

**GOVERNANCE AND POLICY COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
MEETING MINUTES**

HELD ON TUESDAY, MAY 11, 2021

In person at the School Board Office, 811 Stanley Street, Nelson, BC, and via video conference.

BOARD:

L. Trenaman, Board Chair (*via video conference*)
S. Nazaroff, Board Vice-Chair (*via video conference*)
S. Walsh, G&P Committee Chair (*via video conference*)
S. Chew (*via video conference*)
D. Lang (*via video conference*)
A. Gribbin (*via video conference*)

DISTRICT STAFF:

C. Perkins, Superintendent
M. McLellan, Secretary-Treasurer
B. MacLean, Director of Operations
N. Howald, Director of Information Technology
C. Singh, Director of Human Resources
S. Whale, Executive Assistant
R. Krulitsky, Executive Assistant

PARTNERS:

M. Bennett, CUPE (*via video conference*)
A. Early, CUPE (*via video conference*)
N. Nazaroff, DPAC (*via video conference*)
E. DuPont, DPAC (*via video conference*)
C. Wilson, KLTF (*via video conference*)
J. Konken, KLPVPA (*via video conference*)

REGRETS:

C. Beebe, Trustee
B. Coons, Trustee

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Committee Chair Walsh at 12:32 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. Insertions/Deletions to proposed Agenda

4. Adoption of Agenda

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

THAT the agenda for this May 11, 2021 meeting, **BE ADOPTED**, as circulated.

5. Receiving Presentations: Nil

6. Opportunity for Comments by the Public: Nil

7. Consent Package: Nil

8. Adoption of Minutes

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

THAT the minutes from the March 9, 2021 Governance & Policy Committee of the Whole meeting **BE ADOPTED.**

9. Old Business: Nil

10. New Business

A. Policy 410: School Choice and Catchment

The Secretary-Treasurer introduced the proposed changes to Policy 410: School Choice and Catchment and noted that there were various regulations to consider from the Ministry of Education, the School Act, and Collective Agreements.

A discussion ensued regarding enrolment numbers, the possibility of exceeding maximum capacity and/or designating schools as ‘full’, potential impacts on the International Education program, and how best to accommodate every learner who wants to attend a SD8 school.

It was noted that the policy could be reviewed by legal before any further action and would be presented to the board again in June.

B. Section 800 Policies

- **Policy 810: Use of Information and Communications Technology**

The Director of IT introduced the policy and proposed changes. A discussion ensued regarding losses and/or damages to personal devices.

The changes circulated in advance were accepted.

- **Policy 820: Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy**

The changes circulated in advance were accepted.

- **Policy 830: Wireless Technology in Schools**

The changes circulated in advance were accepted.

In addition, “in a communications rich environment” was deleted from the second sentence.

- **Policy 831: Cell Phones & Personal Electronic Devices**

The changes circulated in advance were accepted.

- **Policy 840: Use of Video Surveillance**

The changes circulated in advance were accepted.

- **Policy 850: Cyber-misconduct**

The changes circulated in advance were accepted.

In addition, “students” was changed to “anyone” in the last sentence.

- Policy 860: Social Networking-Media

The changes circulated in advance were accepted.

A discussion occurred regarding the need for an Administrative Procedure. It was decided that the Director of Information Technology and the Manager of Safe Schools would work together to develop this.

The Director of Human Resources joined the meeting at 1:39 PM.

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

THAT updated Policies 810, 820, 830, 831, 840, 850, and 860 **BE RECOMMENDED** to the Board for approval.

C. Strategic Planning

The Superintendent provided an update regarding the Continuous Improvement Pilot Project with the Ministry of Education regarding Strategic Planning, FESL, and other data. The Trustees involved with the project reflected on their experiences so far.

11. Policy Priority List/Annual Plan

Trustee Beebe joined the meeting via video conference at 1:51 PM.

The Committee Chair noted that Policy 580 should be able to be reviewed by the Committee in Fall 2021 and asked for updates on Bylaw No. 1 and Policy 100. The Superintendent provided an update that Bylaw No. 1 is still in legal review and Policy 100 is being worked on by the District Principal of Aboriginal Education. A review of all policies through an anti-racist lens was requested.

12. Question Period

13. Meeting Schedule & Reminders

The next meeting of the Committee will be scheduled for September 2021.

14. Adjournment of Meeting

The meeting was adjourned at 1:56 PM.



Board Chair



Secretary-Treasurer