



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

MINUTES - FINANCE/OPERATIONS/PERSONNEL COMMITTEE (PUBLIC)

**February 22, 2022, 12:30 p.m.
Virtual Meeting as per SA and Board Procedures By-law**

Committee Members in Attendance: Co-Chair Trustee Chris Johns
Co-Chair Trustee Kathryn Kitt
Trustee Bev Bellina
Trustee Krista Damstrom

Regrets: Trustee Trina Ayling
Trustee Wendy Turner

Board/District Staff in Attendance: Chairperson Frank Lento
Trustee Doug McPhee
Trustee Patricia Whalen
Superintendent Silke Yardley
Secretary Treasurer Nick Taylor
Director of Instruction and Human Resources Brent Reimer
Director of Student Learning and Innovation Diane Casault
Director of Student Learning and Aboriginal Education Jason Tichauer
District Principal of Student Services Darcy Verbeurgt
Executive Assistant, (recorder) Sandy Gronlund
Executive Assistant, Jane Nixon

1. COMMENCEMENT OF MEETING

1.1 Call to Order

The public Finance/Operations/Personnel Committee meeting of February 22, 2022 was called to order at 12:10 p.m. by Co-Chair Trustee Johns.

1.2 Approval of the Agenda

Moved/Seconded by Bellina/Kitt:

THAT the agenda of the public Finance/Operations/Personnel Committee meeting of February 22, 2022 be approved as circulated.

1.3 Approval of the Minutes

Approval of the minutes from January 24, 2022.

Moved/Seconded by Bellina/Kitt:

THAT the minutes of the public Finance/Operations/Personnel Committee meeting of January 24, 2022 be approved as circulated.

2. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Nil.

3. PRESENTATIONS

Nil.

4. REPORTS

4.1 Secretary Treasurer

4.1.1 Health and Safety

4.1.1.1 COVID-19 Update

The Addendum – Provincial COVID-19 Communicable Disease Guidelines for K-12 Settings was rescinded Friday, February 18th.

Clarification was provided:

- School gatherings and events that include students and staff from the same school will not have a specific capacity limit.
- School extracurricular, social gatherings and events that include spectators other than staff, students, and necessary volunteers or that occur between schools may not exceed 50 people or 50% of the indoor capacity posted on the outside of each room.
- No proof of vaccinations will be required, and visitors are now welcome in the schools.

Our first delivery of COVID-19 rapid tests was received and delivered to the staff. We are now receiving rapid tests at the schools for students. Each student will receive one box which contains 5 rapid tests.

New guidelines are not expected before Spring Break. Masks and health recommendations remain in place.

Superintendent Yardley reported that the district management team will be meeting tomorrow to discuss in person meetings. Masks will need to still be worn.

We are waiting for further information on graduation ceremonies.

4.1.2 2021-22 Budget Update

The Board passed three readings for the 2021-22 Amended Annual Budget at a special public Board meeting on February 17, 2022 after an in depth review was provided.

No requests were received from the public or partners asking to present input to the 2022-23 Annual Budget at this meeting. The Cranbrook/Fernie Teachers Association (CFTA) will provide input to the budget at the March 8, 2022 Board meeting.

4.2 Superintendent

The district management team will put together a budget presentation to support the Framework for Enhancing Student Learning and the Superintendent will present it to the Board.

5. NEW BUSINESS

Nil.

6. ACTION ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

6.1 Staff Travel Summary Report Review

7. CORRESPONDENCE

7.1 Finance Report

Secretary Treasurer Taylor provided a brief review of the variances shown on the finance report attached to the agenda for information. Custodial costs are continuing to be high due to COVID-19. The budget is on track for this time of year.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Moved/Seconded by Kitt/Bellina:

THAT the public Finance/Operations/Personnel Committee meeting of February 22, 2022 adjourned at 12:27 p.m.

What services and resources did we provide to which students at what cost and resulting in what benefits?