



**The Board of Education of
School District No.5 (Southeast Kootenay)
MINUTES - FINANCE/OPERATIONS/PERSONNEL COMMITTEE (PUBLIC)**

**November 28, 2016, 11:30 a.m.
Board Office**

Committee Members in Attendance: Co-chair Trustee Johns
Trustee Bellina – by phone

Board/District Staff in Attendance: Trustee Ayling
Trustee Brown
Chairperson Lento
Trustee McPhee
Superintendent of Schools, L. Hauptman
Secretary Treasurer, R. Norum
Director of Instruction/Human Resources, B. Reimer
Director of Student Learning and Aboriginal Education, J. Tichauer
Director of Instruction/Student Learning, D. Casault
Recorder, Sandy Gronlund

Regrets: Trustee Blumhagen
Trustee Johns
Trustee Whalen

1. COMMENCEMENT OF MEETING

1.1 Call to Order

The public Finance/Operations/Personnel Committee meeting of November 28, 2016 was called to order at 11:22 a.m. by Co-chair Trustee Helgesen.

1.2 Approval of the Agenda

The agenda of the public Finance/Operations/Personnel Committee meeting of November 28, 2016 approved as circulated.

1.3 Approval of the Minutes

The minutes of the public Finance/Operations/Personnel Committee meeting of October 24, 2016 be approved as circulated.

2. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

2.1 Update on Hwy 3 & 13 St Crossing in Fernie

Chairperson Lento and Rob Norum met with our MLA, Bill Bennett, on Friday, November 25th regarding the safety concern with the Hwy 3 crossing at 13th St in Fernie. MLA Bennett said this has been an ongoing safety issue since 2012 and he will pursue this concern.

3. DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

Nil

4. NEW BUSINESS

4.1 Bussing in Elkford

Discussion included:

- lack of student registration on the busses creating over crowding
- students come with notes from parents to ride the bus and be dropped off at different areas
- School District 5 is looking at the routes and at the needs of students to try to improve the bussing. One more run in Elkford was added – more students are being picked up
- now monitoring the students as to whether they are or not actually using the bus
- If the School District was to follow the transportation Policy 5.4, “Student Eligibility for Bus Service”, only 8 students are eligible to ride the bus when actually 221 students are riding. Elkford area bussing needs to be looked at on an individual bases.
- would like to see the policy cover needs for areas like Elkford, especially in the winter months
- would like to see all busses full
- Interpretation of the policy is to make sure we get elementary students on the bus, which has made some secondary students having to walk. Not the best situation but we are still looking at other scenarios that could work. Many variables to try and accommodate all of the students
- Chairperson Lento shared some ideas regarding the bussing issues
- when we exceed the expectations of our policy it is difficult to go back to the policy

The Policy Committee to review Policy 5.4 “Student Eligibility for Bus Service” at their next meeting.

5. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

5.1 District Safety Advisory Committee

5.1.1 Minutes of October 28, 2016

Attached to Agenda

5.2 Finance Report
Attached to Agenda

5.3 Decision re: BCTF Appeal
First meeting between BCPSEA and BCTF is November 29, 2016.

5.4 Shared Energy Pilot - 2016-17 School Year
Mr. Norum has put forward School District No. 5 for an opportunity to share in the energy management project. He discussed what it may look like. We are now waiting and hoping for a positive response. This Pilot will be conducted by School District No. 23.

5.5 Transportation Funding Letter
Attached to Agenda

6. QUESTION PERIOD
Nil

7. ADJOURNMENT
The public Finance/Operations/Personnel Committee meeting of November 28, 2016 adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

8. LATE ITEMS
Nil