

**EDUCATION COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
MEETING MINUTES**

TUESDAY, MARCH 9, 2021

2:30 PM (PT) – 4:00 PM (PT)

[Zoom](#) - Meeting ID: 684 5368 8313 - Passcode: 953306

BOARD:

L. Trenaman (*via video conference*)
S. Walsh (*via video conference*)
D. Lang (*via video conference*)
S. Chew (*via video conference*)
A. Gribbin (*via video conference*)
S. Nazaroff (*via video conference*)
B. Coons (*via video conference*)
C. Beebe (*via video conference*)

DISTRICT STAFF:

C. Perkins, Superintendent (*via video conference*)
M. McLellan, Secretary-Treasurer (*via video conference*)
D. Holitzki, Director of Inclusion (*via video conference*)
N. Howald, Director of Information Technology (*via video conference*)
N. Ross, District Principal (*via video conference*)
G. Higginbottom, District Principal (*via video conference*)
J. Schmidt, District Principal (*via video conference*)
R. Simpson, District Principal (*via video conference*)
T. Malloff, District Principal (*via video conference*)
J. Smith, IT Lead Hand (*via video conference*)
N. Lynn, Learning Innovator (*via video conference*)

PARTNERS:

S. Kalabis, KLPVPA (*via video conference*)
L. Mackay, KLPVPA (*via video conference*)
M. Bennet, CUPE (*via video conference*)
R. Bens, CUPE Alternate (*via video conference*)
C. Ziefflie, KLTF (*via video conference*)
C. Bendig, KLTF (NDTA) (*via video conference*)
A. Meyer, DPAC (*via video conference*)

REGRETS:

B. Maslechko, Trustee
B. MacLean, Director of Operations
B. Eaton, Director of Innovative Learning
D. Kunzelman, KLTF
A. Early, CUPE

GUESTS:

C. Wilson, KLTF (*via video conference*)
T. Stokes, DPAC (*via video conference*)

1. Call to Order

Committee Chair called the meeting to order at 2:31 pm

2. 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 No. 8.

3. Election of Education Committee of the Whole Chair

Nominations were called for Education Committee of the Whole Chair.

Trustee Lang nominated Trustee Chew.

Trustee Chew accepted the nomination.

No other nominations.

Trustee Chew will become the new Education Committee of the Whole Chair by acclamation.

4. Destruction of Ballots (Electronic Voting)

The electronic voting information for the selection of Chair of the Education Committee of the Whole, was deleted

5. Insertions/Deletions to proposed Agenda

CUPE representative questioned if the subjects of secondary literacy/numeracy/capstone and anti-racism would be discussed as outlined in the EDCOW annual plan.

Superintendent informed the committee that the agenda was changed to current framework and the topics outlined in the annual plan would be brought forward on the May 2021 EDCOW agenda.

6. Adoption of Agenda

UPON a motion made and seconded it was **RESOLVED**:

THAT the agenda of the March 9, 2021 meeting, **BE ADOPTED**, as circulated.

7. Receiving Presentations: Nil

8. Opportunity for Comments by the Public: Nil

9. Consent Package: Nil

10. Adoption of Minutes

UPON a motion made and seconded it was **RESOLVED**:

THAT the minutes from the November 10, 2020 Education Committee of the Whole meeting **BE ADOPTED** as amended.

11. Old Business: Nil

12. New Business

A. Continuous Improvement Project – Superintendent Perkins and District Principals

i. Understanding School Data

ii. 19 20 Framework for Enhancing Student Learning

iii. Strategic Plan

Superintendent provided an overview of the Continuous Improvement Project. SD8 along with six other districts is a pilot district to work with the Ministry this year to perfect the project process. SD8 will also be involved next year. SD8 has reviewed its data, strategic plan and FESL document with the Ministry. SD8 is ahead of many other districts as we have engaged with partners and have a strategic plan in place. Superintendent shared a presentation on data, providing an overview of the process that district staff are undergoing in the FESL process. SD8 aims to make decision that are data and research driven.

Trustee asked if the presentation was showing SD8 examples?

Superintendent shared that the examples are from 19/20 and is the most currently data we have. Superintendent shared that SD8 is a pilot district for graduation assessment. Satisfaction surveys are currently being conducted. When looking at data we are looking for trends. When looking at performance standards of emerging, developing, proficient and extending, we are looking for SD8 students to be proficient or extending. Data must be used ethically and is not be used to judge children, teachers, or communities for ranking.

iv. Enhancing Student Learning Report Data

The EDCOW committee went into breakout rooms and were provided with an around the world look at SD8 data.

Big Questions from breakout session:

- Looking for more street level data.
- How are cohorts doing over multiple years?
- What happened in 17/18 data?
- What data are we collecting at a district level?
- What do we need to do to have Indigenous data released to us?
- Would like to see grade 6, 7, 8 graduation rates.
- Did the criteria for student disabilities change?
- Why are SD8 results lower than provincial data results?
- What barriers are holding graduations back?
- How can we follow up with students to better inform the data collection?
- Can we compare demographics? Regions? District size?

13. Celebration of Learning

Trustee Gribbon – EDI and MDI comment.

KLTF (NDTA) representative – Celebrate teachers across the district for relearning how to do so much given Covid 19 challenges for students.

14. Question Period: Nil

15. Meeting Schedule & Reminders

The next meeting of the Committee is scheduled for May 11, 2021 at the Nelson Board Office.

16. Adjournment of Meeting

The meeting adjourned at 4:05 p.m.