



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

**May 13, 2014, 5:00 p.m.
Elkford Secondary School**

Present: Chairperson Lento
Trustee Ayling
Trustee Bellina
Trustee Besanger (by telephone)
Trustee Brown
Trustee Damstrom
Trustee Helgesen
Trustee Johns
Trustee Whalen,
Superintendent of Schools, L. Hauptman
Secretary Treasurer, R. Norum
Director of Instruction/Human Resources B. Reimer
Director of Student Learning and Aboriginal Education, J. Tichauer
Recorder, Corinne Burns

Regrets: Director of Instruction/Student Learning, D. Casault
District Principal/Student Services, D. Verbeurgt

1. COMMENCEMENT OF MEETING

1.6. Receiving of Delegations/Presentations

1.1. Call to Order

Chairperson Lento called the May 13, 2014 regular public meeting of the Board of Education to order at 5:08 p.m.
Chairperson Lento officially welcomed Jason Tichauer to the position of Director of Student Learning and Aboriginal Education.
Congratulations to Jodi Stemburger, 3rd place finish at the CPF Concours d'art oratoire and Leah Heavey Provincial finalist.
Long Service awards were presented to Trustees

- Shaun Damstrom - 9 years
- Frank Lento, Chris Johns and Trina Ayling - 6 years

1.2. Consideration and Approval of Agenda

MOTION R- 76

M/S that the agenda for the regular public meeting of the Board of Education of May 13, 2014 be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

1.3. Approval of the Minutes

Minutes of the Public meeting of the Board of Education of April 8, 2014.

MOTION R- 77

M/S that the minutes of the regular public meeting of the Board of Education of April 8, 2014 be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

1.4. Receipt of Records of Closed Meetings

MOTION R- 78

M/S to accept the closed records of the in-camera meeting of the Board of Education of April 8, 2014.

CARRIED

1.5. Business Arising from Previous Minutes

1.5.1. Budget Bylaw

MOTION R- 79

M/S that the Board of Education read a second time the Annual Budget Bylaw in the amount of \$52,297,605 on the 13th day of May, 2014.

CARRIED

MOTION R- 80

M/S that the Board of Education read a third time, passed and adopted, the Annual Budget Bylaw in the amount of \$52,297,605 on the 13th day of May 2014.

CARRIED

1.6. Receiving of Delegations/Presentations

1.6.3. Elkford Secondary School Student Voice, Student Council and DSAC

Elkford Secondary Students from Student Voice, Student Council and DSAC presented to the Board an overview of what they have been doing this year. Some highlights were:

- School Sprit Week
- Valentines Week
- A school video contest promoting ESS.
- Mentoring program for transition, grade 7's.
- Fundraisers: Philippines, Rockarama, Terry Fox, Food Bank and Relay For Life.
- DSCA students attended a Blue Lake leadership camp, brought back great ideas.

Students expressed concerns about their school:

- Heating
- Computers
- Courses not available due to low student population.
- Teachers teaching courses without subject experience.

1.6.1. Sparwood Secondary's Innovation Project Presentation

Superintendent Hauptman introduced Michael Kelly, Vice Principal, Sparwood Secondary. Mr. Kelly explained to the Board how the grant for Growing Innovations was being implemented:

- Sparwood Secondary received \$5000.
- Involves James Lund, grade 7 English/Socials teacher and Teck Coal in a partnership with Ministry of Education and UBC.
- Funds rural school projects that initiate student outcomes, engagement, local priorities.
- Curious individuals are unafraid to dream new dreams.
- Promotes active learning which can increase student motivation.
- Students monitor projects, making changes as necessary.
- Project is presented to others to spark excitement showing the potential for school and community partnership.

1.6.2. Kates Noakes, FDTA President

Kate Noakes spoke of teacher job action and thanked the Board for reconsidering the Recess decision.

Chairperson Lento thanked Ms. Noakes for the presentation.

2. COMMITTEE REPORTS/TRUSTEE REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

2.3. Finance/Operations/Personnel Committee

Co-chair Trustee Johns reviewed the minutes of the April 28, 2014 meeting of the Finance/Operations/Personnel Committee.

MOTION R- 81

M/S that the Board accept the report of the Finance/Operations/Personnel Committee.

CARRIED

2.1. Advocacy/Education Committee

Co-chair Trustee Bellina reviewed the minutes of the April 28, 2014 meeting of the Advocacy/Education Committee.

MOTION R- 82

M/S that the Board accept the report of the Advocacy/Education Committee.

CARRIED

MOTION R- 83

M/S that the Board write to Prime Minister Harper urging his government to renegotiate a new Health Care Accord and to maintain or increase existing funding to the provinces/territories and that this letter be copied to all federal Shadow Cabinet Ministers, our local MP, the Premier, Health and Education Ministers of BC, our local MLA, presidents of the BC School Trustees' Association (BCSTA), BC Teachers' Federation (BCTF), Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE), BC Confederation of Parent Advisory Councils (BCCPAC)(for distribution to their members), their local association chairs/presidents and to media.

CARRIED

MOTION R- 84

M/S that the Board give tentative approval for the Field Trip Application for MBSS to go to either Spain/Morocco or Turkey and Greece for spring break, 2015.

CARRIED

2.2. Policy Committee

Co-chair Trustee Brown reviewed the minutes of the April 28, 2014 meeting of the Policy Committee.

MOTION R- 85

M/S that the Board accept the report of the Policy Committee.

CARRIED

MOTION R- 86

M/S that the revised Policy 1.2 Procedural Bylaw be approved by the Board of Education.

CARRIED

MOTION R- 87

M/S that the revised Policy 3.1 Student Registration, Enrolment and Placement be approved by the Board of Education.

CARRIED

MOTION R- 88

M/S that the revised Policy 3.2 Creating Safe Schools be approved by the Board of Education.

CARRIED

MOTION R- 89

M/s that the Draft Policy Workplace Bullying and Harassment be approved by the Board of Education.

CARRIED

2.4. Student Services Committee

Co-chair Trustee Johns reviewed the minutes of the April 28, 2014 meeting of the Student Services Committee.

MOTION R- 90

M/S that the Board accept the report of the Student Services Committee.

CARRIED

2.5. Communications/Media Committee

Trustee Ayling reported that in addition to her attached report, the announcement of the New Mount Baker principal was also published in the Cranbrook Daily Townsman and the Kootenay Advertiser. The letter to Minister Fassbender regarding Community LINK funding was not distributed. It was moved back to the Advocacy committee.

MOTION R- 91

M/S to accept the report of the Communications/Media Committee.

CARRIED

2.6. Mt. Baker Secondary School Building Replacement Committee

Trustee Johns met with Mayor Stetski and CAO Wayne Staudt from the City of Cranbrook to explore initiatives around the RDEK grant to help facilitate modeling a new Key City Theatre. Mount Baker administration and Mr. Knipe met to discuss ways to design a prototype that they could take to the community. They have involved a local company to see if they can assist in the drafting of a model building.

MOTION R- 92

M/S to accept the report of the Mt. Baker Secondary School Building Replacement Committee.

2.7. Legacy of Learning

Trustee Johns has acquired items from Jaffray. He met with the Women's Triangle group from Grasmere and obtained items and information from the late 1800s. He will be reporting to the DPAC, May 14, 2014, an update as to where they are with the project. A second display of photos has been put up in Board Room 2.

MOTION R- 93

M/S to accept the Legacy of Learning report.

CARRIED

2.8. Trustee Reports

Trustees reported on their activities for the month:

- Trustee Damstrom attended the Kikomun Run.
- Trustee Brown commented that Music Monday was fantastic.
- Trustee Whalen attended meetings with Safe Communities and they are moving ahead with the suicide protocol process.
- Trustee Ayling mentioned that the College of the Rockies would like to host a Board Meeting.

3. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT TO THE BOARD

Superintendent Hauptman's report of May 13, 2014 included:

Superintendent's Activities

- Minister Fassbenders tour

- College of the Rockies/Transitions

- Music Monday

- Conferences - Changing Results for Young Readers and BCSTA AGM

Update from Secretary Treasurer

Update from Director of Instruction/Student Learning

Update from Director of Instruction/Safety/Aboriginal Education

Update from District Principal/Student Services

Update from Director of Instruction/Human Resources

Important Dates for Trustees

Enrolment Report

Superintendent Hauptman reported that she had also attended the Mount Baker drama production Urine Town. It was fantastic!

Discussion included:

- Mr. Norum is in the process of filling the position of Assistant Manager of Operations in Fernie. No dates for CUPE Bargaining. Preparing for audit the first week of August.
- Ms. Casualt reported that there was the opportunity to have all our strong start facilitators together for a regional meeting. Ms. Casualt is currently in Vancouver with My Education training.
- Mr. Verbuergt is in Windsor, Ontario with students attending the Canada-Wide Science fair.
- Mr Reimer will be starting the staffing process for next year. Continues to advertise and interview for TTOC positions and custodians.
- Mr. Tichauer shared the Ministry's announcement regarding the increase of ACE-IT seats to 5000, with the possibility of expanding into the Elk Valley. The

Aboriginal Education agreement program is ongoing with the evaluation of data from this year.

- Trustee Johns asked for a copy of the BC First Peoples Principles of Learning.
- School District No. 5 website, positive feedback.

MOTION R- 94

M/S that the May 13, 2014 Superintendent's Report to the Board of Education be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

4. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Chairperson Lento reported verbally that he is working closely with everyone to ensure continued success this year.

5. NEW BUSINESS

5.1. Business Arising from Delegations

Chairperson Lento recommended that we respond to the Elkford Secondary School Presentation in regards to the following:

- Computers/Internet service is slow.
- Heat does not seem to work evenly throughout the school.
- Teachers teaching courses without subject experience.
- Courses not offered because of low student demand.

5.2. Board Authorized Local Courses

Mr. Tichauer reported that these courses need to be approved to ensure proper credits.

MOTION R- 95

M/S that the Board of Education approve the following courses to ensure full compliance with the Independent School Act and the BC Ministry of Education requirements: Robotics 11, Robotics 12, Astronomy (YPLS – 1A), Yearbook 10, Yearbook 11, and Yearbook 12.

CARRIED

5.3. New Skills and Trades

Mr. Tichauer is communicating with the COTR about the new provincial mandate regarding ACE-IT:

- Higher number of students into the program.
- The Provincial government to implement programs to encourage businesses to hire apprenticeships.
- Perhaps there will be more opportunities for students from the Elk Valley to complete the program in their home communities.

5.4. Amended Calendar

There was a change in the Provincial Exams schedule; our calendar must be adjusted to reflect this change.

MOTION R- 96

M/S that the notice of the amended School District No. 5 calendar be accepted by the Board of Education.

CARRIED

5.5. Election Bylaw

Mr. Norum reported on the election bylaw

- Minimal changes
- It now states that the voting machines may be used.
- Each jurisdiction will look after the Trustee Elections.

MOTION R- 97

M/S to allow three readings of the Election Bylaw.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION R- 98

M/S read a first time the 13th day of May, 2014.

CARRIED

MOTION R- 99

M/S read a second time the 13th day of May, 2014.

CARRIED

MOTION R- 100

M/S read a third time, passed and adopted, the 13th day of May, 2014.

CARRIED

6. TRUSTEE BOUQUETS

- Trustee Damstrom - Thanked senior staff for working hard throughout these tough times. Thank you to all the students that participated in the Kikomun run.
- Trustee Bellina thanked the Elkford Students for getting up in front of the board and making their presentation. Congratulations to Jaffray at the Kikomun run.
- Trustee Helgesen - Thanked the PAC ladies for attending the meeting, he appreciates the work that they do. Thanked Rocky Mountain Elementary School for another successful Rockarama.
- All Trustees thanked Elkford Secondary School for the great meal.

7. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION/CORRESPONDENCE

8. QUESTION PERIOD

Elkford Secondary School PAC Chair asked if the Board could keep in mind that not only do communities need skilled trades people, they need other professions as well. There is concern that School District No. 5 will promote trades to the Elk Valley students and not showcase a variety of professions.

9. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION R- 101

M/S that the May 13, 2014 regular public meeting of the Board of Education adjourn at 7:12 pm.

CARRIED

Frank Lento, Chairperson

Rob Norum, Secretary Treasurer