Board research and write a letter in support of CBEEN/Wildsight's endeavours to restore and enhance the Columbia Basin Trust funding for environmental education for 2024 to 2034.

8. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION/CORRESPONDENCE

- 8.1 Letter from Ministry of Education and Child Care
- 8.2 Letter from Ministry of Education and Child Care
- 8.3 Letter from Labour Market and Trades Training Policy Branch
- 8.4 April 17 Banking Requests for Proposal Review
- 8.5 April 18 Next Budget Working Session
- 8.6 April 24 RSA Day
- 8.7 April 25 Committee Day
- 8.8 April 27-30 BCSTA Annual General Meeting

9. QUESTION PERIOD

10. CLOSING ROUND

Trustees, District Management and local Union Presidents were offered an opportunity to share a final comment on the meeting.

11. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION R-23-074

Moved/Seconded by Bischler/Heckendorf:

THAT the April 11, 2023, regular public meeting of the Board of Education adjourn at 3:50 p.m.

What have we done at this meeting to help our students become more interested in school and to support them in their personal learning journey?

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Doug McPhee, Chairperson	Nick Taylor, Secretary Treasurer