



School District No. 5
From the Office of the Superintendent

To: Trustees
From: Lynn Hauptman
Date: June 10, 2014
Re: Monthly Report to the Board

Purpose of this Report:

As the Board's Chief Executive Officer, the Superintendent of Schools is accountable for the day-to-day operations of the school district and for ensuring that the Board is aware of how the school district is doing in all areas of its operations.

Superintendent's Activities

Fernie Student Wins Top Award at Provincial French Public Speaking Competition

Leah Heavey, Grade 7 at Fernie Secondary School took home a top award in this year's pan-provincial French public speaking competition, *Concours d'art oratoire*. 10,000 students from across B.C. competed and 285 made the provincial finals. *Concours d'art oratoire* helps students develop their creative and public speaking abilities, as well as self-confidence. Congratulations Leah!

2014/2015 School Fees – see attached sheet

Dogwood District Authority Scholarships

Janice Paetz, Gail Rousseau and Jason Tichauer have just received District Dogwood presentations from 58 students who shared their passions and career aspirations in such a powerful way. In the end 46 - \$1000 scholarships have been awarded. I extend my sincere appreciation to all donors who are making a significant impact on post-secondary opportunities for our students.

BC Liquor Stores 2014 Dry Grad Campaign

School District 5 participated in the thirteenth annual fundraising campaign to support alcohol-free graduation celebrations in all of our communities planned by the BC Liquor Distribution Branch (LDB). Elkford Secondary will receive \$40.00, Sparwood Secondary will receive \$512.00, Fernie Secondary will receive \$1,072.61 and Mt. Baker Secondary will receive \$5,807.00. An Exit Survey will be completed by each school and submitted on behalf of the District which will summarize the allocation of the campaign funding.

New Principal/Vice-Principal Positions

We have been busy finalizing Administrative positions within the district and we'd like to welcome Dean Chandler as Principal to Rocky Mountain Elementary School in Elkford, Doug Bolander as Principal to Elkford Secondary School and Jennifer Roberts as Vice-Principal at TM Roberts Elementary in Cranbrook.

Medieval Feast at LMS

I also had the pleasure of attending the Medieval Feast that was the culminating event in their Medieval Social Studies unit in the Student Services department at Laurie Middle School. A good time was had by all! Great costumes, food and entertainment!

Graduation Ceremonies

MBSS – June 26 5:00 p.m.

ESS – June 26 11:00 a.m.

FSS – June 26 2:00 p.m.

Enrolment report – see attached

Finance/Operations Updates:

The Board adopted the 2014/15 Annual Budget and we are now updating our accounts so budget reports are ready for Account Managers for late August. Payroll staff is busy with calculations for strike and lockout deductions and those calculations will be passed on to the Ministry where 80% will be withheld and 20% returned to the district. Staff meetings continue in our department to prepare for the upcoming annual audit, our auditors are expected to arrive in the district in early August where they will conduct an extensive review of our accounts.

CUPE bargaining is now underway with meetings schedule for June 2, 9 and 16 with the team and/or CUPE. We expect to continue CUPE bargaining into September 2014.

Update from the Director of Student Learning and Innovation

Summer Book Give-away

We are extremely excited to be supporting (once again) some of our young readers through the summer months. In previous years two classes were selected to receive 4 -5 books over the summer. This year we are focusing on our more vulnerable or beginning readers. Our District Literacy Support Teacher will be supporting the following teachers/classes with this year's event.

- SES – 6 grade 2 students
- IDES – 6 Grade 3-4 students from Amy Smith's class
- GTES – 6 students from Annie Bock's class
- HES – 6 grade 2 students in Cassandra Buch's class

- TMRES -3 grade 1 students from Kerry Barclay's class
- TMRES -3 grade 2 students from Amy Gondek's class

Changing Results for Young Readers (CR4YR)

The Ministry, through the BCed Plan funding, will once again support this initiative for the 2013-2014 school year. We are in the process of determining the school teams that will be participating this year. The hope is to have two parallel groups similar to this past year. The District plans on supporting a team of 2-3 educators to attend the CR4YR Provincial Network Session held in August 2014.

Early Childhood Education

SD 5 continues to work in partnership with the Ministry of Education to provide the Early Childhood Educators (StrongStart) in our Region with access to relevant professional development. Although no new centers are being supported we are continuing to work with the 4 presently operating in our communities of Sparwood, Fernie and Cranbrook.

PVP mentoring/training

The mentoring of our new PVP members will be continuing this coming year. We are currently supporting three members in attending the UBC short course in July as well registration support for a handful attending the Assessment Conference in Portland

Cyber Seniors

SSS and FSS are in working in partnership with CBAL to develop a "cyber seniors" training workshop. CBAL will be training several senior students in delivering a computer training program for Seniors. The students will be earning credits toward graduation, while at the same time, contributing to their community with intergenerational learning.

Technology Update

Welcome and congratulations to our new Technology Foreman: Joanne Lees!! Our technology roll-out continues as planned with TMRE, and PMS scheduled for the summer months. Conversations are continuing with schools to ensure technology requests, needs and purchases are in line with the technology plan while at the same time addressing the educational needs of students and teachers.

MyEducationBC initial Train the Trainer is complete and data validation is scheduled for June 23 -26th. Data conversion will be done once the Year End Transition (YET) is complete. With all the work that still remains in the new environment the Implementation Plan has been adjusted to include only Elementary Schools and StrongStart Centers for September 2014.

Update from the District Principal/Student Services

The Alternate Education Program review document was presented at the May Student Services Committee meeting.

Learning Improvement Plan forms went out, consultations done between principals and education staff, they were collected, summarized and presented to Senior Management for decisions. Some staffing will occur this spring. The remaining majority of the funds will be allocated with the second round of LIF legislated consultation in the fall, followed by LIF staffing in October.

A number of file reviews will occupy many weeks this spring. Approximately 140 files for all students requiring intensive behavior intervention will be reviewed and renewed if criteria and services are maintained. There are a number of additional student files that need authorization for a special education designation.

There is a big focus on mental health with two interagency meetings this month: Mental Health Promotion Collaboration (promotion and prevention); and The Child and Youth Mental Health and Substance Use Collaborative Action Team (intervention and crisis management).

A newly assigned role as Healthy School Coordinator for SD5 is focusing this month on the new Guidelines for Food and Beverage Sales in BC Schools - they are mandated to be fully implemented by September 2014. Other future topics and activities will include healthy eating, school meals, Action Schools, school connectedness, school fruits and veggies program, wellness, life-threatening food allergies in schools, school meals and nutrition, healthy attitudes, dental health, mental health, anxiety, depression, sip smart, physical activity, physical health, self-esteem, and cancer prevention, to name a few.

Website development support continues with the district webpage and with all schools.

Update from the Director of Instruction/Human Resources

CUPE bargaining is in the planning stages and will be exchanging bargaining proposals in the next few days. We are looking forward to positive discussions and making improvements to the collective agreement.

Staffing processes for the coming school year are now well under way. The first round of postings for teachers has closed and we are now working on filling them. We hope to complete a 2nd round of postings before July 4th.

The retirement celebration for employees of School District 5 is taking place on Thursday, June 18th at St. Eugene Mission Resort. There have been over 40 retirements thus far this past school year. We look forward to an enjoyable evening where we can celebrate the accomplishments of employees and their distinguished careers.

Update from the Director of Student Learning and Aboriginal Education:

Skills Training

Project Heavy Duty was a great success again this year! This past month, 24 students from Cranbrook were given the opportunity to work, train and learn on various pieces of heavy equipment at the City of Cranbrook Public Works yard. Students once again received first aid certification, worksite safety equipment and valuable exposure to potential careers.

There is a tremendous amount of work that goes into organizing this event for students, and we certainly could not have such a successful event without our industry partners! As is standard, next year will be in the Elk Valley.

Aboriginal Education

This month we had our last Enhancement Agreement Committee of the year. Representatives from the St. Mary's band, the Metis Association and district Aboriginal Education Support Workers were able to join us. We had the opportunity to discuss the First Peoples Principles of Learning with the group and had some excellent feedback. Also discussed at length was the process for cultural project approvals in SD 5.

Safe Schools Coordinator

All Safe Schools Coordinators were called to the lower mainland this month to discuss various topics. Amongst the issues discussed were recent trends in adolescent drug use, district policies around 'e-cigs' or ENDS, interpretations of the Family Law Act in terms of student enrollment and parental rights and an announcement that ERASE bullying will have a level 3 training coming in the fall.

Important Dates for Trustees:

Retirement Dinner – June 18, St. Eugene Resort
Ktunaxa Flag Raising Ceremony – MBSS, June 17 11:00 a.m.

Lynn Hauptman
Superintendent

School District 5 Enrolment - June, 2014

School	Student Funded FTE Feb. 01, 14	Student FTE June 1, 14	Difference
Amy Woodland Elementary	247	258	11
Elkford Elem/Secondary	162.75	161	-1.75
Fernie Secondary	295	300.625	6
Frank J. Mitchell Elementary	344	353	9
Gordon Terrace Elementary	282	282	0
Highlands Elementary	241	244	3
Isabella Dicken Elementary	349	352	3
Jaffray Elem. Junior Secondary	169	166	-3
Kootenay Discovery School	32.12	9	(23)
Kootenay Educational Services	59	64.375	5.375
Kootenay Orchards Elementary	229	227	(2)
Laurie Middle	302	297	-5
Mount Baker Secondary	862.25	840.75	(22)
Parkland Middle	467.76	466.75	-1.01
Pinewood Elementary	113	116	3
Rocky Mountain Elementary	233	233	0
Sparwood Secondary	249.62	242.625	(7)
Steeples Elementary	142	133	-9
T.M. Roberts Elementary	357	356	(1)
Total District	5136.5	5102	-34

School District 5 (Southeast Kootenay)									
2014-2015 School Fees									
Schools	Refundable Deposits	Planners (optional)	Student Activities	Locks	Yearbook	School Supplies	Specialty Academy	Musical Instruments	
Amy Woodland		\$10.00				\$8.15 - optional			
Elkford Secondary		\$15 - agendas, locks & lockers							
Fernie Secondary			\$15-agenda/lock/locker/sc fee						
Frank J. Mitchell				\$3 - optional					
Gordon Terrace		\$8 agenda (optional)				\$6-45 (optional) may be workbooks		\$8/month	
Highlands						\$21-K; \$36-1-3; \$40-4; \$56-5&6 (opt)			
Isabella Dicken			optional swim K-3 \$12, Optional Ski 4-6 \$30					\$12/mo. Gr. 6 Band \$7 recor	
Jaffray		\$5 - agenda	\$38 - swimming - optional	\$5 - optional		\$30 - optional			
Kootenay Orchards		\$10 agenda (gr 4-6)				\$1-6 - optional			
Laurie		\$10 - agenda & lock			\$35 - optional				
Mt. Baker	\$35 textbooks	\$25- agenda, calendar magnet, lock, activity fee			\$60 - optional	\$5-40 - optional			
Parkland	\$35 textbooks	\$10 - handbook/magnetic calendar/ lock/locker			\$35 - optional		\$990/yr		
Pinewood		\$10 - agenda				\$20-30 - optional		rental - \$80/yr	
Rocky Mountain						\$20-30 - optional			
Sparwood Secondary		\$15 includes agenda & magnets							
Steeplees		\$10 - intermediate agenda				\$7 Primary; \$5 intermediate - optional		\$10 band book - opt.	
T.M. Roberts		\$5-15 includes agenda							