



**The Board of Education of
School District No.5 (Southeast Kootenay)
Minutes – Policy Committee**

**April 24, 2017, 11:00 a.m.
Board Office**

**Committee Members
In Attendance:**

**Co-Chair Trustee Brown (Chair)
Co-Chair Trustee Ayling
Trustee McPhee**

Regrets:

Trustee Helgesen

**Board/District Staff in
Attendance:**

**Trustee Bellina
Trustee Blumhagen
Trustee Johns
Chairperson Lento
Trustee Whalen
Lynn Hauptman, Superintendent
Diane Casault, Director of Student Learning/Innovation
Jason Tichauer, Director of Student Learning/Aboriginal Educ.
Darcy Verbeurgt, District Principal of Student Services
Janice Paetz, Executive Assistant (Recorder)**

1. COMMENCEMENT OF MEETING

1.1. Call to Order

The Policy Committee meeting of April 24, 2017 was called to order at 11:03 a.m. by Co-Chair Brown. This meeting is being held on the lands of the Ktunaxa People.

1.2. Approval of the Agenda

POL-2017-05

M/S that the agenda for the Policy Committee meeting of April 24, 2017 be approved as amended.

Addition: 4.2 International Travel

1.3. Approval of the Minutes

POL-2017-06

M/S that the minutes of the Policy Committee meeting of February 27, 2017 be approved as circulated.

2. POLICIES APPROVED BY THE BOARD SINCE LAST MEETING

Nil

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

3.1 Draft Policy – Partnerships/Sponsorships

Discussion included:

- creating a list is an almost impossible task due to fluidity of relationships – there would never be a complete list
- BC School Sports has regulations that supersede anything the district would have in place
- policy should show boundaries for partnerships/sponsorships for schools
- we still need to define ‘large scale’
- could add wording to explain what is not a partnership/sponsorship
- definitions of donations, grants, gifts need to be included
- PAC connections are also very common but would not be covered by this policy
- could make regulations that could then be updated as needed
- Mrs. Casault & Mr. Tichauer will look at further definitions, defining large scale, reviewing partner group feedback (originally received in October) and bring back revised documents to the May meeting.

4. CORRESPONDENCE AND/OR NEW ITEMS

4.1 Policy 3.20 Summer School Instruction

- we are looking at changing how we deliver education as a whole (i.e. continuous education through the KDS, Distance Learning and Adult Education)
- our original plan was to put everything together but now realize more investigation needs to be done to see how this would work
- we no longer offer summer school as outlined in the policy.

Recommendation A

“M/S that Policy 3.20 Summer School Instruction be sent to the Board of Education for deletion.”

4.2 International Travel

Discussion included:

- We have planned trips to the United States (Silverwood, Disneyland). Schools have all received the travel bulletin information from BCSTA and made sure they have all required documentation as outlined.
- Janet Levang, teacher at GTES, has offered her services to help any school to ensure they have required documentation (very experienced in this area)
- Ministry usually notifies districts when there are issues for international travel and we’ve received nothing from them so far.
- Trustee Ayling would like to see that parents who have students travelling receive the information regarding possibilities of being detained with no adult present. Information could be posted online or given to students to take home.

- Students are required to have their own insurance in place prior to travel. District is self ensured through School Protection Branch.
- Provisions need to be made for those unforeseen situations (i.e. who would stay behind with student if they were refused entry).

4.3 Marijuana Policy

Discussion included:

- There are several steps that need to be completed prior to it reaching the district level.
- BCSTA would probably write the policy for all BC school districts.
- Workplace drug testing – how does that affect our district i.e. teachers working with minors?

5. INFORMATION ITEMS

Policy 3.21 Adult Education

Policy 3.42 Students Registered for Distance Education

As per discussion under 3.20.

6. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:42 a.m.