



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

MINUTES - ADVOCACY/EDUCATION COMMITTEE

**April 25, 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 (virtually)
Secretary Treasurer Nick Taylor
Director of Student Learning and Aboriginal Education Jason Tichauer
District Principal Student Services Darcy Verbeurgt
Executive Assistant (recorder) Amanda Skene

1. COMMENCEMENT OF MEETING

1.1 Call to Order

Co-Chair Trustee Clarke called the Advocacy Education Committee meeting of April 25, 2023, to order at 9:32 a.m.

1.2 Acknowledgement of Ktunaxa Territory

Co-Chair Trustee Clarke acknowledged that we have gathered on the Homelands of the Ktunaxa people.

1.3 Approval of Agenda

Additions:

4.5.1 Recommendation for Childcare

5.1 Pinewood PAC Letter

Moved/Seconded by: Turner/Bellina

THAT the agenda of the Advocacy Education Committee meeting of April 25, 2023, be approved as amended.

1.4 Approval of Minutes

Amendment:

2.1 Recommendation A: Rephrase "Trustee Ayling" to "The Board."

7.1.1 Recommendation B: Rephrase "Trustee Ayling" to "The Board."

7.3 Recommendation C: Rephrase "Trustee Ayling" to "The Board."

Moved/Seconded by: Turner/Bellina

THAT the minutes of the Advocacy Education Committee meeting of February 27, 2023, be approved as amended.

2. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

2.1 Scholarship Committee Volunteer

At the recommendation of Chairperson McPhee, Trustee Ayling was appointed to the Scholarship Committee.

2.2 Sparwood Rafting Trip

Superintendent Johnson advised that Principal Kelly would update The Board as the anticipated event date gets closer. The rafting trip is tentatively approved, pending the conditions at the time leading up to the event. Trustee Turner is in opposition to allowing the trip to proceed.

3. PRESENTATIONS – NIL

4. REPORTS

4.1 DSAC Report

Trustee Bellina reported that the next DSAC meeting will be May 17, 2023, at the KLC.

4.2 DPAC Report

Trustee Turner reported:

- DPAC sent out reminders for the childcare survey.
- Annual BCCPAC meeting will be held May 6-7, 2023. DPAC has one parent volunteer and is looking for a second to attend.
- DPAC hosted parent information sessions presented by Scott Rothermel.

4.3 Framework for Enhancing Student Learning (FESL)

Superintendent Johnson reported that The District would host the first community engagement night at Mount Baker Senior Secondary on April 26, 2023. A second engagement night will be in Jaffray on April 27, 2023. Surveys were sent out last week to get feedback from our stakeholders to be considered in the future action plans of the Framework.

4.4 Childcare

Superintendent Johnson reported on the need for childcare in all communities. Director Casault is compiling the results of the childcare survey. The District has applied for grant funding for a coordinator position to oversee third-party provider relationships, staffing and licensing. The Board would like to investigate the possibility of having the before and after-school childcare employment fall under the CUPE collective agreement. CUPE 4165 President Krista Napl volunteered to research and present to Finance-Operations Committee on Comox District No. 71, which has been running as a pilot district.

4.5 Trustee Professional Development

The Board reviewed Trustee Ayling's notes and considerations from the High Ground Conference.

4.5.1 Recommendation for Childcare

Recommendation A:

Moved/Seconded by: Bellina/Turner

THAT The Board advocate for the government to recognize daycares as early learning centres.

4.6 Early Learning Conference

Trustee Ayling provided her notes from the Early Learning Conference.

5. NEW BUSINESS

5.1 Pinewood PAC Letter

Trustee Ayling presented a letter from the Pinewood PAC expressing concerns with the area around the Knights Hall.

Recommendation B:

Moved/Seconded by: Bellina/Turner

THAT The Board write a letter to engage with the city about the concerns with the area around the Knights Hall.

6. ACTION ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

6.1 Meetings with the municipalities

7. CORRESPONDENCE

7.1 Child Care

7.1.1 Minister Lore to BCSTA

Receive and File

7.2 Student Affordability Fund

7.2.1 BCSTA to Minister Singh

Receive and File

7.3 Additional Funding Request

7.3.1 BCSTA to Minister Singh/Conroy

Receive and File

7.4 Transit for Teens Campaign

7.4.1 SD47 to Ministries

Receive and File

7.5 KBB Requests

7.5.1 BCSTA to KBB

Receive and File

8. ADJOURNMENT

Moved/Seconded by: Bellina/Turner

THAT the April 25, 2023, Advocacy Education Committee meeting be adjourned at 10:19 a.m.

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