

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

April 27, 2015, 9:00 a.m. Board Office

Committee Members

S Co-Chair Trustee Brown (Chair)

In Attendance:

Trustee Ayling Trustee McPhee Trustee Helgesen

Board/District Staff in

Attendance:

Trustee Bellina Trustee Blumhagen

Trustee Johns Chairperson Lento Trustee McPhee

Lynn Hauptman, Superintendent

Jason Tichauer, Director of Student Learning/Abor. Educ. Diane Casault, Director of Student Learning/Innovation

Darcy Verbeurgt, District Principal

Gail Rousseau, Executive Assistant (Recorder)

1. COMMENCEMENT OF MEETING

1.1. Call to Order

The Policy Committee meeting of April 27, 2015 was called to order at 10:34 a.m. by Co-Chair Brown.

1.2. Approval of the Agenda

POL-2015-05

M/S that the agenda for the Policy Committee meeting of April 27, 2015 be approved as circulated.

1.3. Approval of the Minutes

POL-2015-06

M/S that the minutes of the Policy Committee meeting of February 23, 2015 be approved as circulated.

2. POLICIES PASSED BY THE BOARD SINCE LAST MEETING

nil

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

3.1. Revised Draft Policy and Regulations – Social Media Use

Comments/Suggestions/Changes:

- This policy speaks more to teaching staff and needs to speak to all staff including the Board and CUPE and parents
- Superintendent's letter regarding Social Media is on the website; add this letter as a reference to this policy
- Say "all employees as well as Trustees" throughout policy
- In the Regulations 3.1 General Code of Conduct third sentence may need stronger language than "this may require"
- Change to "It is expected that employees take reasonable steps"
- A discussion on item 3.3 took place employees are expected to be role models in our profession; we are held at higher standard
- BCSTA has looked at this policy for the province; we take information from other policies that have already been vetted by our legal counsel

This draft policy, with corrections, will now be sent to partner groups.

3.2 Draft Policy – Sponsorship and/or Partnership

Still in progress.

4. CORRESPONDENCE AND/OR NEW ITEMS

4.1. Draft Policy 7.1

- Last sentence page 10 add 'and regulations" before governing
- Last sentence of first paragraph add "and regulations"

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4.2 Draft Policy 7.1Ra

- add "all employees including Trustees" throughout 7.1a
- item 4. and last paragraph on page 10 in Policy 7.1 is a contradiction put "Non-work related use of " at the beginning of that sentence
- Item 6. "services can be monitored" etc. this statement needs to be clarified substantially; after the word services add "including but not limited to email, webpages, Facebook, etc."
- discussion on Section 7.1 page 10 midway the word trustee shows up; concerned about number 6 in 7.1a and signing our name - who is going to police this? It would be the technology department; flags of inappropriate site use go to the Technology Department i.e., streaming of movies from illegal sites

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4.3 Draft Policy 7.1Rb

- Items 3 and 4 talk about the same thing combine them into one and use examples
- take out the word "professional" and put in "educational"
- Add the word "bullying" in number 4

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4.4 Student Use Agreement

- Previous agreement used to say internet agreement and now says Information and Communication Technology and Technology Services and that students have access to WIFI and student materials
- Policy 7.1 and Regulations will be included when students gets internet consent form – this is geared towards our parents
- Our original policy was 7.1; 7.2 was employee and 7.3 was student acceptable use
- should be included in student handbooks
- should be an online component of this when students log on to computer
- suggestion to add a rider for middle/high school students

5. INFORMATION ITEMS

Recommendation A – M/S that the Board approve the removal of Policy 7.2 and 7.3.

6. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:38 a.m.