



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

MINUTES - ADVOCACY/EDUCATION COMMITTEE

**May 29, 2023, 9:30 a.m.
Cranbrook Board Office**

Committee Members in Attendance: Co-Chair Trustee Wendy Turner (virtually)
Co-Chair Trustee Alysha Clarke
Trustee Bev Bellina (virtually)

Regrets: Trustee Sarah Madsen

Board/District Staff in Attendance: Chairperson Doug McPhee
Trustee Trina Ayling
Trustee Irene Bischler
Trustee Nicole Heckendorf
Trustee Chris Johns
Superintendent Viveka Johnson
Secretary Treasurer Nick Taylor
Director of Student Learning and Innovation Diane Casault
District Principal Student Services Darcy Verbeurgt
District Vice Principal of Human Resources and Health and Safety
Jaslene Atwal
Executive Assistant (recorder) Amanda Skene

1. COMMENCEMENT OF MEETING

1.1 Call to Order

Trustee Bellina called the Advocacy Education Committee meeting of May 29, 2023, to order at 9:32 a.m.

1.2 Acknowledgement of Ktunaxa Territory

Trustee Bellina acknowledged that we have gathered on the Homelands of the Ktunaxa people.

1.3 Approval of Agenda

Moved/Seconded by Turner/Clarke:

THAT the agenda of the Advocacy Education Committee meeting of May 29, 2023, be approved as circulated.

1.4 Approval of Minutes

Moved/Seconded by Clarke/Turner:

THAT the minutes of the Advocacy Education Committee meeting of April 25, 2023, be approved as circulated.

2. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

2.1 Sparwood Rafting Trip

Principal Kelly gave a brief presentation on the positive outcomes of the Outdoor Education class's rafting trip on the Bull River.

3. PRESENTATIONS – NIL

4. REPORTS

4.1 DSAC Report

Trustee Bellina reported that the last DSAC meeting was held at the KLC on May 17, 2023. The focus of the meeting was on the Anti-Racism policy mandate.

4.2 DPAC Report

No representatives were able to attend the May 10, 2023, DPAC meeting.

4.3 Framework for Enhancing Student Learning (FESL)

Superintendent Johnson reported the following updates on the FESL:

- Four community engagement nights have been held.
- Comments gathered during the sessions and through the survey will be addressed in a virtual community engagement session in September.
- The FESL working group met and discussed the goals for the upcoming year, prioritizing equity and inclusion.

- The August BCSSA meeting will focus on strategic plan mapping for the FESL goals.
- The FESL document will be submitted in September. Districts will then be placed into priority support groups based on the review committee's assessments of the FESL.

4.4 Childcare

Director Casault reported the following updates on childcare:

- The environmental scan report is due to the Ministry of Education and Child Care at the end of June. A report will be given to the Board in August summarizing our current community facilities.
- SD5, College of the Rockies, and CCRR will host an ECE information session on June 1.
- The Early Years application to have the StrongStart program moved back to Isabella Dicken's portable has been approved.
- The Ministry of Education and Child Care has approved funding for an Early Years Learning position.

4.5 School Fees

The Board reviewed the summary of school fees for the upcoming school year. Schools with remaining funds from the Student Affordability Fund can access these funds to cover qualifying expenses.

4.6 AGM

The Board reviewed Trustee Ayling's notes from the BCSTA AGM.

5. NEW BUSINESS – NIL

6. ACTION ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS – NIL

7. CORRESPONDENCE

7.1 Kindergarten Screening

7.1.1 Dyslexia BC to BCSTA

Receive and File

8. ADJOURNMENT

Moved/Seconded by Turner/Clarke:

THAT the May 29, 2023, Advocacy Education Committee meeting be adjourned at 10:48 a.m.

Have we continued to enhance high standards, noble expectations, elevated commitments and quality performances to support student achievement?