

The Board of Education of School District No.5 (Southeast Kootenay) AGENDA - REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING

January 14, 2020, 3:00 p.m. Jaffray Elem. Jr. Secondary School

Pages

1. COMMENCEMENT OF MEETING

1.1 Call to Order

I want to acknowledge that we have gathered here in the Homelands of the Ktunaxa people.

1.2 Consideration and Approval of Agenda

M/S that the agenda for the regular public meeting of the Board of Education of January 14, 2020 be approved as [circulated / amended].

1.3 Approval of the Minutes

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M/S that the minutes of the regular public meeting of the Board of Education of December 10, 2019 be approved as [circulated/amended].

1.4 Receipt of Records of Closed Meetings

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M/S to accept the closed records of the in-camera meeting of the Board of Education of December 10, 2019.

1.5 Business Arising from Previous Minutes

1.5.1 2020 Standing Committee Representatives

1.6 Receiving of Delegations/Presentations

2. COMMITTEE REPORTS/TRUSTEE REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

2.1 Advocacy/Education Committee

No meeting in December.

M/S that the Board accept the report of the Advocacy/Education Committee.

2.2 Policy Committee

No meeting in December.

2.3 Student Services Committee

No meeting in December.

2.4 Finance/Operations/Personnel Committee

No meeting in December.

RECOMMENDATION A (from the November 25, 2019 meeting)

M/S that the Secretary Treasurer, Trustee McPhee and Trustee Whalen continue to purse the issue of installing flashing speed zone lights with the City of Cranbrook in front of Steeples Elementary School and Amy Woodland Elementary School. And further; that the notes from the September 25, 2019 meeting be forwarded to the council of the City of Cranbrook.

2.5 BCSTA /Provincial Council

2.6 Communications/Media Committee

M/S to accept the report of the Communications/Media Committee.

2.7 Mount Baker Secondary School Replacement Committee

M/S to accept the report of the Mount Baker Secondary School Replacement Committee.

2.8 Key City Theatre

M/S to accept the report of the Key City Theatre.

2.9 Legacy of Learning

M/S to accept the Legacy of Learning report.

2.10 Trustee Reports

3. SECRETARY TREASURER'S REPORT TO THE BOARD

Reporting on (finances/budget, capital projects, facilities, operations/maintenance/transportation)

3.1 Stantec - Mount Baker Secondary School Building Assessment Report

M/S that the January Secretary Treasurer's Report to the Board of Education be accepted as presented.

4. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT TO THE BOARD

The "Pathways to Learning" report can be found on the School District's website at www.sd5.bc.ca.

M/S that the January Superintendent's Report to the Board of Education be accepted as presented.

5. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

6. NEW BUSINESS

6.1 Business Arising from Delegations

7. TRUSTEE BOUQUETS

8. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION/CORRESPONDENCE

8.1 Statement of Financial Disclosure - 2019

Trustees are required to submit their completed signed forms for the 2019 year to Mr. Rice by January 15, 2020.

8.2 BCPSEA AGM January 30-31, 2020

9. QUESTION PERIOD

10. LATE ITEMS

11. ADJOURNMENT

M/S that the January 14, 2020 regular public meeting of the Board of Education adjourn at [time].



The Board of Education of School District No.5 (Southeast Kootenay)

MINUTES - REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING

December 10, 2019, 3:00 p.m. Cranbrook Board Office

Present: Chairperson Lento

Trustee Ayling

Trustee Bellina – by zoom
Trustee Damstrom – by zoom

Trustee Johns
Trustee Kitt
Trustee McPhee
Trustee Turner
Trustee Whalen

Staff Present Superintendent, S. Yardley

Secretary Treasurer, A. Rice

Director of Instruction/Human Resources, B. Reimer

Director of Student Learning/Aboriginal Education, J. Tichauer Director of Instruction/Student Learning and Innovation, D. Casault

District Principal/Student Services, D. Verbeurgt District Principal/Transformative Learning, J. Roberts Executive Assistant, (recorder) Sandy Gronlund

1. COMMENCEMENT OF MEETING

1.1 Call to Order

Chairperson Lento called the December 10, 2019 regular public meeting of the Board of Education to order at 3:02 p.m.

1.2 Consideration and Approval of Agenda

Addition: 3.4 School District 5 Audit Tender

MOTION R-19-175

M/S that the agenda for the regular public meeting of the Board of Education of December 10, 2019 be approved as amended.

CARRIED

Chair Lento turned the meeting over to Mr. Rice to act as Chair.

1.3 Election of Chairperson and Representatives

Mr. Rice assumed the Chair of the meeting as per the Procedural Bylaw policy.

1.3.1 Election of Chairperson

Policy 1.2 Procedural Bylaw

Mr. Rice made the call for nominations for the position of Board Chairperson.

Trustee Lento accepted a nomination as designated by Trustee Bellina on the condition he would be unable to travel overnight.

Mr. Rice made a second and final call for nominations and then declared nominations cease.

Mr. Rice declared Trustee Lento the Chairperson of the Board of Education.

Chairperson Lento assumed the chair of the meeting.

1.3.2 Election of BCPSEA Representative

Chairperson Lento made the first call for nominations for a Board representative for the BC Public School Employers' Association (BCPSEA).

Trustee Damstrom accepted a nomination as designated by Trustee Bellina.

Chairperson Lento made a second and final call for nominations, then declared nominations cease.

Chairperson Lento declared Trustee Damstrom as the Board representative to the BC Public School Employers' Association.

1.3.3 Election of BC Pubic Schools Employers' (BCPSEA) Association Alternate Representative

Chairperson Lento made the first call for nominations for the alternate Board representative to the BC Public School Employers' Association.

Trustee Bellina accepted a nomination as designated by Trustee Whalen.

Chairperson Lento made a second and final call for nominations, then declared nominations cease.

Chairperson Lento declared Trustee Bellina as the Board alternate representative to the BC Public School Employers' Association.

1.3.4 Election of BC School Trustee Association Provincial Council Representative

Chairperson Lento made the first call for nominations for a Board representative as the BC School Trustees Association Provincial Council.

Trustee Bellina accepted a nomination as designated by Trustee Johns.

Chairperson Lento made a second and final call for nominations, then declared nominations cease.

Chairperson Lento declared Trustee Bellina as the Board representative for the BC School Trustee Association Provincial Council.

1.3.5 Elections of BC School Trustee Association Provincial Council Alternate Representative

Chairperson Lento made the first call for nominations for an alternate Board representative to the BC School Trustee Association Provincial Council.

Trustee Turner declined a nomination as designated by Trustee Bellina. Trustee Ayling accepted a nomination as designated by Trustee Whalen.

Chairperson Lento made a second and final call for nominations, then declared nominations cease.

Chairperson Lento declared Trustee Ayling as the Board alternate representative to the BC School Trustee Association Alternate Provincial Council.

1.4 Approval of the Minutes

Minutes of the Public meeting of the Board of Education of November 12, 2019.

MOTION R-19-176

M/S that the minutes of the regular public meeting of the Board of Education of November 12, 2019 be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

1.5 Receipt of Records of Closed Meetings

MOTION R-19-177

M/S to accept the closed records of the in-camera meeting of the Board of Education of November 12, 2019.

CARRIED

1.6 Business Arising from Previous Minutes Nil.

1.7 Receiving of Delegations/Presentations Nil.

2. COMMITTEE REPORTS/TRUSTEE REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

2.1 Advocacy/Education Committee

Co-chair Trustee Turner reviewed the minutes of the November 25, 2019 meeting of the Advocacy/Education Committee.

MOTION R-19-178

M/S that the Board provide in-kind support as well as advertising support for the BC Performing Arts Provincial Festival in Cranbrook June 2-6, 2020.

CARRIED

MOTION R-19-179

M/S that the Board accept the report of the Advocacy/Education Committee.

CARRIED

2.2 Policy Committee

Co-chair Trustee Ayling reviewed the minutes of the November 25, 2019 meeting of the Policy Committee.

MOTION R-19-180

M/S that Policy 3.14 Provision of Menstrual Products to Students be approved by the Board of Education.

CARRIED

MOTION R-19-181

M/S that the Board accept the report of the Policy Committee.

CARRIED

2.3 Student Services Committee

Co-chair Trustee McPhee reviewed the minutes of the November 25, 2019 meeting of the Student Services Committee.

MOTION R-19-182

M/S that the Board accept the report of the Student Services Committee.

CARRIED

2.4 Finance/Operations/Personnel Committee

Co-chair Trustee Kitt reviewed the minutes of the November 25, 2019 meeting of the Finance/Operations/Personnel Committee.

Recommendation A from the November 25, 2019 public Finance/Operations/Personnel Committee meeting will be ready to be forwarded to the January 14, 2020 Board meeting.

MOTION R-19-183

M/S that the Board accept the report of the Finance/Operations/Personnel Committee.

CARRIED

2.5 BCSTA /Provincial Council

Trustee Bellina attended the Provincial Council on October 25-26, 2019 and has emailed her report to the Board.

Trustee Bellina was unable to attend the BCSTA Trustee Academy on November 28-30, 2019. She asked the trustees who attended to share some of their highlights from the conference.

Trustee Whalen:

- Reported that like our own district, School District 8 is looking into installing seatbelts on school busses.
- School District 6 has the challenge of a highway closure due to upgrades and will require new bus routes in the mean time, which may not be as safe a route. They may need support from the Kootenay Boundary Districts to put forth a motion to the Ministry regarding highway closures.

➤ The presentations were very good. Eli Mina presented at the pre conference and he was very informative in regards to meeting governance and motions.

Trustee Ayling:

Will put together some information from the Trustee Academy and distribute at the next meeting.

Trustee Damstrom:

Enjoyed the Academy and appreciated the great information provided.

2.6 Communications/Media Committee

Trustee Ayling reported that she is awaiting the approval on one media item to release.

MOTION R-19-184

M/S to accept the report of the Communications/Media Committee.

CARRIED

2.7 Mount Baker Secondary School (MBSS) Replacement Committee

Trustee Johns reported that we are waiting for the report from Stantec on the building assessment completed at MBSS.

MOTION R-19-185

M/S to accept the report of the Mount Baker Secondary School Replacement Committee.

CARRIED

2.8 Key City Theatre

Trustee McPhee reported on the Annual General Meeting.

The Key City Theatre has a fundraiser - \$20 per ticket. The prize is a \$5000 travel voucher. Tickets are available at the Key City Theatre and from Ms. Tyson at TM Roberts Elementary school.

MOTION R-19-186

M/S to accept the report of the Key City Theatre.

CARRIED

2.9 Legacy of Learning

Trustee Johns distributed a detailed summary from Anna Majkowski of past projects and future projects the Legacy of Learning is working on.

Some Highlights included:

- > revolving slide show in the fover of the Cranbrook Board Office
- moving ahead with the RSA day display coming up at MBSS
- continuing to apply for grants as the Legacy of Learning is non-profit
- > yearbooks on the Legacy website

Trustee Kitt reported that the Elkford Society is working on exhibits that they may like to add some Elk Valley photos from the Legacy of Learning.

Trustee Damstrom suggested the First Perk Coffee House and the community hall in Jaffray may have some space to display exhibits.

Trustee Bellina suggested the Sparwood Museum may be interested in displaying exhibits.

MOTION R-19-187

M/S to accept the Legacy of Learning report.

CARRIED

2.10 Trustee Reports

Trustees reported on their activities for the month.

3. SECRETARY TREASURER'S REPORT TO THE BOARD

3.1 2019-20 Amended Capital Budget Bylaw

The amendment to the Capital Budget Bylaw is the addition of the purchase of two school busses to replace two busses in Fernie that were wrote off by I.C.B.C.

MOTION R-19-188

M/S that the Board consent to three readings of the 2019-20 Amended Capital Project Bylaw # 2019/20-CPSD05-02.

CARRIED

MOTION R-19-189

M/S that the Board of Education read a first time, the 2019-20 Amended Capital Project Bylaw # 2019/20-CPSD05-02, the 10th day of December, 2019.

CARRIED

MOTION R-19-190

M/S that the Board of Education read a second time, the Capital Project Bylaw # 2019/20-CPSD05-02, the 10th day of December, 2019.

CARRIED

MOTION R-19-191

M/S that the Board of Education read a third time, the Capital Project Bylaw # 2019/20-CPSD05-02, the 10th day of December, 2019.

CARRIED

3.2 Statement of Financial Information Report (SOFI)

Mr. Rice reviewed the SOFI report with the Board at the November 25, 2019 Fin/Ops/Personnel committee meeting.

MOTION R-19-192

M/S that the Board approve the School District Statement of Financial Information report, fiscal year ended June 30, 2019, be submitted to the Minister of Education and to make the report available to the public.

CARRIED

3.3 Lead/Water Regulation

Mr. Rice shared a summary of the levels required by Health Canada of lead in drinking water.

In March of 2019, Health Canada lowered the lead allowed from 10 micrograms down to 5 micrograms. We are lowering our level to 5 micrograms. Signs are

posted at each water station in the district with a warning that in order to reach this safe level, the water must run for 10 micrograms seconds before drinking.

3.4 School District 5 Audit Tender

The request for proposal for audit services was advertised in the local paper and closed November 29, 2019. BDO Canada LLP was the only tender received. The contract will be for a three- year period commencing June 2020.

MOTION R-19-193

M/S that the Board accept the Audit Tender from BDO Canada LLP for a 3 year period beginning June 2020.

CARRIED

MOTION R-19-194

M/S that the December 10, 2019 Secretary Treasurer's Report to the Board of Education be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

4. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT TO THE BOARD

The "Pathways to Learning" report can be found on the School District's website at www.sd5.bc.ca.

MOTION R-19-195

M/S that the December 10, 2019 Superintendent's Report to the Board of Education be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

Trustee Johns would like trustees given the opportunity to attend some of the Pro-D activities.

Enrollment Report:

Trustee Johns would like the Board to see the Student Enrollment report include the full time equivalent (FTE) number as well as the head count number. Mr. Tichauer offered to share the information at the January Committee meeting.

5. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Nil.

6. NEW BUSINESS

6.1 2020 Standing Committee Representatives

Chair Lento asked the Trustees to review the form for Standing Committee Representatives and they will discuss them at a working session before the Board meeting on January 14, 2019 to ratify.

7. TRUSTEE BOUQUETS

- > Trustee Bellina for Trustee Academy attendees. The tech department for assisting her on her email issues.
- Trustee Whalen for the lovely lunch today and gift from Mrs. Yardley and Mr. Rice.

- Trustee McPhee for Mrs. Carol Kershaw, his grade 8 French teacher at Laurie Jr. Secondary School in 1968 who was a positive influence. Years later at Parkland Jr. Secondary School as a practicum teacher he met Mrs. Kershaw again. She was a counsellor and gave support by attending some of his classes and offering him tips to help in his teaching career.
- Trustee Turner for Heather Hockley teaching her how the HR system works in applying for CUPE positions so she can help others if need be. She is grateful for all the staff at this time of year.
- > Trustee Ayling for the lunch and gifts, really appreciated it all.
- > Trustee Johns for the lunch today and the Christmas celebration last week. He wished everyone a safe and happy break.
- ➤ Trustee Kitt for the lunch, the Elkford Secondary School prep rally. She acknowledged the Principal and Vice Principal for their participation in a basketball game against the students and the mentorship they give to the students.
- Chair Lento for the traditional pause this time of year and for the lunch provided. Trustee McPhee for acknowledging one of his former teachers, Carol Kershaw.
- Chair Lento for his chemistry teacher at Rocky Mountain Elementary School, Peter Caulfield.

8. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION/CORRESPONDENCE

8.1 Statement of Financial Disclosure – 2019

Trustees are required to submit their completed signed forms for the 2019 year to Mr. Rice before January 15, 2020.

8.2 BCPSEA AGM January 30-31, 2020

9. QUESTION PERIOD

Nil.

10. LATE ITEMS

Nil.

11. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION R-19-196

M/S that the December 10, 2019 regular public meeting of the Board of Education adjourn at 4:27 p.m.

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Frank Lento, Chairperson	Alan Rice, Secretary Treasurer



1.4. RECEIPT OF RECORDS OF CLOSED MEETINGS

In-camera Meeting December 10, 2019

- Finance/Operations/Personnel Committee report
 - SD5 Audit Tender
 - o Exempt Compensation
 - Funding Model Summary
 - Bargaining Update
 - Personnel
 - o Bussing
- BCPSEA Representative Report
- Pathways to Learning Report
 - Staffing Update

Alan Řice

Secretary Treasurer



January, 2020





School District 5 (Southeast Kootenay)

PATHWAYS TO LEARNING

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Engaging All Learners

Goals To inspire all learning partners to create and contribute to an engaging, personalized educational experience for our learners.

- Provide a safe, supportive environment that fosters continued growth in a rapidly changing environment
- Honour all pathways to graduation
- Acknowledge deeper learning opportunities based on individual strengths and abilities

Advocacy

Goal: Advocate for specific needs in our District and for public education in general.

- Encourage governments to fully fund public education
- Advance the replacement of aging schools through Ministry and community partnerships
- Provide a forum for the development and celebration of innovative practices



Effective Communication

Goals Continue to foster two-way, ethical communication between the District and all learners, students, staff, parents and community in a timely, concise and inclusive manner.

- Ensure information is current
- Provide user-friendly platforms
- Create opportunities for meaningful dialogue

Inclusive Partnerships

Goal: Cultivate opportunities for shared community awareness, engagement and resources to enhance student learning.

- Engage community participation in providing meaningful student learning opportunities
- Promote educational partnerships that enhance student learning and are beneficial to the community
- Advance active community engagement in real-world learning opportunities for students

Welcome Back!

by Silke Yardley



Welcome back to 2020! It is hard to believe that we are in new decade and that Christmas holidays have come and gone. The time between January and spring break is a prime learning time for our students where all of the systems and procedures are in place, classroom routes are well established and this is a great time for students to focus on their learning.

The board and district staff are also focused on student learning and are looking carefully at different information from our students in order to plan for next year. It seems strange to be talking next year, but budgeting starts and district staff and the board start to look at the areas that may need support for the following year to improve student learning outcomes. We look forward to working with our partner groups on the upcoming budget to support our students and schools.

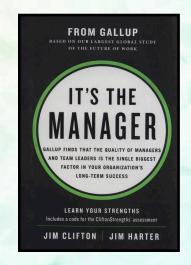
My focus for the next few months will also be to visit schools. I hope to pop into different classrooms and visit with students and staff and see the great work that is happening in our district.

District staff, principals and vice principals have just completed their personal, professional growth plans for the year. The professional growth model is a framework for supporting and encouraging the professional development and growth for our SD 5 management team. The professional growth model is a continuous process aimed at enhancing professional learning, growth, performance and heightening job satisfaction. During the yearlong cycle, action is initiated, feedback sought, data is collected and analyzed and progress is made. We will be connecting in February to see how growth plans are going and how we can help support.

It is always good to look at leadership and how to grow and the following resonated with me. The authors Jim Clifton (CEO of Gallup) and Jim Harter (Gallup's Chief Scientist) share information on "The 5 Traits of Great Managers... where the work centers around two things: examining traits that tend to come naturally to great leaders based on their 'hardwiring', and what the best managers choose to intentionally improve upon over time."

The 5 Traits of Great Managers:

- 1. They inspire teams to get exceptional work done.
- 2. They set goals and provide resources for teams to excel.
- B. They influence others to act, pushing through adversity and resistance.
- 4. They build committed, collaborative teams and deep bonds.
- 5. They take an analytical approach to strategy and decision-making.



It is great for us to strive to move towards any of the top 5 in our leadership development in every capacity. Click here for the whole article: "The 5 Traits of Great Managers".

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Out and About

On our last professional development day, Alan Rice and I visited the Changing Results for Young Children learning session at St Eugene's. We chatted with a very enthusiastic group of educators who organized the day. We were also fortunate to meet with Maureen Dockendorff and Carol Johns in the afternoon to discuss the implementation of the new Early Learning Framework.



The BC principals' association president David DeRosa came for a visit to our district and Alan and I had the pleasure of meeting with him and our PVP president Aaron Thorne. We had good conversations about their new BCPVPA standards tool to support principal and vice principal growth plans, and also on their mentorship program.





Alan and I then traveled to Sparwood where Frank J. Mitchell elementary school had brought in Dr. Jen Kelly, a teacher from the Provincial Outreach Program for Early Years (Popey) who was there supporting the teachers. I have had the pleasure of working with Jen in two districts and know how passionate, supportive and a strong teacher-leader she is. It was nice to see she was supporting us in our district!



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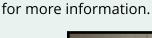
Out and About

We had a great get together with the board and with staff just before Christmas! The food and ambiance at all locations was wonderful!

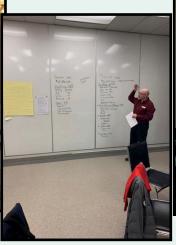




Our inclusion working group met again. This meeting was very emotional as we heard stories of the day in the life of a student services teacher, the day in the life of an EA, and a parent. There wasn't a dry eye in the room when people were presenting. The passion that was shown from all groups was remarkable and made me proud to work in School District 5. We have all partner groups on the committee, please check with your different group leaders









That's it for now, hope to see you in my travels out and about in the schools!

Silke Yardley, Superintendent



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ENGAGING ALL LEARNERS

Thinking Classrooms Series Continues

Following the success of our work with Dr. Peter Liljedahl and Dr. Judy Larson, we have once again partnered with School District 6 to continue with our Thinking Classrooms initiative for Middle and Secondary School teachers. Our second cohort started working with Judy Larson last year, and we have offered this opportunity to keep the conversation going with the teachers from across our district who were in last year's cohort. The first day was in early December and we have a few more in-service days scheduled this spring! Check out more information on Judy's Thinking Classrooms here



Transformative Learning The Teachers of Transformative Learning received an early Christmas present when they learned that the Growing Innovations grant application was approved. The grant will go towards the purchase of two Ocular Quest VR Headsets. The brand new Ocular Quest headsets were used at the DSAC meeting on January 9.

One December 11, 2019 seven grade 7/8 students from Fernie Secondary School, led by Harmony Lloyd, participated in the Hackergal Hackathon. The theme of the day was, "Leaders in HERstory". Students were challenged to collaborate with their teammate to code a game or story using the Lynx platform.







Elkford Secondary is using the Autodesk Sketchbook App to create various art projects. The students have also been using the VR google tilt brush.



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Values – Vision

Fernie Secondary Drama Trip

Fernie Secondary School students went on a field trip to Calgary to Stage West Theater to watch the musical, Mamma Mia.

Values – Collaboration

Mount Baker Fine Arts production of "A Christmas Carol" was a success! Pictured is the student orchestra from the seasonal production.





At the beginning of December, Mount Baker Music Composition and Production students made a field trip to talk about recording arts and performance, and to record Parkland Grade 9 band for their Disneyland audition.



Professional Development

On Thursday, December 5, Student Services teachers met at laffray School for a workshop entitled, "What Does Current Research Say about Fetal Alcohol Syndrome Disorder". Topics of this session included:

- What is FASD from a brain based perspective
- Diagnosis and Designation
- Supporting and Strategies (the 8 Keys and Get Ready, Do Done)
- huge thank you to Kim McKeown and Julie Russchen for organizing the Professional Development sessions in Cranbrook and the Elk Valley on December 6. The feedback from these engaging sessions was very positive and the collaboration with other support staff fostered team building and learning together.

IEP WRITING sessions

The IEP writing sessions continue monthly. These IEP Writing Sessions give our Student Services Teachers a chance to collaborate and collectively review IEP's in an uninterrupted environment.



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INCLUSIVE PARTNERSHIPS

District Student Advisory Council (DSAC)

January 9th saw the first face-to-face District Student Advisory Council (DSAC) meeting of the year. We brought together 7 student-leaders from each of our middle and secondary schools to the Kootenay Learning Campus in Fernie to continue this important program.

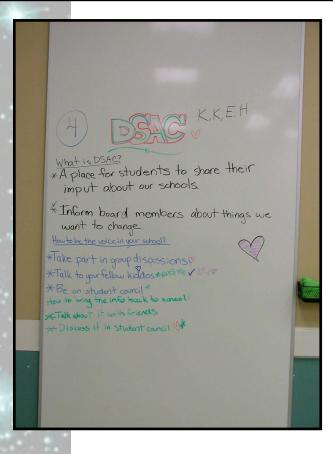
We gathered student feedback on our Menstrual Products policy, Cell Phone Policy as well as important feedback from students on their work in schools on climate change initiatives, helped develop their communication and leadership skills and did some work on vaping education and strategies.

Special thanks to District Principal Jennifer Roberts and her Transformative Learning and Technology Helping Teachers Ryan McKenzie and Kim Froehler, Trustee Bev Bellina, Vice-Principals David Doll and Ian Jarrell for all their help in making this a very successful day for the students.

Our next meeting will be February 20 where we are hoping to bring in a guest speaker on mental health! Stay tuned!

Environmental Education - Students LOVE to learn here

We look forward to updating and reporting on upcoming winter activities in School District 5 during the month of January. Snow shoes, cross country skis and other outdoor adventure gear is available at our DRC!





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fseap SOLUTIONS

An excerpt from the December issue of our Family Services Employee Assistance Program!

Moving Beyond "Just Coping"

We are all different psychologically, so an event that creates acute stress for one person may not affect another. Don't be fooled into thinking that your crisis requires toughening up or "pressing on" like you imagine others might. Stigma against asking for help can lead to needless suffering. Fact: Getting help earlier shortens the period of distress and solves problems faster, and most counseling is not long term. One or two sessions may be all it takes to resolve the problem you face.

Practicum placements and COTR

As always, we are pleased to be in partnership with the COTR and the East Kootenay Teacher Education Program (EKTEP). Not only are we support beginning teachers but are fortunate to also work with the COTR and their Education Assistant program. We also have teacher and EA candidates from U Vic, U of C, UBCO, U of L, Lethbridge College, Stenberg College, Northern Lights College and UNBC. In addition, we are supporting 1 School Psychologist placement. This would not be possible without the great mentor teachers in our District. Thank you for your time and expertise!



District Resource Center - Promoting meaningful student learning

The District Resource Centre has impacted 60 teachers and their students in the first half of the 2019/2020 school year. Novel sets, always a popular item, helped our district teachers foster literacy in Grades 2 and up. By loaning our disc golf sets, we have helped our patrons take their classroom learning outside. Interest in our Aboriginal Education shelf has allowed us to provide resources in print about First Nation's legends to middle school and elementary levels. We look forward to extending and reaching our resources out to everyone in the District in 2020!



Congratulations Janice Paetz on your well-deserved retirement. Your time, energy and dedication to Southeast Kootenay School district has been very much appreciated. Enjoy!! You earned it!! Janice will be wrapping up this week and leaving the education learning department in the very capable hands of Laurel Geisbrecht. Welcome Laurel!



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INCLUSIVE PARTNERSHIPS

Social Emotional Learning Centre





The Social Emotional Learning Program located at Highlands Elementary School is currently serving students from Highlands, Steeples and T.M. Roberts Elementary Schools. They have been operating in this new space since early December. Prior to that the program was supporting students in their home classrooms.

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COMMUNITY





Every year, all Cranbrook schools and the Board Office get to enjoy the wonderful sounds of the Mount Baker Concert Choir! They jump on a bus and travel to each school performing carols at each stop! It always helps students and staff to get into the Christmas Spririt! Thank you Evan Bueckert and your Choir! Have a listen......

n addition to the man<mark>y Ch</mark>ristmas band con<mark>ce</mark>rts, Christmas concerts, Christmas choirs singing in hallways, and many othe<mark>r a</mark>ctivities happening in s<mark>choo</mark>ls over th<mark>e b</mark>usy Christmas season, here is just a few examples of how and to who our schools and our Board Office gives to in our local communities, each and every year!

- Cranbrook and Elk Valley local food banks donations of food, cash and clothing
- Local Salvation Army donations of food, cash and clothing
- Toys for Tots
- Holiday Train fundraiser
- Hampers numerous for each and every school and the Board Office
- Haiti Fundraiser
- Nepal Fundraiser
- Terry Fox Run
- Street Angels

Thank you to all students and staff for a job well done again this year!!

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Holiday Spirit at Laurie Middle School



Outdoor Education students from MBSSon overnight trip to Lake O'Hare









Sparwood Secondary School passion day (fire making and archery) and when the kindy kids came over to make treats in Foods 10-12. Also the grade 7s making ornaments in shop class.

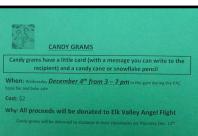
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Fundraising at Isabella Dicken Elementary School - Mrs Conlin's grade 5/6 class sold candy grams to raise money for Angel Flights. Todd Weselake (pilot) and Val Lanthier from Angel Flights (www.angelflightek.ca) came to meet the class and to hear about their fundraising project. They were very touched and appreciative that the class had chosen Angel Flights to fundraise for. This project is becoming a tradition for Mrs. Conlin's students and directly relates to the Core Competency of Social Responsibility in BC's Renewed Curriculum by contributing to the community and acting to bring about a positive change!







The human body under the microscope lab taught to grade 6s from T.M. Roberts Elementary by a grade 10 Science class at Mount Baker Secondary... learning about labs, safety, microscopes and of course Science!

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District Enrolment - January 8,	2020													
School Name	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Total
Jaffray Elem-Jr Secondary	23	19	25	18	19	32	18	19	18	17	13	0	0	221
Isabella Dicken Elementary	84	67	74	55	71	58	69	0	0	0	0	0	0	478
Frank J Mitchell Elementary	73	52	52	63	51	50	63	0	0	0	0	0	0	404
Rocky Mountain Elementary	32	40	34	42	48	28	42	0	0	0	0	0	0	266
Mount Baker Secondary	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	243	268	269	780
Laurie Middle School	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	146	110	122	0	0	0	378
Amy Woodland Elementary	31	37	31	41	44	40	47	0	0	0	0	0	0	271
T M Roberts Elementary	50	44	43	51	59	51	58	0	0	0	0	0	0	356
Gordon Terrace Elementary	37	37	38	40	45	49	27	0	0	0	0	0	0	273
Highlands Elementary	28	26	30	39	40	38	39	0	0	0	0	0	0	240
Pinewood Elem - Cranbrook	19	12	16	13	28	24	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	129
Steeples Elementary	36	29	18	30	30	33	29	0	0	0	0	0	0	205
Kootenay Orchards	21	29	37	26	33	42	32	0	0	0	0	0	0	220
Kootenay Learning Campus	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	51	54
Parkland Middle School	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	137	157	151	0	0	0	445
Elkford Secondary	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	29	36	32	31	26	30	184
Fernie Secondary	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	76	73	61	63	73	45	391
Sparwood Secondary	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	48	54	41	41	37	41	262
Kootenay Educational	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	40	50	103
Kootenay Discovery School	0	0	1	0	2	0	1	0	7	5	4	9	76	105
Total	434	392	399	418	470	445	442	455	455	429	408	456	562	5765