



**The Board of Education of
School District No.5 (Southeast Kootenay)
MINUTES - STUDENT SERVICES MEETING**

**April 28, 2014, 11:00 a.m.
Board Office**

Committee Members
in Attendance: Co-Chair Trustee Johns
Trustee Ayling
Trustee Whalen

Regrets: Co-Chair Trustee Besanger

Board/District Staff in
Attendance: Trustee Bellina
Trustee Brown
Chairperson Lento
L. Hauptman, Superintendent of Schools
D. Casault, Director of Student Learning
D. Verbeurgt, District Principal/Student Services
J. Paetz, Executive Assistant (Recorder)

1. COMMENCEMENT OF MEETING

1.1. Call to Order

The Student Services Meeting of April 28, 2014 was called to order at 11:15 a.m. by Co-Chair Johns.

**1.2. Approval of the Agenda
SS-2014-07**

M/S that the agenda for the Student Services Meeting of April 28, 2014 be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

**1.3. Approval of the Minutes
SS-2014-08**

M/S that the minutes of the Student Services meeting of April 1, 2014 be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

2. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

2.1. Presentation - Janice Reid (Autism)

Ms. Reid is the Coordinator of the EK Behaviour Intervention Program (sponsored by Community Connections Society of Southeast BC), which is

housed within the EK Supported Child Development Centre.

She gave a brief outline on some of the resources that are available at the newly created Autism Resource Library (small portion of the full Child Development Centre Resource Library). Resources include general parent information, pre and post diagnosis, curriculum, some furniture, and specialized equipment (schools can also access these resources). Resources are not all evidence based (requires studies), but vetted by professionals/parents as to what works well.

Best Practices handout (from Ministry of Children and Family Development)

EK Behaviour Intervention Program:

Incredible Flexible You – new social skills program (amazing feedback)

Trustees Brown and Whalen congratulated Ms. Reid on the completion of her Masters. She is working towards a Board Certification as a Behaviour Analyst (consultant). She will be able to train others in the area of Applied Behaviour Analysis.

Simone Bourassa is Ms. Reid's counterpart in the Elk Valley.

Co-Chair Johns thanked Ms. Reid for her presentation.

3. CORRESPONDENCE AND/OR NEW ITEMS

3.1. Cross-Agency Cooperation Update

- Mr. Verbeurgt provided a list of items that we are currently working on to-date
- add Child Development Centre to list
- will provide updates on projects and relationships under Information Items on future agendas
- districts and agencies are working better together
- Mr. Verbeurgt will contact the city to see if there is any need for cross consultation between the district and city (i.e. curb access, wheel chair accessibility, etc.).

4. INFORMATION ITEMS

4.1. News from BC CASE Meetings

Mr. Verbeurgt advised that nothing was presented as far as increase in funding or change in the funding model. Some districts are starting to look at different models on their own (Nelson & Revelstoke).

4.2. Additional Items

Trustee Johns asked for a progress report on the feedback from the Student Service Teachers' moral survey and working with CFTA to resolve the issues. This will be handled through Summit meetings, however due to other

priorities; it has not been on the agenda thus far.

Chairperson Lento inquired about the Future Directions for Support Services document by Bill Standeven. The Ministry of Education has not moved forward due to lack of funding in their division. There has been change in the funding formula which is a big part of moving forward. We haven't made wholesale changes to our funding formula, but minor changes are allocating funds better.

Trustee Brown requested a presentation by the TREKK OT and PT staff on their caseloads. Trustee Brown will forward the names of the OT/PT to Mr. Verbeurgt. The presentation will be scheduled for the May meeting. Mr. Verbeurgt advised there was a blurring between school district funding and MCFD funding to TREKK and he is trying to sort out consultation vs. direct service priorities.

5. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:55 a.m.