



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

October 11, 2022, 3:00 p.m.
Cranbrook Board Office

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1. COMMENCEMENT OF MEETING

1.1. Call to Order

1.2. Greeting

Acknowledgement that we are gathered on the Homelands of the Ktunaxa people.

1.3. Chairperson's Opening Remarks and Recognitions

1.4. Opening Round

Members of the Board, District Management, District Staff and local Union Presidents share a reflection of gratitude.

1.5. Consideration and Approval of Agenda

1.6. Approval of the Minutes

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Approval of the minutes from September 13, 2022 and approval of the minutes from the special meeting of the Board of Education on September 26, 2022.

1.7. Receipt of Records of Closed Meetings

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1.8. Business Arising from Previous Minutes

1.8.1. 2022/2023 Annual School Calendar (Revised)

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Date change to April RSA Professional Development Day

THAT the Board accept the revisions to the 2022/2023 School Calendar.

1.8.2. Mount Baker Secondary School Replacement

Follow up on the request for the Minister of Education and Child Care to visit the communities of Fernie and Cranbrook (specifically Mount Baker Secondary)

1.8.3. Trades Funding

Follow up on the trades funding beyond graduation letter of September 2021 sent to Minister of Education and Child Care and to the Minister of Advance Education Skills and Training.

2. RECEIVING OF DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

3. COMMITTEE REPORTS/TRUSTEE REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

3.1. Advocacy/Education Committee

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Co-chair Trustee Bellina

RECOMMENDATION A:

THAT the Board send a letter supporting the concerns raised by School District No. 68 in their letter to Minister Whiteside of July 5, 2022, regarding capital funding, Ministry processes for operating and special purpose funding approvals and additional supports and strategies for mental health.

RECOMMENDATION B:

THAT the Board send a letter supporting the concerns raised by the BCSTA in their letter to Minister Whiteside of August 29, 2022, regarding an increase in school life-cycle funding.

3.2. Policy Committee

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Co-chair Trustee Ayling

3.3. Student Services Committee

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Co-chair Trustee McPhee

3.4. Finance/Operations/Personnel Committee

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Co-chair Trustee Johns

3.5. BCSTA /Provincial Council

3.6. Communications/Media Committee

3.7. Mount Baker Secondary School Replacement Committee

3.8. Key City Theatre

Minutes from September Key City Theatre meeting

3.9. Legacy of Learning

3.10. French Immersion Update

3.11. Trustee Reports/Bouquets

4. SECRETARY TREASURER'S REPORT TO THE BOARD

Reporting on (finances/budget, capital projects, facilities, operations/maintenance/transportation)

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September 2022 Report from Superintendent Johnson

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6. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

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6.2. Recommendations

7. NEW BUSINESS

7.1. Business Arising from Delegations

8. CLOSING ROUND

9. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION/CORRESPONDENCE

9.1. October 15 - General Election

9.2. October 20 - Secretary Treasurer Evaluation

9.3. November 8 - Inaugural Meeting

9.4. December 1-3 Academy and New Trustee Orientation

10. QUESTION PERIOD

11. ADJOURNMENT

What have we done at this meeting to help our students become more interested in school and to support them in their personal learning journey?



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

**September 13, 2022, 3:00 p.m.
Cranbrook Board Office**

Present: Chairperson Frank Lento
Trustee Trina Ayling
Trustee Bev Bellina (remotely)
Trustee Krista Damstrom
Trustee Chris Johns
Trustee Kathryn Kitt
Trustee Doug McPhee
Trustee Patricia Whalen

Regrets: Trustee Wendy Turner

Staff Present Superintendent Viveka Johnson
Secretary Treasurer Nick Taylor (remotely)
Director of Instruction Human Resources Brent Reimer
Director of Student Learning and Aboriginal Education Jason Tichauer
Director of Student Learning and Innovation Diane Casault
District Principal Student Services Darcy Verbeurgt
District Principal of Transformative Learning Jennifer Roberts
Executive Assistant (recorder) Jane Nixon

1. COMMENCEMENT OF MEETING

1.1 Call to Order

Chairperson Lento called the September 13, 2022 regular public meeting of the Board of Education to order at 3:03 p.m.

1.2 Greeting

Elder Joan O'Neil and Indigenous Coordinator Faye O'Neil extended a welcome and acknowledgement that the Board of Education of School District No. 5 (Southeast Kootenay) is meeting on the Homelands of the Ktunaxa people.

1.3 Chairperson's Opening Remarks and Recognitions

Expressed deep gratitude to Elder Joan O'Neil and Indigenous Coordinator Faye O'Neil.

Extended a welcome to Superintendent Viveka Johnson and also welcomed the leadership of Secretary Treasurer Taylor and Superintendent Johnson to a new school year.

Recognized the following recipients of the platinum jubilee celebration awards: Shelley Balfour, Adam Stewart, Chris Goodwin and Steven Hammond.

Offered congratulations Michael Meinig on his retirement.

Acknowledged the passing of Queen Elizabeth II and held a moment of silence.

Offered well wishes to Trustee Turner and Trustee Bellina.

1.4 Opening Round

Members of the Board, District Management, District Staff and local Union Presidents shared a reflection of gratitude.

1.5 Consideration and Approval of Agenda

Additions:

7.2 Trades Funding letter follow up

MOTION R-22-117

Moved/Seconded by McPhee/Johns:

THAT the agenda for the regular public meeting of the Board of Education of September 13, 2022 be approved as amended.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1.6 Approval of the Minutes

Minutes of the regular public meeting of the Board of Education of June 14, 2022.

MOTION R-22-118

Moved/Seconded by Whalen/Bellina:

THAT the minutes of the regular public meeting of the Board of Education of June 14, 2022 be approved as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1.7 Receipt of Records of Closed Meetings

MOTION R-22-119

Moved/Seconded by Kitt/Damstrom:

THAT the Board accept the closed records of the in-camera meetings of the Board of Education of June 14, 2022 and June 30, 2022.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1.8 Business Arising from Previous Minutes

Nil

2. RECEIVING OF DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

Nil

3. COMMITTEE REPORTS/TRUSTEE REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

3.1 Advocacy/Education Committee

Co-chair Trustee Bellina reviewed the minutes of the August 29, 2022 meeting of the Advocacy/Education Committee.

MOTION R-22-120

Moved/Seconded by Bellina/Whalen:

THAT the Board accept the report of the Advocacy/Education Committee.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3.2 Policy Committee

Co-chair Trustee Ayling reviewed the minutes of the August 29, 2022 meeting of the Policy Committee.

MOTION R-22-121

Moved/Seconded by Ayling/McPhee:

THAT the Board accept the report of the Policy Committee.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3.3 Student Services Committee

Co-chair Trustee Damstrom reviewed the minutes of the August 29, 2022 meeting of the Student Services Committee.

MOTION R-22-122

Moved/Seconded by Damstrom/McPhee:

THAT the Board accept the report of the Student Services Committee.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3.4 Finance/Operations/Personnel Committee

Co-chair Trustee Johns reviewed the minutes of the August 29, 2022 meeting of the Finance/Operations/Personnel Committee.

MOTION R-22-123

Moved/Seconded by Johns/Kitt:

THAT the location of the Board of Education meetings on October 11, 2022 be amended to Cranbrook;

and further,

THAT the location of the Committee meetings on October 24, 2022 be amended to Cranbrook.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION R-22-124

Moved/Seconded by Johns/McPhee:

THAT Secretary Treasurer Taylor follow up with the Regional District of East Kootenay (RDEK) on the correspondence of May 18, 2022 regarding the Speed Reduction on Highway 3, Jaffray.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION R-22-125

Moved/Seconded by Johns/McPhee:

THAT the Board accept the report of the Finance/Operations/Personnel Committee.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3.5 BCSTA/Provincial Council

Trustee Bellina reported on the Kootenay Boundary Branch Annual General Meeting held on September 10, 2022.

MOTION R-22-126

Moved/Seconded by Bellina:

THAT the Board accept the report of the BCSTA/Provincial Council.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3.6 Communications/Media Committee

Trustee Ayling reported that no recent communications or media submissions have been made.

MOTION R-22-127

Moved/Seconded by Ayling/Kitt:

THAT the Board accept the report of the Communications/Media Committee.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3.7 Mount Baker Secondary School Replacement Committee

Trustee Johns brought attention to the minor capital report submission that included Mount Baker Secondary School mechanical upgrades with an estimated cost of \$1,736,500. He also reported that the Board is still awaiting a response from the Education Minister regarding the request for the Minister to visit the communities of Fernie and Cranbrook (specifically Mount Baker Secondary School).

MOTION R-22-128

Moved/Seconded by Johns/McPhee:

THAT the Board accept the report of the Mount Baker Secondary School Replacement Committee.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3.8 Key City Theatre

Trustee Johns reported, on behalf of Trustee Turner and interim representative Doug Mitchell, that the Key City Theatre will hold its next meeting on September 22, 2022. A report will be available at the public meeting of the Board of Education of School District No. 5 (Southeast Kootenay) on October 11, 2022.

MOTION R-22-129

Moved/Seconded by Johns:

THAT the Board accept the report of the Key City Theatre.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3.9 Legacy of Learning

Trustee Johns gave an oral report on the Legacy of Learning Committee (the Committee).

- The Legacy of Learning website is being updated and will be more user friendly in the future.
- The Committee continues to search for a photo album documenting the history of Kootenay Orchards Elementary School.

- There will be a Legacy of Learning presentation at the Jaffray Fall Fair.

MOTION R-22-130

Moved/Seconded by Johns/Damstrom:

THAT the Board accept the Legacy of Learning report.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3.10 French Immersion Update

Trustee Whalen

Nil

3.11 Trustee Reports/Bouquets

Trustees reported on their activities since June.

- Trustee Bellina thanked Superintendent Johnson and Secretary Treasurer Taylor for the Framework for Enhancing Student Learning community engagement session on Thursday, September 8, 2022.

4. SECRETARY TREASURER'S REPORT TO THE BOARD

4.1 Updates

4.1.1 Student and Family Affordability Fund

Secretary Treasurer Taylor presented information on the recently announced provincial government's Student and Family Affordability fund. The purpose of this fund is to assist students and families with food scarcity, school supplies, sports, fees.

The process for per student allocation of these funds was discussed by the Board. Trustees McPhee and Johns stressed the importance of involving all stakeholders including indigenous partners and District Parent Advisory Council.

4.2 Recommendations

4.2.1 June 30, 2022 Audited Financial Statements

MOTION R-22-131

Moved/Seconded by Whalen/Kitt:

THAT the Board accept and approve the 2021/2022 BDO Canada Audited Financial Statements, Financial Statements Discussion and Analysis, and

approve the appropriations as disclosed in the Notes to the Financial Statements.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION R-22-132

Moved/Seconded by McPhee/Ayling:

THAT the Secretary Treasurer's report be accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT TO THE BOARD

5.1 Updates

5.1.1 Update on School Start Up and Activities

Superintendent Johnson updated the Board on school start up activities and enrolment. To date, the District has shown an increase in student Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) counts. This increase includes a number of immigrant families requiring English Language Learning support.

- The District Management team will continue to monitor class-size and composition on a daily basis until the end of September.

Superintendent Johnson also reported to the Board that they were awaiting direction from the Deputy Minister regarding the announced federal National Day of Mourning on September 19, 2022.

5.2 Recommendations

5.2.1 Framework for Enhancing Student Learning (FESL)

Superintendent Johnson reviewed the draft Framework for Enhancing Student Learning document and discussed the feedback and comments received from the engagement session held on September 8, 2022. Superintendent Johnson and Secretary Treasurer Taylor hosted the virtual session on September 8 to highlight the priorities of the draft Framework for Enhancing Student Learning (including numeracy, literacy and social emotional learning) and to seek stakeholder feedback.

The School District's approved Framework for Enhancing Student Learning document is due to the Ministry of Education and Child Care at the end of September.

MOTION R-22-133

Moved/Seconded by McPhee/Kitt:

THAT a special meeting be held on September 26, 2022 at 1:00 p.m., to approve and adopt the 2022/2023 Framework for Enhancing Student Learning document and to authorize the Superintendent to submit the Framework for Enhancing Student Learning to the Ministry of Education and Child Care.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION R-22-134

Moved/Seconded by Johns/Damstrom:

THAT the Superintendent's Report be accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

6.1 Updates

Nil

6.2 Recommendations

Nil

7. NEW BUSINESS

7.1 Business Arising from Delegations

Nil

7.2 Trades Funding Follow Up

MOTION R-22-135

Moved/Seconded by Johns/Whalen:

THAT the Board re-send the trades funding beyond graduation letter of September 2021 to the Minister of Education and Child Care and to the Minister of Advanced Education Skills and Training.

8. CLOSING ROUND

Trustees, District Management and local Union Presidents were offered an opportunity to share a final comment on the meeting.

9. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION/CORRESPONDENCE

9.1 Jaffray Speed Zone Email

9.2 September 23 - District Professional Development Day

- 9.3 September 30 - National Day for Truth and Reconciliation
- 9.4 September 30 - Framework for Enhancing Student Learning (FESL) due to Ministry of Education
- 9.5 October 15 - General Local Election
- 9.6 Date to be determined - Dr. Leroy Sloan at the Board Office
- 9.7 December 1-3 - Academy and New Trustee Orientation

10. QUESTION PERIOD

11. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION R-22-136

Moved/Seconded by Johns/Kitt:

THAT the September 13, 2022 regular public meeting of the Board of Education adjourn at 4:04 p.m.

What have we done at this meeting to help our students become more interested in school and to support them in their personal learning journey?

Frank Lento, Chairperson

Nick Taylor, Secretary Treasurer



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

**September 26, 2022, 1:00 p.m.
Cranbrook Board Office**

Present: Chairperson Frank Lento
Trustee Trina Ayling
Trustee Bev Bellina (remotely)
Trustee Krista Damstrom
Trustee Chris Johns
Trustee Kathryn Kitt (remotely)
Trustee Doug McPhee
Trustee Patricia Whalen

Regrets: Trustee Wendy Turner

Staff Present Superintendent Viveka Johnson
Secretary Treasurer Nick Taylor
Director of Instruction Human Resources Brent Reimer
Director of Student Learning and Aboriginal Education Jason Tichauer
Director of Student Learning and Innovation Diane Casault
Executive Assistant (Recorder) Jane Nixon

1. COMMENCEMENT OF MEETING

1.1 Call to Order

Chairperson Lento called the September 26, 2022 special public meeting of the Board of Education to order at 11:58 a.m.

1.2 Consideration and Approval of Agenda

MOTION R-22-137

Moved/Seconded by Johns/Whalen:

THAT the agenda for the special public meeting of the Board of Education of September 26, 2022 be approved as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. NEW BUSINESS

2.1 Framework for Enhancing Student Learning

Superintendent Johnson presented the 2022/2023 Framework for Enhancing Student Learning. Discussion took place and minor edits to the document were suggested.

MOTION R-22-138

Moved/Seconded by Ayling/Bellina:

THAT the Board adopt and approve the Framework for Enhancing Student Learning for 2022/2023 and authorize the Superintendent to submit to the Ministry of Education and Child Care.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. QUESTION PERIOD

Nil

4. ADJOURNMENT

Moved/Seconded by Johns/Whalen:

THAT the September 26, 2022 special public meeting of the Board of Education adjourn at 12:17 p.m.

Frank Lento, Chairperson

Nick Taylor, Secretary Treasurer



1.4. RECEIPT OF RECORDS OF CLOSED MEETINGS

In-camera Meetings:

September 13, 2022

- Secretary Treasurer's Report
 - Personnel
 - Land
 - Legal
 - Matters if in the opinion of the Board the public interest requires consideration in camera
- Superintendent's Report
 - Personnel
 - Legal

September 26, 2022

- Secretary Treasurer's Report
 - Personnel
 - Land
 - Legal
 - Matters if in the opinion of the Board the public interest requires consideration in camera

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Nick Taylor'.

Nick Taylor
Secretary Treasurer

2022-2023 Annual School Calendar

July 2022						
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- School Breaks
- Professional Development Days
- Stat Holidays
- Administrative Day
- Second Semester

Local School Calendar (School District No.5, Southeast Kootenay)

From the School Act, sections 87.01 and 87.02 and the new
School Calendar Regulation

Days in Session	180
Days of Instruction	173
Non-Instructional Professional Development Days	6
Administrative Day	1
First Day of School	Tuesday, September 6, 2022
National Day for Truth and Reconciliation	Friday, September 30, 2022
Thanksgiving Day	Monday, October 10, 2022
Remembrance Day	Friday, November 11, 2022
Christmas vacation period	Monday, December 19, 2022 - Monday, January 2, 2023
Schools reopen after Christmas vacation	Tuesday, January 3, 2023
First day of second semester	Monday, January 30, 2023
Family Day	Monday, February 20, 2023
Spring vacation period	Monday, March 20, 2023 to Friday, March 31, 2023
Schools reopen after Spring vacation	Monday, April 3, 2023
Good Friday	Friday, April 7, 2023
Easter Monday	Monday, April 10, 2023
Victoria Day	Monday, May 22, 2023
Last day of school for students	Thursday, June 29, 2023
Administrative Day	Friday, June 30, 2023
Minimum Hours of instruction (Kindergarten)	853 hrs
Minimum Hours of instruction (Elementary)	878 hrs
Minimum Hours of instruction (Secondary)	952 hrs
Minimum Hours of instruction per day (Elementary)	5 hrs 5 min
Minimum Hours of instruction per day (Secondary)	5 hrs 31 min

Professional Development Days	Who Attends	School Breaks	
		Semester 1	Semester 2
September 23 – District Day – Indigenous	For all contractual employees		
October 21 – Provincial Specialist Teachers' Association	Youth Care Worker mini conference Clerical Pro-D Day	November 25	February 17
February 3 – School Based	Education Assistant mini-conference Clerical Pro-D Day	December 19- January 2	March 20-31
April 24 – Regional Specialist Teachers' Association	Teacher led CUPE staff on approval of the principal	January 27	April 21
May 5 – School Based	CUPE staff on approval of the principal		May 19
June 2 – School Based	CUPE staff on approval of the principal		June 16

From: [Viveka Johnson](#)
To: [PVP.All.Staff](#); [Trustees.Staff](#); [District.Mgmt.Staff](#)
Cc: [CDTA](#); [lp01](#)
Subject: FW: Message from the Deputy Minister of Education and Child Care
Date: Wednesday, October 05, 2022 02:44:01 PM
Importance: High

See below:

From: Kinnear, Lindsay EDUC:EX <Lindsay.Kinnear@gov.bc.ca> **On Behalf Of** Zacharuk, Christina EDUC:EX
Sent: Wednesday, October 5, 2022 2:37 PM
Subject: Message from the Deputy Minister of Education and Child Care

CAUTION: This email originated from outside of School District 5. Please do not share information, click links or open attachments unless you recognize the sender email address and know the content is safe.

To Superintendents:

After careful consideration, the Ministry of Education and Child Care has made the decision to amend the School Calendar Regulation to reduce the number of hours of instruction by five hours for the 2022/23 school year. This amendment is to accommodate the closure of schools on September 19, 2022, for the National Day of Mourning to mark the passing of Queen Elizabeth II. Please note that while your school board is required to amend its school calendar, the Ministry will be waiving the consultation requirements for the amendment. As such, boards will not be required to make the amendment publicly available prior to taking effect, and the amendment can be effective retroactively. Any questions regarding the School Calendar Regulation amendment can be directed to EDUC.SchoolCalendars@gov.bc.ca.

I know the September 19th school closure was unexpected and may have been disruptive for some students, families, and staff. Given that we are still at the beginning of the school year, I am confident that you and your teams will work collaboratively and creatively, as you always do, to ensure students meet their learning outcomes for this school year. I also know that you will continue to proactively monitor student needs to ensure that they are receiving the supports they need to keep progressing on their learning journey.

I deeply appreciate your ongoing commitment to creating learning environments where every student can thrive and reach their full potential.

Sincerely,

Christina Zacharuk
Deputy Minister



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

September 26, 2022, 9:30 a.m.
Cranbrook Board Office

Committee Members in Attendance: Co-Chair Trustee Bev Bellina (remotely)
Co-Chair Trustee Patricia Whalen
Trustee Trina Ayling

Regrets: Trustee Wendy Turner

Board/District Staff in Attendance: Chairperson Frank Lento
Trustee Krista Damstrom
Trustee Chris Johns
Trustee Kathryn Kitt (remotely)
Trustee Doug McPhee
Superintendent Viveka Johnson
Secretary Treasurer Nick Taylor
Director of Student Learning and Innovation Diane Casault
District Principal Transformative Learning Jennifer Roberts
District Principal Student Services Darcy Verbeurgt
Executive Assistant (recorder) Amanda Skene

1. COMMENCEMENT OF MEETING

1.1 Call to Order

Co-Chair Trustee Bellina called the Advocacy Education Committee meeting of September 26, 2022, to order at 9:33 a.m.

1.2 Acknowledgement of Ktunaxa Territory

Co-Chair Trustee Bellina acknowledged that we have gathered on the Homelands of the Ktunaxa people.

1.3 Approval of Agenda

Moved/Seconded by Whalen/Ayling:

THAT the agenda of the Advocacy Education Committee meeting of September 26, 2022, be approved as circulated.

1.4 Approval of Minutes

Moved/Seconded by Whalen/Ayling:

THAT the minutes of the Advocacy Education Committee meeting of August 29, 2022, be approved as circulated.

2. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

3. PRESENTATIONS

3.1 Literacy

District Literacy Teacher Erin Jones presented the Framework for Enhancing Student Learning goal; students will meet or exceed literacy expectations for each grade level. Jones is supporting a district-wide grade two reading assessment realizing that the results have inconsistencies. Jones is following up with last year's grade twos in the spring of 2023. Jones will enable teachers in the district by focusing on the essential elements of literacy instruction and providing the appropriate intervention resources and supports for the higher-tiered learners.

3.2 Numeracy

District Numeracy Teacher Kathy Conlin presented the Framework for Enhancing Student Learning goal; students will meet or exceed numeracy expectations for each grade level. Conlin references Jo Boaler's book, *Mathematical Mindset*, which is rooted in the neuroscience of mathematical thinking and encourages teachers to allow their students to think and collaborate rather than focus on the algorithms. From this mindset, Conlin collaborated with two other teachers and has developed *13 Days of Math*. Conlin is working on a common mathematical assessment tool to have context for students' strengths and stretches. Conlin has created numeracy hubs for both teacher and parent resources.

3.3 Social-Emotional Learning Teacher

District Social-Emotional Learning Teacher Kim Richards presented her role in the Framework for Enhancing Student Learning priority on human and social development. Richards has started a pilot project with three schools: FJ Mitchell Elementary, TM Roberts Elementary, and Steeples Elementary. Richards is working with the schools and

teachers to understand the connection between a student's emotional self and their nervous system responses; allowing teachers to validate each student's feelings and traumatic experiences and how the students present themselves in the classroom setting.

4. REPORTS

4.1 DSAC Report

Trustee Bellina reported the next DSAC meeting will be held Wednesday, September 28, 2022.

4.2 DPAC Report

Trustee Johns reported he shared the motions that were passed at the September Board meeting, the presentation at the Select Standing Committee, and a reminder of the Board Elections in October.

4.3 Framework for Enhancing Student Learning (FESL)

Superintendent Johnson presented the revised Framework for Enhanced Student Learning document that is due to the Ministry of Education and Child Care on September 30, 2022. Johnson noted that the priorities remained the same throughout the document; however, added the need to focus on our Indigenous students and students with diverse needs.

5. NEW BUSINESS

6. ACTION ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

7. CORRESPONDENCE

7.1 Capital Funding

7.1.1 SD68 to Whiteside

Moved/Seconded by Whalen/Ayling:

RECOMMENDATION A:

THAT the Board send a letter supporting the concerns raised by School District No. 68 in their letter to Minister Whiteside of July 5, 2022, regarding capital funding, Ministry processes for operating and special purpose funding approvals and additional supports and strategies for mental health.

7.2 Deferred Maintenance

7.2.1 Whiteside to BCSTA

Moved/Seconded by Whalen/Ayling:

RECOMMENDATION B:

THAT the Board send a letter supporting the concerns raised by the BCSTA in their letter to Minister Whiteside of August 29, 2022, regarding an increase in school life-cycle funding.

7.3 General Local Elections

7.3.1 Ministry of Municipal Affairs to B.C. Police

Receive and File

7.4 Revised Certification Standards

7.4.1 BCTC

Receive and File

7.5 Salary Freeze

7.5.1 SD72 to Whiteside

Receive and File

7.6 Student and Family Affordability Fund

7.6.1 Whiteside to BCSTA Members

Receive and File

7.7 Implementation of Professional Standards

7.7.1 BCTC to Educational Partners

Receive and File

8. ADJOURNMENT

Moved/Seconded by Whalen/Ayling:

THAT the September 26, 2022, Advocacy Education Committee meeting be adjourned at 10:51 a.m.

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



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

**September 26, 2022, 12:00 p.m.
Cranbrook Board Office**

Committee Members in Attendance: Co-Chair Trustee Trina Ayling
Trustee Patricia Whalen
Trustee Doug McPhee

Regrets: Co-Chair Trustee Wendy Turner

Board/District Staff in Attendance: Chairperson Frank Lento
Trustee Bev Bellina (remotely)
Trustee Krista Damstrom
Trustee Chris Johns
Trustee Kathryn Kitt (remotely)
Superintendent Viveka Johnson
Secretary Treasurer Nick Taylor
Director of Student Learning and Aboriginal Education Jason Tichauer
Director of Student Learning and Innovation Diane Casault
Executive Assistant (Recorder) Jane Nixon

1. COMMENCEMENT OF MEETING

1.1 Call to Order

The Policy Committee meeting of September 26, 2022 was called to order at 11:32 a.m. by Co-Chair Trustee Ayling.

1.2 Approval of the Agenda

Moved/Seconded by McPhee/Whalen:

THAT the agenda for the Policy Committee meeting of September 26, 2022 be approved as circulated.

1.3 Approval of the Minutes

Approval of the minutes from August 29, 2022.

Moved/Seconded by Whalen/McPhee:

THAT the minutes of the Policy Committee meeting of August 29, 2022 be approved as circulated.

2. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

2.1 Review of Administrative Procedures

Director Tichauer reported that the district management team will start to work on reviewing and updating existing administrative procedures to reflect current language. The Board will be notified of changes made to procedures and will also be advised accordingly of policies within the Board Policy Handbook that require updating.

3. PRESENTATIONS

Nil

4. REPORTS

Nil

5. NEW BUSINESS

Nil

6. ACTION ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

6.1 Ongoing update of terminology in Board Policy Handbook and Administrative Procedures

7. CORRESPONDENCE

Nil

8. ADJOURNMENT

Moved/Seconded by McPhee/Whalen:

THAT the Policy Committee meeting of September 26, 2022 be adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

Have we channelled our data driven policies in directions that are positive, productive and equitable through our employees to our students?



**The Board of Education of
School District No.5 (Southeast Kootenay)**

MINUTES - STUDENT SERVICES COMMITTEE

**September 26, 2022, 11:00 a.m.
Cranbrook Board Office**

Committee Members in Attendance: Co-Chair Trustee Krista Damstrom
Co-Chair Trustee Doug McPhee
Trustee Chris Johns
Trustee Kathryn Kitt (remotely)

Board/District Staff in Attendance: Chairperson Frank Lento
Trustee Trina Ayling
Trustee Bev Bellina (remotely)
Trustee Patricia Whalen
Superintendent Viveka Johnson
Secretary Treasurer Nick Taylor
Director of Student Learning and Innovation Diane Casault
Director of Student Learning and Aboriginal Education Jason Tichauer
District Principal of Student Services Darcy Verbeurgt
Executive Assistant (recorder) Amanda Skene

1. COMMENCEMENT OF MEETING

1.1 Call to Order

The Student Services Committee meeting of September 26, 2022 was called to order at 11:00 a.m. by Co-Chair Trustee Mcphee.

1.2 Approval of the Agenda

Moved/Seconded by Johns/Damstrom:

THAT the agenda for the Student Services Committee meeting of September 26, 2022, be approved as circulated/amended.

1.3 Approval of the Minutes

Moved/Seconded by Johns/Damstrom:

THAT the minutes of the Student Services Committee meeting of August 29, 2022, be approved as circulated/amended.

2. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

2.1 Recruitment - Darcy Verbeurgt

2.1.1 Speech-Language Pathologists

District Principal of Student Services Darcy Verbeurgt reported:

- Currently operating 2.0 FTE short of the budgeted 6.5 FTE until November 1, 2022, when a 0.5 FTE employee returns
- Postings will continue for a 1.0 FTE continuing position and 0.5 FTE temporary position
- Current Speech-Language Pathologists' workload is distributed based on the needs and complexity of all schools

2.1.2 School Psychology

District Principal of Student Services Darcy Verbeurgt reported:

- Currently have a 0.9 FTE employee of the budgeted for 2.0 FTE
- Awarded a 1.0 FTE position to start after maternity leave in 16 months

2.1.3 District Behaviour Support Teacher

District Principal of Student Services Darcy Verbeurgt reported:

- Position is currently vacant
- Job description went under review by District Management and the Union, but still needs to be finalized and posted

ACTION: District Principal of Student Services Darcy Verbeurgt to provide an update at the next committee meeting, on October 24, 2022.

2.1.4 Education Assistants update

District Principal of Student Services Darcy Verbeurgt reported:

- All Education Assistant transfers were completed on September 9, 2022.
- Registrations of level 3 students have increased by five and level 2 students by six since that time.

3. PRESENTATIONS

4. REPORTS

5. NEW BUSINESS

6. ACTION ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

- District Principal of Student Services Darcy Verbeurgt to provide an update on all positions under 2.1 at the next committee meeting, on October 24, 2022.
- District Principal of Student Services Darcy Verbeurgt to present on tiers of instruction and intervention at the next committee meeting, on October 24, 2022.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

8. ADJOURNMENT

Moved/Seconded by Johns/Damstrom:

THAT the September 26, 2022, meeting of the Student Services Committee be adjourned at 11:25 a.m.

Have we effectively addressed the needs of our most vulnerable students and their families?



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

**September 26, 2022, 1:00 p.m.
Cranbrook Board Office**

Committee Members in Attendance:	Co-Chair Trustee Chris Johns Co-Chair Trustee Kathryn Kitt (remotely) Trustee Bev Bellina (remotely) Trustee Krista Damstrom
Board/District Staff in Attendance:	Chairperson Frank Lento Trustee Trina Ayling Trustee Doug McPhee Trustee Patricia Whalen Secretary Treasurer Nick Taylor Superintendent Viveka Johnson Director of Instruction and Human Resources Brent Reimer Director of Student Learning and Innovation Diane Casault Director of Student Learning and Aboriginal Education Jason Tichauer District Principal of Student Services Darcy Verbeurgt Executive Assistant (Recorder) Jane Nixon

1. COMMENCEMENT OF MEETING

1.1 Call to Order

The public Finance/Operations/Personnel Committee meeting of September 26, 2022 was called to order at 11:44 a.m. by Co-Chair Trustee Johns.

1.2 Approval of the Agenda

Moved/Seconded by Bellina/Damstrom:

THAT the agenda of the public Finance/Operations/Personnel Committee meeting of August 29, 2022 be approved as circulated.

1.3 Approval of the Minutes

Approval of the minutes from August 29, 2022.

Moved/Seconded by Damstrom/Bellina:

THAT the minutes of the public Finance/Operations/Personnel Committee meeting of August 29, 2022 be approved as circulated.

2. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Nil

3. PRESENTATIONS

Nil

4. REPORTS

4.1 Secretary Treasurer

4.1.1 Health and Safety

Brief COVID-19 update by Secretary Treasurer Taylor noting that Canadian border restrictions have been rescinded.

4.2 Superintendent

Superintendent Johnson reviewed:

- district-wide enrolment numbers and class sizes
- upcoming data collection deadline (1701) on September 29, 2022
- school staffing – retention and recruiting challenges
- educational programming and awareness for drug overdoses in the District communities

4.3 Regional District of East Kootenay Follow Up

Secretary Treasurer is still awaiting a response regarding Jaffray speed reduction.

5. NEW BUSINESS

5.1 Cranbrook Board Office Flagpoles

Two additional flagpoles are required at the Cranbrook Board Office. Secretary Treasurer Taylor confirmed that the new flagpoles have been ordered for the Ktunaxa and Metis flags.

6. ACTION ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

6.1 Staff Travel Summary Report Review

7. CORRESPONDENCE

7.1 District Occupational Health and Safety Committee Minutes

7.2 Finance Report

7.3 Trustee Professional Development

7.4 Staff Travel Summary

8. ADJOURNMENT

Moved/Seconded by Bellina/Damstrom:

THAT the public Finance/Operations/Personnel Committee meeting of September 26, 2022 adjourned at 11:58 a.m.

What services and resources did we provide to which students at what cost and resulting in what benefits?

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Minutes
Key City Theatre Society (KCTS) Board Meeting
September 21, 2022
Key City Theatre Green Room

In Attendance: – Galen Olstead, Landon Elliott, Michelle McCue, Russell Workun, Doug Mitchell, John Birrell, Jelena Jensen, via Skype Amanda Casey.

Regrets: Sue Leonard

Call to order at 6:16 PM

1. Adoption of Agenda

1.1. Review Of Minutes –Need to amend the next meeting date to October 17th 2022 at 7 1. pm. (AGM) Motion to accept agenda and minutes by John – seconded Russell. Carried.

1.2. Business Arising

We needed to schedule 1 more session for Mission Vision – it's set for Saturday October 15th from 10 am to 4 pm.

2. Fundraising and Development Report – presented by Brenda Burley. Brenda discussed the Western Arts Alliance Conference she and Galen attended. Highlights were The Indigenous open showcase, the Calgary Library Tour, networking, meeting Natalie Lue, President of CAPACOA. (Report filed in Drop Box under development/fundraising.) She presented the volunteer report discussing September 14th Volunteer orientation. She then gave a fundraising committee report discussing the success of the 50/50, sponsorships and a staff-lead donation drip. Both reports are also in Drop Box under development/fundraising.

3. Managing Director Report -Galen Presented July-September 2022 Manager's Report. Galen reported that he and the staff decided to try 2 editions of Live! Magazine, presenting current shows. There is a growing concern that, while the AAA shows are attracting audiences, the secondary ones are still having a difficult time getting people in the seats, now just her but province wide.

He also discussed the need for replacing the Artist Entry Doors and discussed exterior appearance of the building and redesigning the entrance to the theatre. He is contacting some architects to get some ideas. Full report in Drop Box.

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Motion to accept Galen's report as presented made by Russell, seconded by John. Carried.

4. Galen had 3 requests.

4.1 Bakau Consulting Internal / External Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Audit

Request: Allocate \$10,000 from reserves to compliment the BC Arts Council Funding in order to undertake both an Internal and External Bakau Equity Audit. Motion to approve request made by John, second Michelle. Carried.

4.2: Stage Risers – Pie Shaped Connectors Request: To allocate \$15,000 from reserves for the purchase of specialized pie shaped staging units. Motion to approve request made by John, second Jelena. Carried.

4.3: Front of House Garbage Cans. Request: To allocate \$6,000 from reserves for the purchase of five lobby garbage and recycling bins and seven bathroom waste receptacles. Motion to approve made by John, second Michelle. Carried.

5. Standing Committee Reports

5.1. Finance Risk Management Committee

Presented by John – July and August. It was discussed that it would be time to do a full audit. John made a motion requesting his report accepted as presented, second Amanda. Carried.

5.2 Governance Committee-nil

5.3 Human Resources Committee -nil

5.4 Building Committee -nil

5.5 Steering Committee -nil

5.6 Mission Statement Committee -set meeting for October 15th, 2022

6. New Business

6.1 AGM discussed. It will be held in the lobby of Key City Theatre at 7 pm on October 17th, 2022. Elections will take place immediately following. Amanda enquired how to nominate – it can be done ahead of time, or it can also take place in the moment at the meeting.

7. Adjournment 7:31 pm -Michelle.

Next Meeting October 17th at 7 pm Key City Theatre Lobby.



SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 5
(SOUTHEAST KOOTENAY)

A MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT



Dear students, staff, parents and caregivers:

I cannot believe we are into October! September has been a busy month for our schools with open houses, professional development for our staff and an unexpected memorial day for Queen Elizabeth II.

We are fortunate to not be reporting or tracking COVID-19 cases anymore; however, I think we have all learned the importance of staying home if you are sick. The BCCDC still has guidelines around testing positive that you can check [here](#). The District still has rapid tests available for families, if you would like some please speak with your school. We are happy to provide you with tests.

The Framework for Enhancing Student Learning has been approved by the board and submitted to the Ministry of Education and Child Care (MOECC). We are in year two of the [Framework](#) and are always looking for feedback. Please check it out and feel free to ask questions. We are very excited to have continued support from our District Literacy Teacher, Erin Jones, and have expanded our team to include a District Numeracy Teacher, Kathy Conlin and a district Social-Emotional Learning Teacher, Kim Richards.

Each school also has a Growth Plan that mirrors the District's Framework. School goals are unique to each building's context and data story. These can be found on each school's website, as well as the [District's](#). This spring we will host community-based engagement nights but in the meantime feel free to reach out and ask questions. I encourage you to join your school's Parent Advisory Council (PAC) or the District Parent Advisory Council (DPAC) as it is a great, low-pressure, way to stay informed and be involved.

Please continue to share your wonderful stories, videos and photos of your students, staff and schools as we love showcasing all the great work that is happening on our [Facebook](#) page. We look forward to seeing pictures from our annual [Take Me Outside](#) event coming up on October 19th.

The MOECC has given each district a [Student and Family Affordability Fund](#) that is targeted to reduce expenses for families in need. Please reach out to your schools if you need support with things like school supplies, food security and extracurricular costs.

We have had some questions and confusion about our [School District Calendar](#). Please refer to the approved calendar that is on our website. We will be posting an adjustment for the second semester as the Regional Specialist Association (RSA) meeting is on April 24th, not the 17th, this will be up for consultation with you, our stakeholders, for 30 days before the board can approve the change.

Lastly, please mark your calendars for the upcoming municipal election on October 15th. We are very fortunate to have nine dedicated trustees working for our district. This is your opportunity to be part of this process and have a say in the District's direction.

Viveka



LITERACY

September has been a busy month for Literacy in School District No. 5. Any K-3 teachers who were interested in learning more about the Heggerty Phonemic Awareness program were invited to attend a one-hour training session in which they not only learned about the program but left with a copy of the resource and a one-year membership to the Heggerty online platform. Teachers were excited to learn about and start using this resource which will support critical instruction in phonemic awareness for our youngest learners. So far about 50 teachers across the district have attended the training and received their resources.

Teachers from TM Roberts Elementary School joined Erin Jones, District Literacy Support Teacher to explore some essential components of early reading instruction. Teachers were introduced to some of the elements in the Science of Reading as well as research-based routines for developing essential word reading skills. They explored resources and participated in rich discussions and activities. Feedback from the session was very positive.

NEWS FROM THE DRC

Thank you to Isabella Dicken Elementary School in Fernie for inviting the DRC Librarian, Maxine Malmberg, to their September staff meeting. She was able to showcase the DRC “browsing binder”, new French Immersion resources, and the BC Digital Classroom.

Teachers have requested the DRC stock this classic... so we have! The DRC library has a class set of 30 novels ready for the Middle Years or High School class to discover S.E. Hinton’s timeless story of peer pressure, rebellion, and identity in this 1967 quintessential coming-of-age story. Book it now!

Our circulation list has gone out to teachers throughout the district, and we are excited to start sending print and electronic magazines and journals to teachers who have signed up.

Happy Reading!

NUMERACY

This fall, many grade 1-6 teachers enthusiastically implemented The First 13 Days of Math in their classrooms with great success. The resource was created to help teachers create a positive classroom culture towards collaboration and mathematical thinking. Collaboration between students, emphasis on justifying thinking, multiple answers and strategies, play and inquiry with math concepts, and reflection of learning are all strengths of the resource. The resource can be found on our district portal under the numeracy icon.



GRADE 5/6 LEGO ROBOTICS ARCTIC RIDE AND TOWER CHALLENGE

Students in Ms. Bisson's grade 5/6 class from Rocky Mountain Elementary School explored the new Lego Essentials Robotics kits at the Fernie Design Lab. They designed and modified a coding program for a vehicle that could travel along a path using 90-degree turns. Students broke the problem down into smaller parts (computational thinking - decomposition) and learned how to sequence events in a block-based coding platform. They also took part in a tower design challenge to build the tallest and most aesthetic-looking tower using Lego. This challenged student's communication and problem-solving skills under pressure as they only had 5 minutes to complete the tower.



NURSING PRACTICUM STUDENTS

School District No. 5 has partnered with the College of the Rockies to provide practicum experience to nursing students in their program.

First-year nursing students will deliver the BCCDC Handwashing Program (previously, "Do Bugs Need Drugs?") to kindergarten and/or K-1 split classes in all Cranbrook elementary schools.

Second-year nursing students will also be delivering the BCCDC Handwashing Program to grade 2 and/or 1/2 or 2/3 split classes at Amy Woodland, Kootenay Orchards, Pinewood, Steeples and T.M. Roberts elementary schools.

Third-year nursing students will be in a few of our schools, on Wednesdays and Thursdays each week from September 6th through to December 2nd. These nursing students will be at Jaffray Elementary Junior Secondary School, Kootenay Orchards Elementary, Laurie Middle School and Parkland Middle School.

FRENCH IMMERSION GRANT

Our French teacher recruitment and retention project application for TTOC and Curriculum and Literacy Support time have been partially approved by the federal government.

We will be receiving funding to hire a 1.0 FTE itinerant French Immersion teacher in SD5. This funding will be available in both the 2022-2023 and 2023-2024 school years.

HUMAN RESOURCES

We are excited to welcome back many of the TTOCs and CUPE casuals from previous years. As well, we have been able to see many new faces that are joining us for their first year in a temporary, permanent, or casual role.

Our call-out department continues to be very busy assisting employees in getting activated for the upcoming school year.

We had a very successful teacher/TTOC orientation at Laurie Middle School that saw our largest crowd ever of just over 50 attendees. This day is always well received by our many new hires and includes presentations by several departments and a BCTF Boundaries Workshop in the afternoon presented by Shelly Balfour, CFTA co-chair. HR was also able to meet in person with our many school secretaries while we went over the importance of employee schedules, CUPE Casual and TTOC sign-in sheets at Parkland Middle School. We were also joined by many principals and vice principals across the district.

HR also spent considerable time this summer implementing a new electronic file system for all our new hires. We are excited to start moving towards an electronic filing system which will replace the paper employment files.



STRONGSTART CENTRES

Three of our four StrongStart Centres opened for the 2022-2023 school year on September 20th. We are thrilled to have Christine Watson who has returned with her Early Childhood Education certificate (ECE) to facilitate the centre at Frank J Mitchell Elementary School. Nicole Green has taken over the role of facilitator at the Amy Woodland and Steeples centres. Nicole worked with Lisa Lancaster at the centres last year. We are still looking for a facilitator at our Fernie StrongStart Centre. If you know of anyone who would be a good fit, please contact Lauren Fox at the Fernie Women's Resource Centre.

lauren@ferniewomenscentre.com.



CHILDHOOD EXPERIENCES QUESTIONNAIRE

The Childhood Experiences Questionnaire (CHEQ) led by UBC is well underway in our kindergarten classes in our district. Information reported by parents and caregivers on the CHEQ helps communities understand how to support children and families before starting kindergarten. It also helps schools with individual, classroom and school level planning.

SEY2KT

This year, we are happy to be part of the Strengthening Early Years to Kindergarten Transitions (SEY2KT) Project! This project works with districts and community sites focusing on developing guidelines, models, and district and community partnerships to ensure children and their families experience coherent transitions from community-based early learning experiences to kindergarten.



WALKING TOGETHER ON THE PATH OF TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION



On Friday, September 23, we had a successful Professional Development Day led by the Indigenous Education department and local partners. We were honoured to have had so much local knowledge and wisdom shared with all staff across the school district. Eighteen of our twenty workshops were led by local people! As well, we feel particularly grateful to have four current or former Nasu?kins share their time with us. After several years of the pandemic dictating that we had to gather primarily online, we were happy to have sessions based at ?aqam, Mount Baker Secondary, Laurie and Parkland Middle Schools, Jaffray School, Fernie Secondary and Sparwood Secondary. We are now in the process of gathering and analyzing the feedback data to help shape our days moving forward. A special thanks to Faye O'Neil and the team of folks who planned, coordinated and led this important work.

Hopefully, the pictures will do a decent job of capturing the richness of the sessions!

A HUGE THANK YOU TO OUR PRESENTERS

KATHRYN TENEESE
SUK?NI SINGERS AND DRUM GROUP

MARA NELSON
PETER HUTCHINSON
?AQAMNIK SCHOOL
CHRYSTAL WILLIAMS

ALFRED JOSEPH
SOPHIE PIERRE
SMOKII SUMAC
JOE PIERRE & JOHANNA KINSMAN
KA·KIN NUMA DRUMMERS

DOROTHY RATCH
FAYE O'NEIL, KERRY PETERS & MORGAN DILTS
CARMEN COLLINGS

AMY REID & JOSH LOCKHART
CHAD LUKE

NUPQU NATIVE PLANTS
CAYTLYN LUKE

LEANNA GRAVELLE
TANIA BREWER & SARAH GRAVELLE

