



Kootenay-Columbia
School District No.20



Board Update

News from the April 13, 2015
Regular Open Board Meeting #5

Rosann Brunton

Toni Driutti

Teri Ferworn

Darrel Ganzert, Chair

Terry Hanik

Mickey Kinakin (*regrets*)

Kim Mandoli

Gord Smith, Vice-Chair

Mark Wilson

- **Shared Services:** Staff has been requested to develop a list of SD 20's efforts in shared services and share the report with the Board in an open board meeting.
- **Finance & Facilities Committee** meeting minutes of March 12th were shared. Items included:
 - ◆ Carbon Neutral Capital Program (CNCP) funding update
 - ◆ 5 year district student demographics - Twin Rivers & Glenmerry Elementary projected enrolment pressure
 - ◆ update regarding the process of the development of long and short-term buildings and grounds plans for recommendation to the Board
 - ◆ transportation system planning review
 - ◆ items referred to Finance & Facilities by Board (creation/elimination of bus stops)
 - ◆ Audit Committee functions
- **City of Castlegar:** The Board passed a motion to support the City of Castlegar holding a council meeting at Stanley Humphries Secondary School to engage youth in the community.
- **Automated External Defibrillator:** The Board passed a motion to invite trustees to donate personal funds toward the purchase of one AED.
- **Field Trip:** The Board approved the Rossland Summit School Grade 7-8 Field Trip to Alberta (Camp Chief Hector, Royal Tyrell Museum, Head Smashed In Buffalo Jump, Frank Slide Interpretive Centre) in June.
- **Financial Information:** The Board passed a motion to direct staff to research and compile the following financial information:
 - ◆ total Ministry of Education funding cuts to SD 20 for the last 5 years
 - ◆ implications of those funding cuts and subsequent budget reductions (ie, operational area impacts)
 - ◆ administrative costs as a total and as a percent of budget
- **Community Engagement:** The Board passed a motion to approve an ad hoc committee to propose the terms of reference for a Community Engagement Committee. The terms of reference will be brought back to the Board for debate and possible acceptable. The ad hoc committee should be comprised of trustee and senior management reps.
- **Enrolment Report (March 30th):** 34.188 FTE decline since October, mainly in alternative education programs.

- **Attendance Support and Wellness Social Purpose Grant:** The Superintendent shared and spoke to a one-time Ministry of Education \$25,000 grant that the district received.
- **Kindergarten Registration Update (April 2nd):** 232.
- **Early French Immersion and Russian Bilingual Kindergarten Update::**
 - ◆ 22 Early French Immersion applications were received so will proceed with an EFI Kindergarten class at Twin Rivers in 2015-2016
 - ◆ 9 Russian Bilingual Kindergarten applications were received and it will proceed as a Kindergarten-Grade 1 Russian Bilingual class
- **Late French Immersion Update:**
 - ◆ 30 at Twin Rivers
 - ◆ 28 at Rossland
- **Expenditure Report (March):** 33% of overall budget remains for April-June
- **Substitute Expenditure Report (March):** 34% of anticipated budget remains for April-June
- **2015-2016 Budget update:**
 - ◆ Documents were shared highlighting Ministry of Education grants and an updated draft 3 of the budget showing if the items described in drafts 1, 2 and 3 were implemented the deficit would still be \$232,013
- **In-Camera Report:** The Board Chair reported that personnel and student suspensions were discussed/actions taken at the In-Camera meeting held March 9th.
- **Revenue Generating Committee:** The Board Chair requested a trustee volunteer for the Revenue Generating Committee.
- **Bill 11 Ad Campaign:** The Board passed a motion to support the KCTU Bill 11 ad campaign, along with CUPE and DPAC.
- **Notice of Meetings**
 - ◆ **Open/Public Committee of the Whole Budget Meeting** (*presentation of Superintendent's proposed 2015-2016 budget*) – Wednesday, April 15, 2015 – 6:30 pm – Kootenay-Columbia Learning Centre, Trail Campus (gymnasium)
 - ◆ **Regular Open Board Meeting #6** (*1st & 2nd readings of 2015-2016 Budget Bylaw*) – Monday, April 27, 2015 – 7:00 pm – Kootenay-Columbia Learning Centre, Trail Campus (room 211)
 - ◆ **Regular Open Board Meeting #7** (*3rd reading and adoption of 2015-2016 Budget Bylaw*) – Friday, May 1, 2015 – 5:00 pm – Kootenay-Columbia Learning Centre, Trail Campus (gymnasium)