



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

MINUTES - REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING

**September 14, 2021, 3:00 p.m.
Cranbrook Board Office**

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

Staff Present Superintendent Silke Yardley
Secretary Treasurer Alan Rice
Secretary Treasurer Nick Taylor (Staff as of Oct 1) (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/Transformative Learning Jennifer Roberts (remotely)
Executive Assistant (recorder) Sandy Gronlund

1. COMMENCEMENT OF MEETING

1.1 Call to Order

Chairperson Lento called the September 14, 2021, regular public meeting of the Board of Education to order at 3:05 p.m.

1.2 Greeting

Chair Lento acknowledged that we have gathered here in the Homelands of the Ktunaxa people and that it was a special honour and privilege for him to welcome Bonnie Harvey to help get the school year off to a great start.

1.3 Chairperson's Opening Remarks and Recognitions

- A special welcome to Nick Taylor, our new Secretary Treasurer
- Congratulations to Patti Pocha as the new CUPE President
- Great to have Shelley Balfour, CDTA President, back and looking forward to working with Chris Kielpinski, FDTA President again this year

- Welcome to Trevor Crawley from the Townsman

1.4 Opening Round

Members of the Board and District Management shared personal reflections.

1.5 Consideration and Approval of Agenda

MOTION R-21-124

Moved/Seconded by Johns/Ayling:

THAT the agenda for the regular public meeting of the Board of Education of September 14, 2021, be approved as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1.6 Approval of the Minutes

Minutes of the Public meeting of the Board of Education of June 15, 2021.

MOTION R-21-125

Moved/Seconded by Johns/Turner:

THAT the minutes of the regular public meeting of the Board of Education of June 15, 2021, be approved as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1.7 Receipt of Records of Closed Meetings

MOTION R-21-126

Moved/Seconded by Ayling/Whalen:

THAT the Board accept the closed records of the in-camera meeting of the Board of Education of June 15, 2021.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1.8 Business Arising from Previous Minutes

- Following past requests and correspondence regarding speed limits in Jaffray, we expand our pursuit of a review of all traffic corridors in the district regarding student safety.

2. RECEIVING OF DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

Nil.

3. COMMITTEE REPORTS/TRUSTEE REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

3.1 Advocacy/Education Committee

Co-chair Trustee Ayling reviewed the minutes of the August 30, 2021, meeting of the Advocacy/Education Committee.

MOTION R-21-127

Moved/Seconded by Kitt/Bellina:

THAT the Board send the trades funding letter to the Minister of Education and the Minister of Advanced Education & Skills Training.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION R-21-128

Moved/Seconded by Ayling/McPhee:

THAT the Board approve the amended FESL and send to the Ministry of Education.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION R-21-129

Moved/Seconded by Ayling/Turner:

THAT the correspondence item returns to the previous process where all correspondence received is listed on the agendas. The correspondence from August's Advocacy/Education Committee meeting is to be forwarded to the September Advocacy/Education Committee meeting along with any new items.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION R-21-130

Moved/Seconded by Ayling/Damstrom:

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3.2 Policy Committee

Co-chair Trustee Turner reviewed the minutes of the August 30, 2021, meeting of the Policy Committee.

MOTION R-21-131

Moved/Seconded by Turner/McPhee:

THAT the Board accept the report of the Policy Committee.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3.3 Student Services Committee

Co-chair Trustee McPhee reviewed the minutes of the August 30, 2021, meeting of the Student Services Committee.

MOTION R-21-132

Moved/Seconded by McPhee/Damstrom:

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3.4 Finance/Operations/Personnel Committee

Co-chair Trustee Kitt reviewed the minutes of the August 30, 2021, meeting of the Finance/Operations/Personnel Committee.

MOTION R-21-133

Moved/Seconded by Kitt/Johns:

THAT the Board approve the meeting locations in the 2021-22 Board and Committee Meeting Schedule.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Trustee Johns thanked everyone involved in supporting the presentation he gave to the Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services (SSCGFS) August 31, 2021.

MOTION R-21-134

Moved/Seconded by Johns/Whalen:

THAT the Board accept the Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services (SSCGFS) record of submission and forward Trustee Johns's presentation to the BCSTA for consideration in their submission.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION R-21-135

Moved/Seconded by Kitt/Johns:

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3.5 BCSTA /Provincial Council

Trustee Bellina reported that:

- The Kootenay Boundary Branch AGM will take place remotely on September 26, 2021, with a meeting link to be sent to those who have registered.
- The Provincial Council Meeting will be via Zoom on October 23, 2021.

MOTION R-21-136

Moved/Seconded by Bellina/Turner:

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3.6 Communications/Media Committee

Trustee Ayling reported sending out the media release on our new Secretary Treasurer, Nick Taylor.

MOTION R-21-137

Moved/Seconded by Ayling/Damstrom:

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3.7 Mount Baker Secondary School Replacement Committee

Trustee Johns had no report as he is waiting for the architect plan and report.

MOTION R-21-138

Moved/Seconded by Johns/Damstrom:

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3.8 Key City Theatre

Trustee McPhee gave a brief update on the Key City Theatre.

- the Board did not meet over the summer
- they did apply for funding for an elevator to be installed on the building
- the renovations are moving along with an anticipated start up of the theatre by mid October

MOTION R-21-139

Moved/Seconded by McPhee/Bellina:

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3.9 Legacy of Learning

Trustee Johns advised the Board on the amount of school artifacts being stored at the Board office as the schools require the extra room. We need to look at what type of options we have for storing artifacts such as trophies and framed pictures. Trustee Johns is proposing to put together an Ad Hoc committee with members from the district and the Columbia Institute.

Chair Lento will bring this forward to September 27, 2021, with recommendations for the Ad Hoc Committee.

MOTION R-21-140

Moved/Seconded by Johns/Ayling:

THAT the Board accept the Legacy of Learning report.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3.10 French Advisory Committee

Trustee Whalen advised the Board that members are in place to continue the French Advisory Committee moving forward.

MOTION R-21-141

Moved/Seconded by Whalen/Damstrom:

THAT the Board accept the French Advisory Committee report.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3.11 Trustee Reports

Trustees reported on their activities for the month.

4. SECRETARY TREASURER'S REPORT TO THE BOARD

4.1 Updates

Secretary Treasurer Rice briefed the Board on the COVID-19 working group that continues to meet with representation from all stakeholders. This working group looks at

all safety protocols coming from the Ministry and Provincial Health Officer to be sure of appropriate communication.

4.2 Recommendations

4.2.1 Employee Private Vehicle Reimbursement

Secretary Treasurer Rice suggested to the Board that each year the kilometer rate across the district automatically align with the CFTA Collective Agreement effective date as per policy.

MOTION R-21-142

Moved/Seconded by McPhee/Bellina:

THAT the private vehicle reimbursement for kilometers for all employees and directors of the district be updated on an annual basis, effective July 1 of each year, to coincide with the reimbursement rate disclosed in the CFTA Collective Agreement.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4.2.2 June 30, 2021, Audited Financial Statements

Secretary Treasurer Rice thanked his finance and payroll department for their work on the Financial Statements and for the support they provided to the BDO auditors.

MOTION R-21-143

Moved/Seconded by McPhee/Whalen:

THAT the Board accept and approve the 2020/2021 BDO Canada Audited Financial Statements and approve the appropriations as disclosed in the notes of the Financial Statements.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION R-21-144

Moved/Seconded by McPhee/Damstrom:

THAT the Secretary Treasurer's Report to the Board of Education be accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT TO THE BOARD

The Pathway's report can be found on the School District's website at www.sd5.bc.ca.

5.1 Updates

- Framework for Enhancing Student Learning (FESL)
- Literacy Support Teacher
- School Growth Plans
- Interior Health Vaccination clinics
- COVID-19 communication
- We have most of our students back in our brick and mortar schools this year.
- Future Health and Safety

- Tobacco Plains

5.2 Recommendations

Nil.

MOTION R-21-145

Moved/Seconded by Johns/Kitt:

THAT the Superintendent's Report to the Board of Education be accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Chair Lento acknowledged that Superintendent Yardley is the BC Schools Superintendent Association (BCSSA) – Kootenay Boundary Branch (KBB) Chapter President. This is a testimony of her leadership.

- Board Working Session on September 23rd
- Partners Liaison meetings October 14th and 15th
- Trustee Academy in December 2021
- StrongStart, Child Care, Ready Set Learn, and K/K-3
- Child Care in Elkford, Sparwood, South Country and Cranbrook will be reviewed regarding the Ministry mandate

7. NEW BUSINESS

7.1 Business Arising from Delegations

Nil

8. CLOSING ROUND

Members of the Board and District Management each shared a final comment on the meeting.

9. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION/CORRESPONDENCE

10. QUESTION PERIOD

11. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION R-21-146

Moved/Seconded by Turner/Damstrom:

THAT the September 14, 2021, regular public meeting of the Board of Education adjourned at 4:25 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Frank Lento, Chairperson

Nick Taylor, Secretary Treasurer