



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

**November 10, 2015, 3:30 p.m.
Board Office**

Present: Chairperson Lento
Trustee Ayling
Trustee Bellina
Trustee Blumhagen
Trustee Brown
Trustee Helgesen
Trustee Johns
Trustee McPhee
Trustee Whalen
Secretary Treasurer, R. Norum
Director of Instruction/Human Resources, B. Reimer
Director of Student Services and Aboriginal Education, J. Tichauer
District Principal of Student Services, D. Verbeurgt
District Principal of Technology and Transformative Learning, Jen Roberts
Recorder, Corinne Burns

Regrets: Superintendent of Schools, L. Hauptman

1. COMMENCEMENT OF MEETING

1.1 Call to Order

Chairperson Lento called the November 10, 2015 regular public meeting of the Board of Education to order at 3:33 p.m.
Chairperson Lento acknowledged that we are on the traditional lands of the Ktunaxa people.

1.2 Consideration and Approval of Agenda

MOTION R-15-136

M/S that the agenda for the regular public meeting of the Board of Education of November 10, 2015 be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

1.3 Approval of the Minutes

Minutes of the Public meeting of the Board of Education of October 13, 2015.

MOTION R-15-137

M/S that the minutes of the regular public meeting of the Board of Education of October 13, 2015 be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

1.4 Receipt of Records of Closed Meetings

MOTION R-15-138

M/S to accept the closed records of the in-camera meeting of the Board of Education of October 13, 2015.

CARRIED

1.5 Business Arising from Previous Minutes

Mr. Reimer reported that he has spoken with Anita Palmer at the Fernie Campus of the College of the Rockies regarding the need for Education Assistants. As she suggested to him he has also followed up with a letter.

1.6 Receiving of Delegations/Presentations

1.6.1 DSAC - Blue Lake, Vice Principal Mike Kelly

Vice Principal Mike Kelly reported to the Board he attended the DSAC trip to Blue Lake with DSAC students from all Middle and Secondary Schools. Key points were:

- vision to increase authentic participation in DSAC.
- appreciate the importance of service, students are crew not passengers.
- team building.

Student feedback points were:

- hands on learning
- life skills
- more one on one help in classrooms

Students are asked to provide a service to their schools and another service outside.

Discussion included:

- what are/or could be SD No.5 Trustees roles.
- funding
- providing a list of outside opportunities students could look at.
- presentations to PAC explaining what DSAC is about may help people understand.

Chairperson Lento suggested DSAC discussion continue on committee day and thanked Trustee Bellina and Gail Rousseau for their participation with DSAC.

1.6.2 Growth Plan - T.M. Roberts School

Principal Brenda Tyson, Vice Principal Carlene Lochrie and Ms. Dot Galvin presented to the Board TMRES's Growth Plan. Ms. Tyson reported they focused on two subjects

1. What does reading mean to me?
2. Social-Emotional Connectedness

Ms. Tyson shared a power point presentation. The highlights are as follows:

- why children think it is important to know how to read.
- staff combining valuable information from different conferences.

Reading programs in the school are:

- Sound Connections
- one on one reading programs

- Red Cedar readers
- “Green” Cedar readers (coming soon)
- collaborative inquiry project

Social-Emotional programs are:

- leadership
- Physical Literacy
- buddy classes
- blended grades

Staff are doing surveys to see if they are building that sense of wanting to be there.

Discussion included:

- all of these programs fit with the new curriculum.
- seeing positive results from the reading program.

Chairperson Lento thanked the ladies for their dedication to the growth plan and the students.

2. COMMITTEE REPORTS/TRUSTEE REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

2.1 Advocacy/Education Committee

Co-chair Trustee Blumhagen reviewed the minutes of the October 26, 2015 meeting of the Advocacy/Education Committee.

MOTION R-15-139

M/S that the Board develop an ad hoc committee to discuss Dress Code/Sports Attire.

CARRIED

Discussion included:

Trustee Blumhagen, Brown and Whalen along with Mr. Tichauer will form this committee.

MOTION R-15-140

M/S that the Board tentatively approve the Field Trip to Nicaragua for Jaffray Elementary Junior Secondary School in April, 2016

CARRIED

MOTION R-15-141

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

CARRIED

2.2 Policy Committee

Co-chair Trustee Brown reviewed the minutes of the October 26, 2015 meeting of the Policy Committee.

MOTION R-15-142

M/S that the Board allow three readings of revising Policy 1.2 Procedural Bylaw for the Public Board Meeting opening to acknowledge that we are on the traditional lands of the Ktunaxa people.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION R-15-143

M/S read a first time the 10th day of November, 2015.

CARRIED

MOTION R-15-144

M/S read a second time the 10th day of November, 2015.

CARRIED

MOTION R-15-145

M/S read a third time, passed and adopted the 10th day of November, 2015.

CARRIED

MOTION R-15-146

M/S that the revised Policy 1.2 Procedural Bylaw be sent to the Board of Education for approval.

CARRIED

MOTION R-15-147

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

2.3 Finance/Operations/Personnel Committee

Co-chair Trustee Bellina reviewed the minutes of the October 26, 2015 meeting of the Finance/Operations/Personnel Committee.

The Board recommended submitting our Capital Plan with our same top four priority schools

MOTION R-15-148

M/S that the Board of Education (Southeast Kootenay) approve the Capital Plan as outlined in the attached summary.

CARRIED

MOTION R-15-149

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

CARRIED

2.4 Communications/Media Committee

Trustee Ayling reported there was one media release submitted for the hiring of the District Principal Technology and Transformative Learning.

MOTION R-15-150

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

CARRIED

2.5 Mt. Baker / Key City Theatre Replacement Committee

Trustee Johns reported the Key City Theatre has decided not to rebuild. They will refurbish the existing building. He reported the Key City Theatre is a key partner with School District No. 5 and considers the Key City Theatre part of the Neighborhood Learning Centre.

MOTION R-15-151

M/S to accept the report of the Mt. Baker / Key City Theatre Replacement Committee.

CARRIED

2.6 Legacy of Learning

Trustee Johns distributed information regarding erecting a plaque at the site of the new off leash dog park in honour of Muriel Baxter. This information will be presented to the city in hopes of cost sharing.

MOTION R-15-152

M/S that the board discuss a cost-sharing partnership with the City of Cranbrook to install a Muriel Baxter Elementary School plaque at the school site in honour of Muriel Baxter.

CARRIED

MOTION R-15-153

M/S to accept the Legacy of Learning report.

CARRIED

2.7 Trustee Reports

Trustees reported on their activities for the month.

3. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT TO THE BOARD

Superintendent Hauptman's attached report of November 10, 2015 is included:

- Superintendent's Activities
 - Remembrance Day
 - World Food Day, raised over \$12,000
 - Terry Fox Run, raised over \$11,000
- Finance/Operations Updates

Mr. Norum reported he is waiting for the final 1701 report from the Ministry. He continues to work on bus route adjustments.
- Update from Director of Instruction/Safety/Aboriginal Education

Mr. Tichauer reported the Ministry has published provincially, the Going Forward: Aboriginal Worldviews and Perspectives in the Classroom document that SD No.5 staff spent valuable time and input on.

Update from District Principal/Student Services

Mr. Verbeugt reported it has been a busy year and he is thrilled to see his staff excited about all the staff development opportunities that are available this year.
- Update from Director of Instruction/Human Resources

Mr. Reimer reported he along with Kayley Wasylowich and Viveka Johnson will be attending a recruitment fair in Victoria. He is looking to recruit French Immersion, math, and science teachers as well as counsellors.
- Update from Director of Technology and Transformative Learning

Ms. Roberts reported My Education is down for conversion. Elkford Secondary School conversion has been moved to the week of November 16, 2015.

Important Dates for Trustees
Trustee Academy, November 26-28
BCSTA AGM April 14-17
Graduations
SSS – June 4
EDD – June 23
FSS – June 24
MBSS – June 24

- Enrolment Report

MOTION R-15-154

M/S that the November 10, 2015 Superintendent's Report to the Board of Education be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

4. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Chairperson Lento reported he was pleased to attend the Deputy Minister's presentation in Richmond.

5. NEW BUSINESS

5.1 Business Arising from Delegations

Trustees would like to discuss DSAC opportunities at the November committee meeting.

5.2 Minor Capital Bylaw

MOTION R-15-155

M/S that the Board allow three readings of Capital Project Bylaw – Project No. 126927 – Laurie Middle School.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION R-15-156

M/S read a first time the 10th day of November, 2015.

CARRIED

MOTION R-15-157

M/S read a second time the 10th day of November, 2015.

CARRIED

MOTION R-15-158

M/S read a third time, passed and adopted the 10th day of November, 2015.

CARRIED

MOTION R-15-159

M/S that the Board allow three readings of Capital Project Bylaw – Project No. 126928 – Mount Baker Secondary.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION R-15-160

M/S read a first time the 10th day of November, 2015.

CARRIED

MOTION R-15-161

M/S read a second time the 10th day of November, 2015.

CARRIED

MOTION R-15-162

M/S read a third time, passed and adopted the 10th day of November, 2015.

CARRIED

MOTION R-15-163

M/S that the Board allow three readings of Capital Project Bylaw – Project No. 126991 – Various Elementary Schools.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION R-15-164

M/S read a first time the 10th day of November, 2015.

CARRIED

MOTION R-15-165

M/S read a second time the 10th day of November, 2015.

CARRIED

MOTION R-15-166

M/S read a third time, passed and adopted the 10th day of November, 2015.

CARRIED

5.3 Amended School Calendar

Mr. Reimer reported due to the new curriculum starting next year the Ministry has approved the addition of two professional days to be added to the 2015/16 school calendar. The proposed dates are January 18, 2015 and April 29, 2015. This time will allow staff to prepare for the new curriculum.

MOTION R-15-167

M/S that the Board approve as amended the 2015/2016 Annual School Calendar as amended and hold over for thirty days' public input.

CARRIED

5.4 Dress Code

This item was discussed under Advocacy/Education Committee.

6. TRUSTEE BOUQUETS

Trustee Johns presented Chairperson Lento and Mr. Verbeurgt with t-shirts from Astronaut Abby.

Trustee Bellina thanked the schools for their Remembrance Day Ceremonies.

Trustee Ayling thanked Trustees for helping out with meetings that she was unable to attend.

Trustee McPhee thanked all the schools that participated in World Food Drive.

Chairperson Lento thanked a certain teacher at IDES who invited him to read to her class and also included his wife.

Trustee Brown thanked the CFTA for the information on the new curriculum.

7. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION/CORRESPONDENCE

7.1 Snow Removal Tender

7.2 Key City Theatre

8. QUESTION PERIOD

It was suggested that a refugee plan for the proposed Syrian refugees would be a good idea.

Ms. Balfour asked the Board to consider allowing the Education Assistants to participate on the additional professional days added to our school calendar. The information on the new curriculum will benefit them as well. Chairperson Lento advised the Board will take a serious look at the request.

Mr. Reimer handed out the stats for the class sizes.

9. ADJOURNMENT

M/S that the November 10, 2015 regular public meeting of the Board of Education adjourn at 5:00 p.m.

CARRIED

10. LATE ITEMS

Frank Lento, Chairperson

Rob Norum, Secretary Treasurer