



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

**January 29, 2018, 11:30 a.m.
Board Office**

**Committee Members
In Attendance:** **Co-Chair Trustee Brown (Chair)
Co-Chair Trustee Ayling
Trustee Helgesen
Trustee McPhee**

Regrets:

**Board/District Staff in
Attendance:** **Trustee Bellina (by phone)
Trustee Blumhagen
Trustee Johns
Chairperson Lento
Lynn Hauptman, Superintendent
Rob Norum, Secretary Treasurer
Diane Casault, Director of Student Learning and Innovation
Jason Tichauer, Director of Student Learning/Aboriginal Educ.
Brent Reimer, Director of Instruction - Human Resources
Darcy Verbeurgt, District Principal - Student Services
Jennifer Roberts, District Principal of Transformative Learning
Janice Paetz, Executive Assistant (Recorder)**

1. COMMENCEMENT OF MEETING

1.1. Call to Order

The Policy Committee meeting of January 29, 2018 was called to order at 11:47 p.m. by Co-Chair Brown. This meeting is being held on the traditional lands of the Ktunaxa people.

1.2. Approval of the Agenda

POL-2018-01

M/S that the agenda for the Policy Committee meeting of January 29, 2018 be approved.

Addition: 4.1 School Sports Policies and Guidelines

1.3. Approval of the Minutes

POL-2018-02

M/S that the minutes of the Policy Committee meeting of November 27, 2017 be approved as circulated.

2. POLICIES APPROVED BY THE BOARD SINCE LAST MEETING

Nil

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

3.1 Revised Policy 4.2 Travel Allowance Per Diem

Feedback from partner groups was reviewed.

Discussion included:

- appreciate seeing an increase in rates as a result of inflation
- may want to review the dated terminology in terms of payment
- potential to review the use of the CRA rate in determining mileage rather than having to approve slight increases as a result of fuel price increases
- concerns expressed about travel outside of Canada requiring Board approval
- concerns expressed about not allowing personal travel to be connected with business travel
- fuel is only part of the costs associated with using your personal vehicle (i.e. only forms part of the \$.53 rate)
- How often is the mileage rate reviewed? What is reasonable?
- damage to vehicles currently set at a maximum \$50 (teachers have \$600 written in to their Collective Agreement)
- It was decided that a working group would be formed at the in-camera meeting to discuss this revised policy and the other draft travel policy currently under review.

4. CORRESPONDENCE AND/OR NEW ITEMS

4.1 School Sports Policies and Guidelines

Trustee Blumhagen asked what policies and guidelines are currently in place for school sports. Discussion included:

- BC School Sport does covers travelling out of BC to compete (cross border zones)
- should be fair to all students/families
- there are multiple layers of regulations/guidelines from the provincial level down to the District and school level
- Mr. Tichauer is willing to be involved in an ad-hoc committee to review
- Section 5 in the Policy Manual has our curricular and extra-curricular policies, as well as an Orientation Manual for volunteers
- student contracts are becoming more common on sports teams.

5. INFORMATION ITEMS

Nil

6. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 12:07 p.m.