



**The Board of Education of
School District No.5 (Southeast Kootenay)
Minutes – Policy Committee**

**November 28, 2016, 10:30 a.m.
Board Office**

Committee Members **Co-Chair Trustee Brown (Chair)**
Co-Chair Trustee Ayling

In Attendance: **Trustee McPhee**
Trustee Helgesen

Regrets:

Board/District Staff in Attendance: **Trustee Bellina (by phone)**
Chairperson Lento
Lynn Hauptman, Superintendent
Diane Casault, Director of Student Learning/Innovation
Jason Tichauer, Director of Student Learning/Aboriginal Educ.
Darcy Verbeurgt, District Principal of Student Services
Janice Paetz, Executive Assistant (Recorder)

1. COMMENCEMENT OF MEETING

1.1. Call to Order

The Policy Committee meeting of November 28, 2016 was called to order at 11:02 a.m. by Co-Chair Brown.

1.2. Approval of the Agenda

POL-2016-13

M/S that the agenda for the Policy Committee meeting of November 28, 2016 be approved as circulated.

1.3. Approval of the Minutes

POL-2016-14

M/S that the minutes of the Policy Committee meeting of October 24, 2016 be approved as circulated.

2. POLICIES PASSED BY THE BOARD SINCE LAST MEETING

Nil

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

Nil

4. CORRESPONDENCE AND/OR NEW ITEMS

4.1 Policy 3.9 Alcohol or Drugs – Possession, Trafficking or Non-Medical Use

Discussion included:

- the reworking of Policy 3.7 Code of Conduct – language speaks more to consequences – may/may not be an indefinite suspension and/or combination of both consequences/suspension
- Is there a desire to combine several of these policies?
- felt that 3.9 and 3.11 are redundant now that we have the Code of Conduct policy.

Recommendation A

“M/S that Policy 3.9 Alcohol or Drugs – Possession, Trafficking or Non-Medical Use be sent to the Board of Education for deletion.”

4.2 Policy 3.11 Drug Free Zone

Discussion included in above item.

Recommendation B

“M/S that Policy 3.11 Drug Free Zone be sent to the Board of Education for deletion.”

4.3 Policy 3.35 Sexual Orientation/Gender Identity

- new/updated information is coming out from the Ministry quite often
- our current policy matches the Ministry’s guidelines/requirements, however we do need to create regulations
- please go to sogieducation.org for more information
- schools have all received this information and there will be work to do in schools to ensure students are educated in this area.

5. INFORMATION ITEMS

Nil

6. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:14 a.m.