



**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