



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

**September 29, 2014, 11:00 a.m.  
Board Office**

Committee Members  
in Attendance: Co-Chair Trustee Johns  
Trustee Ayling  
Trustee Whalen

Regrets: Co-Chair Trustee Besanger

Board/District Staff in  
Attendance: Trustee Bellina  
Trustee Brown  
Trustee Damstrom  
Chairperson Lento  
L. Hauptman, Superintendent of Schools  
D. Casault, Director of Student Learning and Innovation  
J. Paetz, Executive Assistant (Recorder)

**1. COMMENCEMENT OF MEETING**

**1.1. Call to Order**

The Student Services meeting of September 29, 2014 was called to order at 11:00 a.m. by Co-chair Johns.

**1.2. Approval of the Agenda  
SS-2014-11**

M/S that the agenda for the Student Services Meeting of September 29, 2014 be approved with the following additions:

4.2 SPED Innovation Grant Projects  
4.3 Trustee Questions

**CARRIED**

**1.3. Approval of the Minutes**

Discussion included:

Alternate Review

- Mrs. Casault will check to ensure that the full report was sent to all Trustees.
- The presentation to the Board will be scheduled for the November Board meeting.

Pro-D Days/Funding for Education Assistants

- District management will review pro-d days for Education Assistants, Youth Care Workers and Aboriginal Education Support Workers and report back at the October meeting.

**SS-2014-12**

M/S that the minutes of the Student Services meeting of May 26, 2014 be approved as circulated.

**CARRIED**

**2. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

**2.1. Presentation - Autism Services in SD5**

Due to job action, this item has been tabled to the October meeting.

**2.2. Presentation - Alternate Programs 3 Year Implementation Plan**

As previously discussed, the Alternate Review presentation will be done at the Board meeting on November 12th.

**3. CORRESPONDENCE AND/OR NEW ITEMS**

**3.1. Sound Connections Update**

- Annette and Richard Rogers, founders of the Sound Connections Program, have left the district
- Sue Robertson, SLP, and Lisa Whitlock, SLP Education Assistant, are very well versed and will be providing training for staff on October 29<sup>th</sup>
- the program is not implemented throughout the district 100% (not always enough time for SLP's to do it)
- District Management will review the program/data as we go through the current year to determine how we will proceed in the future
- Trustees Brown and Bellina requested a letter be sent thanking Annette for all her work over the years and for presenting at the Kootenay Boundary Branch meeting.

**3.2. Update from Summer BC-CASE**

- not a lot of new information
- excellent presentation by Bruce Bearisto on teaching to diversity (Mr. Bearisto will also be presenting at the BCSSA meeting in Nakusp later this month.)
- discussions regarding de-categorization are happening - will probably hear more about this later in the year.

**4. INFORMATON ITEMS**

**4.1. Provincial Update - CUPE Staff Development**

The new Collective Agreement was just ratified yesterday so this information is not ready yet.

#### **4.2. Trustee Questions**

Questions regarding Education Assistants were referred to Mr. Reimer.

iPads – there are great programs available for special education students.  
Where is the district with regard to iPads?

- The Technology Plan is working towards a BYOD phase (bring your own device).
- Some schools have purchased class sets of iPads.
- Problems with the internet systems being bogged down when everyone is on the internet at the same time (infrastructure has not been upgrade in all schools yet).
- Looking at how to manage all these BYO devices globally as a district, as opposed to individual schools.
- SET BC provided a grant last year and an iPad project was done by Nadine Steele, Student Services Coordinator.

#### **4.3. SPED Innovation Grant Projects**

Mrs. Therrien, DPAC, recently heard about some exciting projects that were happening in the Burnaby school district (one of the districts who received a Spec. Ed. Innovation Grant) and wondered if there was a way to find out more information about what they are doing.

District Management will look for updates about the projects (if the information is still available).

#### **5. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.