

**The Board of Education of**

**School District No.5 (Southeast Kootenay)**

**MINUTES - ADVOCACY/EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING**

**April 29, 2019 9:30 a.m.**

**Board Office**

Committee Members Trustee Whalen

In Attendance: Trustee Turner

Regrets: Trustee Bellina

Trustee Ayling

Board/District Staff in Trustee McPhee

Attendance: Trustee Johns

Trustee Damstrom

Trustee Kitt

Trustee Lento

Lynn Hauptman, Superintendent Jason Tichauer, Director, Student Learning

Diane Casault, Director, Student Learning

Darcy Verbeurgt, District Principal

Jennifer Roberts, District Principal

Gail Rousseau, Executive Assistant (Recorder)

# **1. COMMENCEMENT OF MEETING**

## I want to acknowledge that we have gathered here in the Homelands of the Ktunaxa people.

## **1.1 Call to Order**

The Advocacy/Education Committee Meeting of April 29, 2019 was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Co-Chair Whalen.

## **1.2 Approval of Agenda**

Additions: nil

M/S that the agenda of the Advocacy/Education Committee meeting of April 29, 2019 is approved as circulated.

## **1.3 Approval of Minutes**

M/S that the minutes of the Advocacy/Education Committee meeting of February 25, 2019 be approved as circulated.

**2. PRESENTATIONS**

**2.1 Ryan McKenzie and Kim Froehler – Technology Update**

Ryan and Kim (District Helping Teachers) gave an update on all the wonderful things happening this year in our district in Technology. They are trying to focus on the Core Competencies and make meaningful connections to the new curriculum. Some examples include:

* Working with spheros
* exploring virtual/augmented reality
* working on projects in the Design Lab with Lego Wedo kits
* integrating 3-D design, printing and Tinkercad (3D modelling program) in the middle and senior grades
* Using microbits and coding to build robots
* digital citizenship resources have been created for teachers and for teachers to use with students
* numerous resources have been uploaded to the portal in the area of digital citizenship

Superintendent Hauptman thanked them for their presentation and for applying for the Growing Innovation Grant. Technology is being presented in a variety of creative ways in schools. A question was asked about any concerns of students having too much screen time? The Helping Teachers have not heard this from parents or from PACs. Students are still very much interested in learning all the new technology. Jennifer Roberts will send a couple of dates to the Trustees to tour the Design Lab in Cranbrook.

**3. ITEMS FORWARDED FROM PREVIOUS MEETING – nil**

**3.1 2020/2021 Calendar – Summary of Comments**

One additional comment was received by Shelley Balfour, CDTA, the PSA Day has been changed to October 23, 2021. This will be changed in the draft calendar.

***Recommendation A – M/S that the Board approve the 2020/2021 draft calendar incorporating the change of the PSA day.***

**4. CORRESPONDENCE AND/OR NEW ITEMS**

**4.1 DSAC Report**

The next meeting and final meeting of the 2018/2019 year will be on June 7, 2019. Location to be decided.

**4.2 DPAC Report**

Trustee Turner was unable to attend the last DPAC meeting but had the following report:

* + DPAC working very hard to get all the Proxy Forms in for Provincial meeting coming up
  + A social evening was held to try and promote more participation from other schools to attend DPAC meetings

**4.3 “Screenagers” Coming to the Key City Theatre – FYI Only**

DPAC and SD5 are sponsoring “Screenagers” on May 13, 2019 at the Key City Theatre. This was shown in Kimberley at the beginning of the school year and was well received by parents. Please promote in your schools; it is on the website and has been sent to all Principals/Vice-Principals and community partners.

# **5. BCSTA LETTERS**

## **5.1 Funding Model Review**

**5.1.1** **SD42**

**5.1.2 SD78**

**5.1.3 SD81**

**5.1.4 SD53**

**5.1.5 SD45**

**5.1.6 SD62**

**5.1.7 SD68**

**5.1.8 SD51**

**5.1.9 SD48**

**5.1.10 SD37**

**5.1.11 VSB**

**5.1.12 SD79**

**5.1.13 BCSTA to MOE**

**5.1.14 SD71**

**5.1.15 SD72**

**5.1.16 SD43**

**5.1.17 SD43**

**5.1.18 SD71**

**5.1.19 SD78**

All the above letters on the Funding Model Review will be discussed at the Finance/Operations Committee meeting today.

**5.2 Mental Heath**

**5.2.1** BCPVPA

Receive and file.

**5.3 Playgrounds**

**5.3.1 SD28**

Receive and file.

**5.3.2 SD28**

A discussion took place. Superintendent Hauptman will discuss this letter with the Secretary Treasurerand Trustee Turner will discuss this letter at the next DPAC meeting**.**

Receive and file.

**5.4 Shortage of Technical Education Teachers**

**5.4.1 SD37**

Receive and file.

**5.5 Refugee Settlement Services**

**5.5.1 SD37**

Receive and file.

**5.5.2 Letter from BCSTA to MP Hussen**

Receive and file.

**5.5.3 Letter to Laurie French, President CSBA**

Receive and file.

**5.6 Grad Program**

**5.6.1 Letter to Minister**

Receive and file.

**6. ADJOURNMENT**

The Advocacy/Education Committee meeting was adjourned at 10:17 a.m.