

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

May 8, 2018, 3:00 p.m. Elkford Secondary School

Present: Chairperson Lento

Trustee Ayling – by WebEx Trustee Bellina – by WebEx

Trustee Brown
Trustee Helgesen
Trustee Johns
Trustee McPhee

Trustee Whalen – by WebEx

Regrets: Trustee Blumhagen

Secretary Treasurer, R. Norum

Director of Instruction/Human Resources, B. Reimer

Director of Student Learning/Aboriginal Education, J. Tichauer

District Principal/Student Services, D. Verbeurgt

Recorder, Sandy Gronlund

1. COMMENCEMENT OF MEETING

1.1 Call to Order

Chairperson Lento acknowledge that we are on the traditional lands of the Ktunaxa people and called the May 8, 2018 regular public meeting of the Board of Education to order at 3:10 p.m.

1.2 Consideration and Approval of Agenda

Additions: 5.3 Travel Expense Allowance Policy 4.2

5.4 Professional Development Policy 4.27

MOTION-R-18-77

M/S that the agenda for the regular public meeting of the Board of Education of May 8, 2018 be approved as amended.

CARRIED

1.3 Approval of the Minutes

Minutes of the Public meeting of the Board of Education of April 10, 2018.

MOTION-R-18-78

M/S that the minutes of the regular public meeting of the Board of Education of April 10, 2018 be approved as circulated.

1.4 Receipt of Records of Closed Meetings

MOTION-R-18-79

M/S to accept the closed records of the in-camera meeting of the Board of Education of April 10, 2018.

CARRIED

1.5 Business Arising from Previous Minutes

Nil

1.6 Receiving of Delegations/Presentations

Students from Rocky Mountain Elementary performed a short, entertaining skit to the Board.

1.6.1 Rocky Mountain Elementary Growth Plan & Highlights

Laura-Lee Phillips, Principal of Rocky Mountain Elementary and Thomas Skelton the Vice Principal shared a movie with the Board called "A Beautiful Place to Be". The School and scenes of Elkford were highlighted with pictures of students and staff in the classrooms working on projects, sport activities, outdoor education trips and many other school activities.

The School has reviewed their growth plan and felt that more emphasis was required in reading. They have incorporated more time for reading and the outdoors. The green house will be set up soon and planting can begin. The students are learning about the different plants and how best to grow them.

1.6.2 Presentation - Ian Jarrell ESS Teacher

Ian Jarrell has been a teacher at Elkford Secondary School for the past six years. Ian distributed a document and shared his findings and support for "An Exploration of Applying Experiential Learning Opportunities to Daily Teaching" with the Board.

lan was grateful to have the opportunity to travel to New York City and attend the American Education Research Conference for 5 days. The Conference consisted of 17,000 participants with 10,000 speakers.

2. COMMITTEE REPORTS/TRUSTEE REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

2.1 Advocacy/Education Committee

Co-chair Trustee Whalen reviewed the minutes of the April 23, 2018 meeting of the Advocacy/Education Committee.

MOTION-R-18-80

M/S that the Board write a letter to the Premier of Nova Scotia in support of the Canadian School Boards Association's letter submission regarding the Province of Nova Scotia's decision to abolish locally elected school boards.

MOTION-R-18-81

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

CARRIED

2.2 Policy Committee

Co-chair Trustee Brown reviewed the minutes of the April 23, 2018 meeting of the Policy Committee.

MOTION-R-18-82

M/S that the Board of Education approve draft Policy 3.11 Independent Directed Studies.

CARRIED

MOTION-R-18-83

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

CARRIED

2.3 Student Service Committee

Co-chair Trustee Brown reviewed the minutes of the April 23, 2018 meeting of the Policy Committee.

MOTION-R-18-84

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

CARRIED

2.4 Finance/Operations/Personnel Committee

Co-chair Trustee Helgesen reviewed the minutes of the April 23, 2018 meeting of the Finance/Operations/Personnel Committee.

MOTION-R-18-85

M/S that the Board receive the Board Meeting Dates for 2018-19.

CARRIED

MOTION-R-18-86

M/S that the Board write a letter to the Ministry of Education to petition for the \$382,250 estimated cost for repairs to the Mount Baker Secondary School Drama and Music rooms and bring to the May 8, 2018 Board meeting.

CARRIED

MOTION-R-18-87

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

CARRIED

2.5 BCSTA /Provincial Council

Trustee Bellina attended the BCSTA Chair Meeting and shared Chairperson Lento's five questions. She shared her report of the BCSTA AGM with the Board.

Trustee Ayling also attended the BCSTA AGM and was very impressed with Mr. Termuende's presentation on preparing our students for the workplace. She would like to see him present to our students and at a Pro-D in the District.

MOTION-R-18-88

M/S to accept the report of the BCSTA/Provincial Council.

CARRIED

2.6 Communications/Media Committee

Trustee Ayling reported that we have had no media to send out. She will be writing two letters to send out.

MOTION-R-18-89

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

CARRIED

2.7 Mt. Baker / Key City Theatre Replacement Committee

Mr. Norum reported on the repairs at the Key City Theatre on behalf of Trustee Johns, who was unable to attend today's meeting.

Mr. Norum distributed and reviewed the Draft Minutes of the last meeting held on May 7, 2018 regarding the repairs to the Key City Theatre. The Tender should be ready to go out the 1st week of June.

MOTION-R-18-90

M/S to accept the report of the Mt. Baker / Key City Theatre Replacement Committee.

CARRIED

2.8 Legacy of Learning

Trustee McPhee distributed a report prepared by Trustee Johns on the work with Legacy of Learning.

- A screen monitor has been installed on the wall at the District Board Office.
- It can play 400 images but currently is running 103 images for the next two months.
- The SD5 calendar along with news and events happening at the schools will be added to the screen.
- The Legacy of Learning eventually like to have screens in the schools for all to enjoy.

Trustee Brown supports the idea of having the history brought into the schools like the displays in the Board Office.

MOTION-R-18-91

M/S to accept the Legacy of Learning report.

CARRIED

2.9 Trustee Reports

Trustees reported on their activities for the month.

Trustee Whalen - attended the Steeples Elementary School Flag raising ceremony. Joe Pierre was there and shared some of his stories.

Trustee Brown – Jeremy Russon who worked as a Library Clerk in the District, passed away. He is a great loss to the District.

Trustee McPhee – Attended the Me'tis Kitchen Party at Parkland Middle School.

3. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT TO THE BOARD

The District Management team gave verbal updates for their departments. The "Superintendents Report" is posted on the SD5 website.

Enrolment Report – attached to the Agenda on the SD5 website.

Additional Items:

 Congratulations to Jo-Anna LeGrandeur, teacher at Mount Baker Secondary School, as the fourth recipient from MBSS, to receive the Prime Ministers Award in teaching!

MOTION-R-18-92

M/S that the May 2018 Superintendent's Report to the Board of Education be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

4. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Chairperson Lento says he continues to be focused on looking after students first and then everyone else.

5. NEW BUSINESS

5.1 Kilometer Increase

MOTION-R-18-93

M/S that the Board approve the travel kilometer rate of .54/km effective May 1, 2018.

CARRIED

5.2 2018/19 Budget Bylaw

MOTION-R-18-94

M/S read a first time the 2018/19 Annual Budget for \$62,627,273 on May 8, 2018.

CARRIED

5.3 Travel Expense Allowance Policy 4.2

MOTION-R-18-95

M/S that the Board approve the Travel Expense Allowance Policy 4.2.

CARRIED

5.4 Professional Development Policy 4.27

MOTION-R-18-96

M/S that the Board approve the Professional Development Policy 4.27.

6. TRUSTEE BOUQUETS

Trustee Bellina appreciated the WebEx set up. Thanks to Darcy for reminding us of the Mental Health Wellness day. Thanked the Staff for their hard work.

7. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION/CORRESPONDENCE

7.1 Funding Review Letter SD5

Chairperson Lento is working on this letter.

8. QUESTION PERIOD

Karen Alexander, PAC Chair of Elkford Secondary School, addressed the Board. She appreciates the Board coming to Elkford once a year for the meeting. Karen shared concerns from the PAC.

The PAC has requested information regarding the number of staff transferring from Elkford. They would like to see more consistency in the classrooms. Chairperson Lento advised that it is inappropriate to discuss personnel at public meetings and said he would like to hear about any concerns after the public meeting.

9. LATE ITEMS

10. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION-R-18-97

M/S that the May 8, 2018 regular public meeting of the Board of Education adjourn at 4:20 p.m.

Frank Lento, Chairperson	Rob Norum, Secretary Treasurer