

A School District No. 8 (Kootenay Lake) Education Committee of the Whole meeting was held in the Board Room, 570 Johnstone Road, Nelson, B.C. on Tuesday, November 28, 2017 at 2:34 P.M.

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Trustees: C. Bendig, L. Trenaman, S. Nazaroff, B. Wright, D. Lang,  
R. Huscroft, B. Maslechko

Also Present: C. Perkins, Superintendent  
K. Morris, Secretary-Treasurer  
L. Fehr, Director of Innovative Learning Services  
B. Eaton, Director of Independent Learning Services  
M. Hurley, Acting Director of Human Resources  
S. Kalabis, KLPVPA  
A. Lawrence, KLTF  
M. Bennett, CUPE  
A. Early, CUPE  
M. Wilson, DPAC  
T. Rubak, DPAC

**VIDEO CONFERENCE**

**IN CRESTON:** H. Suttie, Trustee (left at 3:05pm)

**REGRETS:** C. Beebe, Trustee  
L. Brown, Director of Operations  
B. MacLean, Acting Director of Operations  
T. Malloff, KLPVPA

**ALSO PRESENT:** W. Makortoff, Executive Assistant

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Bendig called the meeting to order at 2:34 P.M.

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF ABORIGINAL TERRITORY**

We acknowledge, respect and honour the First Nations in whose traditional territories the Kootenay Lake School District operates and all Aboriginal people residing within the boundaries of School District #8.

**INSERTIONS/DELETIONS TO PROPOSED AGENDA**

Addition: Provincial Poverty Consultation

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**Moved** by Trustee Trenaman, seconded by Trustee Wright  
**AND RESOLVED THAT:**

The Education Committee of the Whole Agenda for the November 28, 2017 meeting be adopted as amended.

## **PRESENTATION**

Nil

## **OPPORTUNITY FOR COMMENTS BY THE PUBLIC**

Nil

## **ADOPTION OF EDUCATION COMMITTEE MINUTES**

**Moved** by Trustee Wright, seconded by Director Eaton  
AND RESOLVED THAT:

The Education Committee of the Whole Minutes from the October 24, 2017 meeting, be adopted as circulated.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

Nil

## **CELEBRATION OF LEARNING STORIES OF ACADEMIC SUCCESS, CREATIVITY AND IMAGINATION, CITIZENSHIP, RESILIENCY**

S. Kalabis; three SSS students participated in the International sponsored trip to China. It is quite amazing how this trip really has been transformative for these students. The possibilities that this trip has instilled in these students is inspiring.

Trustee Nazaroff; attended the trustee academy in Vancouver. It was 4 days of valuable learning. The big take away, was the importance of play and down time, for students, teacher and for all of us.

Trustee Lang, after the International presentation, I saw the Mom of one of our Kaslo students, and was proud to tell her what an amazing job her daughter did. This mother than explained that her daughter is usually so nervous and that when she came home she was so excited because she felt that she had nailed her presentation.

Director Fehr; twelve people (representing each of our secondary schools) attended the Career Education Society conference this year. There was a lot of excitement, great collaboration and new connections were made among all attendees. The real creativity and imagination happened in how everyone managed to get home.

Trustee Bendig; CBESS went from having no athletics in their school and wanting to change that, to having an award winning Track and Field team. One student in particular had been practicing his long jump on the beach in his work boots, as that was what was available and then went on to place first or second in the West Kootenay track meet.

Trustee Bendig; attended the trustee academy in Vancouver and was quite moved by Ivan Coyote's presentation, the way he conveyed his story and the importance of using our language in regard to gender identification.

Director Eaton; had the privilege of shadowing one of our Occupational Therapists who helped a student use his new electric wheelchair for the first time. The student has already named his wheelchair Flash. It was amazing to how adept at using the new chair this student became in a very short period of time.

Director Eaton; is happy to celebrate that a former SD8 graduate has won the Red Bull Rampage for the 3<sup>rd</sup> time in 2017.

### **2015-2018 SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLANS – YEAR THREE**

Director Fehr explained the basis of the school improvement plans, and that we are in the final year of our three year plans. The committee members were then asked break out in to groups of two or three to review the individual School Improvement Plans.

The committee was asked to highlight a celebration from each school to share as well as provide feedback on the following questions:

1. How are we addressing the foundational areas of numeracy, literacy and graduation rates through this plan?
2. What data/evidence do you see in this plan?
3. What data/evidence would you like to see in this plan?
4. What improvement do you see in student data over the three-year plan?

The committee then reconvened for a round-table discussion and sharing of the celebrations from each school improvement plan.

A round table discussion was held about the next three year plan.

**Moved** by Secretary Treasurer Morris, seconded by Trustee Huscroft  
AND RESOLVED THAT:

It be recommended to the Board that the 2015-2018 School Improvement Plans – Year Three, be approved.

Abstention – M. Wilson

**Moved** by Director Fehr, seconded by Trustee Trenaman  
AND RESOLVED THAT:

The Board Meeting be extended by 6 minutes.

By consensus, the Education Committee of the Whole requests that District staff provide direct instructions to the schools on providing explicit evidence of learning over time in the next three year plan.

### **PROVINCIAL POVERTY CONSULTATION**

Chair Bendig shared with the committee that the new government is moving forward with a poverty reduction strategy and is hosting a community meeting in Nelson on February 9, 2018.

For the January Education Committee of the Whole meeting we will be inviting community members and students to join us as we prepare a submission.

**QUESTION PERIOD**


Nil

**NEXT MEETING DATE**

The next Education Committee of the Whole Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday January 23, 2018 at 2:30 P.M. at the Nelson Board Office.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 4:14 P.M.

  
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Chair Bendig

  
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Superintendent Perkins