



**The Board of Education of
School District No.5 (Southeast Kootenay)
Minutes - Advocacy/Education Committee**

November 27, 2023, 2:30 p.m.

Cranbrook Board Office

Committee Members in Attendance: Co-Chair Trustee Alysha Clarke
Trustee Bev Bellina
Trustee Sarah Madsen

Regrets: Co-Chair Trustee Wendy Turner

Board/District Staff in Attendance: Chairperson Doug McPhee
Trustee Trina Ayling
Trustee Irene Bischler
Trustee Chris Johns
Superintendent Viveka Johnson
Secretary Treasurer Nick Taylor
Director of Student Learning and Innovation Diane Casault
Director of Student Learning and Indigenous Education Jason Tichauer
Operations Manager Joe Tank
District Principal Student Services Darcy Verbeurgt
District Principal Early Learning and Child Care Laura-Lee Phillips
Executive Assistant to Secretary Treasurer and Superintendent (recorder) Jane Nixon

1. COMMENCEMENT OF MEETING

1.1 Call to Order

Co-Chair Trustee Clarke called the Advocacy Education Committee meeting of November 27, 2023, to order at 2:05 p.m.

1.2 Approval of Agenda

Moved/Seconded by Madsen/Bellina:

THAT the agenda of the Advocacy Education Committee meeting of November 27, 2023 be approved as circulated.

1.3 Approval of Minutes

Moved/Seconded by Madsen/Bellina:

THAT the minutes of the Advocacy Education Committee meeting of October 23, 2023, be approved as circulated.

2. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

2.1 Private School Funding

Trustee Johns briefly introduced the topic of private school funding. Director Tichauer provided an informational hand out to meeting attendees which was emailed to trustees prior to the meeting.

Director Tichauer reviewed the levels of British Columbia independent schools funded at 50 percent, 35 percent or 0 percent. He explained that there are many independent options housed within the District communities. He reviewed entrance and enrolment fees associated with each independent school in the District.

Secretary Treasurer Taylor will extract data from Baragar Systems to assist in the analysis of enrolment numbers in local independent schools.

2.2 Equity in Action

No update at this time

3. PRESENTATIONS

Nil

4. REPORTS

4.1 DSAC Report

Trustee Bellina reported that the next DSAC meeting will be on November 30, 2023.

4.2 DPAC Report

Secretary Treasurer Taylor attended the November DPAC meeting. Trustee Turner provided a verbal update of potential upcoming DPAC sponsored workshops on cyber bullying and other relevant topics.

4.3 Framework for Enhancing Student Learning (FESL) (Items determined by Superintendent)

Superintendent Johnson reported that the Youth Development Index and Middle Years Development Index will be conducted from January to March 2024.

4.4 Child Care

District Principal Phillips provided a report in the agenda package. The child care update has been sent to school principals and vice principals for distribution.

5. NEW BUSINESS

Nil

6. ACTION ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

Nil

7. CORRESPONDENCE

Nil

8. ADJOURNMENT

Moved/Seconded by Madsen/Clarke:

THAT the November 27, 2023, Advocacy Education Committee meeting adjourn at 2:33 p.m.

Have we continued to enhance high standards, noble expectations, elevated commitments and quality performances to support student achievement?