

# SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 51 (BOUNDARY)

Open Meeting of the Board of Education

May 21, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

## Minutes

The Chairperson called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

Present:	R. Zitko	Chair
	S. Hall	Trustee
	L. Van Marck	Trustee
	A. Lautard	Superintendent
	M. Burdock	Secretary-Treasurer
	M. Danyluk	Trustee
	J. Massey	Trustee
	K. Jepsen	Trustee
	B. Bird	Vice Chair

Absent: Nil

Acknowledgement of the Indigenous peoples and ancestors.

### Adoption of Agenda

MOVED Massey  
2ND Danyluk

[“That the Agenda for May 21, 2024, be adopted as amended.”](#)

CARRIED

### Adoption of Minutes

MOVED Massey  
2ND Van Marck

[“That the April 16, 2024, Regular Board Meeting minutes be adopted as circulated.”](#)

CARRIED

### Correspondence

- Scott DeWynter-Wilkie - Field trip request for the GFSS ESports team to compete in the League of Legends/Esports League Championships event in Honolulu, Hawaii in July.

MOVED Massey  
2ND Danyluk

[“That the Board approve, in principle, the field trip request for the GFSS ESports team to compete in](#)

the League of Legends/Esports League Championships event in Honalulu, Hawaii in July 2024.”

CARRIED

## Business Items

### 1. Presentations/Discussion

- 2024 District Science Fair, Peter Scott and students
  - Ava Fostvedt – Hutton, Grade 5
    - What Natural Water is Safest to Drink?
  - Brendan MacGregor – CLES, Grade 6
    - The Organic Advantage: From Seeds to Sprout

### 2. Strategic Plan Update

- Superintendent Lautard presented the Strategic Plan update:
  - BCSS student trustees Taylor Ramsey and Addy Molloy provided an update of events at BCSS: fundraisers, dry grad on June 24<sup>th</sup>, grad dinner and prom on May 31<sup>st</sup>, teacher appreciation week, Spirit Club annual dinner, PJ day, hot lunch program, cell phone policy, spaghetti dinner, Red Dress day, theatre club productions
  - Superintendent Lautard highlighted the MDI Data Talk PowerPoint presentation that was discussed at the Education Committee meeting on May 7<sup>th</sup>

### 3. Committee Reports

#### FINANCE

- Secretary Treasurer Burdock presented the expenditure report to April 30, 2024
  - Represents 10 months of fiscal year and 8 months of school year, and is first expenditure report showing amended budget passed in February
  - Salaries and benefits for 10- and 12-month employees tracking well, but may need small reclassification between PVP and management
  - Trustee salaries do not include the July 1, 2023 increase, which will result in a \$6,500 overspend
  - Substitute costs tracking high, expecting overspend
  - A change in providers for Extended Health and Dental for CUPE may result in reduction of premium costs, but other benefit costs tracking as expected
  - Supplies and services tracking as expected

#### OPERATIONS

- Secretary Treasurer Burdock presented the Annual Facilities Grant (AFG) Spending Plan
  - Director of Operations David Reid reviewed the spending plan in detail at the finance meeting on May 14<sup>th</sup>
  - Projects to highlight include:
    - Irrigation installation at Hutton
    - Asbestos management upgrade
    - Exterior upgrades at GFSS
    - Accessibility upgrades
- Superintendent Lautard presented the Long-Range Facilities Plan feedback

- Next step will be to send final survey to each school community based on capital plans for that site only. Goal is to present final draft LRFP to Board in September 2024.

**POLICY**

- Two policy revisions were recommended by the Policy Committee for adoption.

MOVED  
2ND Massey  
Bird

“That the Board of Education adopt the following revised policies as recommended by the Policy Committee:

- 220 – Inclusive and Respectful Environments (repealing and replacing Policy 1180 – Inclusive Environment, Policy 1190 – Non-Sexist Environment and Policy 1200 – Multiculturalism)
- 221 – Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity and Gender Expression (repealing and replacing Policy 4110 – Respect for Human Diversity, Gender and Sexual Diversity)”

CARRIED

- Five policy revisions were recommended by the Policy Committee for public notice and comment.

MOVED  
2ND Bird  
Massey

“That the Board approve the following policy revisions for public notice and comment as recommended by the Policy Committee:

- 310 – Student Conduct Expectations (repealing and replacing Policy 5000 – District Code of Conduct, Policy 5001 – Suspension of Students and Regulation 30353R3 – Technology, Social Networking Regulation)
- 320 – Enrolment of Students and School Choice (repealing and replacing Policy 5090 – School Attendance/Catchment Areas)
- 321 – Fee Paying Students (repealing and replacing Policy 5100 – Out-of-Province Students)
- 330 – Student Placement (repealing and replacing Policy 5060 Inclusion and Policy 5030 – Student Grade Retention/Acceleration)
- 340 – Student Fees and Financial Hardship (repealing and replacing Policy 2020 – School Fees/Charges)”

CARRIED

**4. Board Chair Report**

- Board Chair Zitko provided the following update on the BCSTA AGM:
  - Met with the Kootenay Boundary Branch and a common discussion/topic was how different districts are handling communication

- Board Chair meeting on Thursday – Minister Singh announced that CPR training will be taught in high schools

#### 5. Senior Management Reports

- Superintendent Lautard presented her report which highlights the following:
  - Sinixt Ethnohistoric Report Training Session
  - Jointly Convened Annual Meeting
  - All Superintendents Meeting on May 10<sup>th</sup>
- Secretary Treasurer Burdock presented her report and highlighted the following:
  - Ministry Reporting including GRE and EDAS
  - Bus Card Program has gone live across the District

#### 6. Trustee Reports

- Boundary Indigenous Education Council – No update available
- BCSTA Provincial Council – Trustee Jepsen reported out
- Recreation Commission – Trustee Bird reported out
- Boundary Integrated Services Model – Trustee Massey reported out
- BCSTA Kootenay Boundary Branch – No update available
- BCPSEA – Trustee Hall reported out
- PAC Highlights – Trustees Jepsen, Massey, Van Marck, Bird, Zitko, and Hall reported out
- Okanagan Labour Relations Council – No update available

#### 7. Around the Boundary

#### Future Agenda Items

Meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m.



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Chairperson



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Secretary-Treasurer