



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

**May 29, 2023, 11:00 a.m.  
Cranbrook Board Office**

Committee Members In Attendance: Co-Chair Trustee Trina Ayling  
Trustee Chris Johns  
Trustee Alysha Clarke

Regrets: Co-Chair Trustee Sarah Madsen

Board/District Staff In Attendance: Chairperson Doug McPhee  
Trustee Bev Bellina (virtually)  
Trustee Irene Bischler  
Trustee Nicole Heckendorf  
Superintendent Viveka Johnson  
Secretary Treasurer Nick Taylor  
Director of Student Learning and Innovation Diane Casault  
District Principal of Student Services Darcy Verbeurgt  
District Vice Principal of Human Resources and Health and Safety Jaslene Atwal  
Executive Assistant Amanda Skene (recorder)

**1. COMMENCEMENT OF MEETING**

**1.1 Call to Order**

Trustee Clarke called the Student Services Committee meeting of May 29, 2023, to order at 11:00 a.m.

**1.2 Approval of the Agenda**

Moved/Seconded by Ayling/Johns:

THAT the agenda for the Student Services Committee meeting of May 29, 2023, be approved as circulated.

### **1.3 Approval of the Minutes**

Moved/Seconded by Johns/Ayling:

THAT the minutes of the Student Services Committee meeting of April 25, 2023, be approved as circulated.

## **2. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

### **2.1 MANDT End User Survey Results**

District Principal Verbeurgt presented the results from the MANDT End User survey. There were 73 respondents from a variety of support occupations in the district. The survey results concluded that staff felt the Mandt program was not engaging and ineffective in changing behavioural responses.

Discussion included:

- Classes in Remedy
- Inclusive Education
- Compassionate Systems Leadership
- Prevention
- Development
- Formation of a committee

### **RECOMMENDATION A**

Moved/Seconded by Johns/Ayling:

THAT District Management develops replacement options for Mandt training that will provide teachers, staff and administration with knowledge and skills to create safe and supportive environments for all students with behavioural challenges.

## **3. PRESENTATIONS – NIL**

## **4. REPORTS – NIL**

## **5. NEW BUSINESS**

### **5.1 Inclusive Education Policy Guide**

District Principal Verbeurgt gave a brief overview of the Inclusive Education Policy Guide. He reviewed the need to bring updates to the current IEP Guide (March 2021) and how to apply them to School District No. 5 (Southeast Kootenay).

3-part process:

1. Inclusive Education Policy (Ministry of Education and Child Care), which is on hold at the legislature.

2. Inclusive Education Policy Guide (March 2021). There is pressure from the BCSTA for the Ministry of Education and Child Care to finalize and release the documents.
3. Inclusive Education Funding: with new policies, there are often changes in funding; however, currently, no new funding information has been released.

**6. ACTION ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS – NIL**

**7. CORRESPONDENCE - NIL**

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

Moved/Seconded by Johns/Ayling:

THAT the May 29, 2023, Student Services Committee meeting be adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

*Have we effectively addressed the needs of our most vulnerable students and their families?*