



The Board of Education of School District No.5 (Southeast Kootenay)
MINUTES - Policy Committee Meeting
April 29, 2013
Board Office
10:00 a.m.

Committee Members in Attendance

Co-Chair Trustee Brown
Trustee Besanger
Trustee Ayling

Committee Members - Regrets

Co-Chair Trustee Damstrom

Board/District Staff in Attendance

Trustee Bellina
Trustee Johns
Trustee Lento
Trustee Whalen
Bendina Miller, Superintendent of Schools
Rob Norum, Secretary Treasurer
Doug McPhee, Director of Instruction/Safety Officer
Diane Casault, Director of Instruction/Student Learning (by phone)
Janice Paetz, Executive Assistant (Recorder)

1. COMMENCEMENT OF MEETING

1.1. Call to Order

The Policy Committee meeting of April 29, 2013 was called to order at 10:36 a.m. by Co-Chair Trustee Brown.

1.2. Approval of the Agenda

POL 2013-005

"M/S that the agenda for the Policy Committee meeting of April 29, 2013 be approved as circulated."

CARRIED

1.3. Approval of Minutes

POL - 2013-006

"M/S that the minutes of the Policy Committee meeting of March 26, 2013 be approved as circulated."

CARRIED

2. POLICIES DELETED BY THE BOARD SINCE LAST MEETING

Policy 3.14 Fernie Alternate School

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

**3.1. Draft Policy School Board Operations
Revised Policy 1.2 Procedural By-Law
Trustee Election By-Law**

Mr. Norum's revisions included:

- information pertaining to the Roles of the Chair Person and Presiding Officers and Role of the Trustee was pulled from the Draft School Board Operation Policy and added to Policy 1.2 Procedural By-Law
- added Special Education Student Services Committee
- Trustee Election By-Law (approved June 2011) will be added to the Policy Manual

Mr. Norum and the sub-committee will review the changes to ensure everything from the School Board Operation policy has been accounted for in the Procedural By-Law. The revised policy will be brought back to the May meeting.

3.2. Revised Policy 3.35 Sexual Orientation/Gender Identity

- partner group feedback was reviewed
- District Management made minor changes to the policy as a result of a meeting with Mrs. Balfour, CFTA Co-Chair, and Mr. Earl Waugh
- the policy is a living document and will be updated as new information, terminology, and training arises
- Mr. Waugh will be meeting with school counsellors in June and with all school staffs during the 2013/2014 school year

Recommendation A

"That the revised Policy 3.35 Sexual Orientation/Gender Identity be sent to the Board of Education for approval."

3.3. Revised Policy 3.12 Video Surveillance

Discussion included:

- partner group feedback
- Who monitors the video? (depends on the system, could be the Principal or the District's Electrical/Security/Fire Alarms Journeyman
- School Planning Councils being consulted prior to video surveillance equipment being installed

School Act – Part 6, Division 2, 74.01 states:

"A board may install and operate a video surveillance camera in a school facility or on school land with the prior approval of the school planning council for the school where the board proposes to install and operate a video surveillance camera."

- a reference to this section of the School Act will be added to the policy

Recommendation B

"That the revised Policy 3.12 Video Surveillance be sent to the Board of Education for approval as amended."

4. CORRESPONDENCE AND/OR NEW ITEMS

Nil

5. INFORMATION ITEMS

Nil

6. LATE ITEMS

Nil

7. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m.