



BOARD HIGHLIGHTS March 2025

STRATEGIC AND POLICY ISSUES

Practices or Practices for Review • None

Third Reading • None

Second Reading • Aaron Callaghan, Superintendent of School

Policy 1600: Trustee Professional Learning. Please visit the Policies Under Review webpage to provide comments.

First Reading • Trent Dolgopol, Director of Instruction

Policy 2700: Acceptable Use of Digital Technology. Please visit the Policies Under Review webpage to provide comments.

OPERATIONAL ISSUES

McKim Field Use for JulyFest • Alan Rice, Secretary Treasurer

A presentation was made earlier in the evening by delegates of the JulyFest organizers and their proposal to use the McKim Field and obtain permission to serve alcohol on the field was reviewed. Great discussion was had with the delegates with lots of thoughtful questions from our Trustees. The board approved the motion from the Julyfest organizers to serve alcohol on the McKim Field.

2025-26 Final Calendar Approved 2027-28 Draft Calendar Approved In-Principle • Steve Wyer, Assistant Superintendent The final calendar for the 2025-2026 school year along with the first draft of the 2027-2028 calendar were presented. Both were approved by the board. Updated calendars will be shared on school district website within the next few weeks.

Equestrain Academy • Steve Wyer, Assistant Superintendent

A presentation was made earlier in the evening by Heather English, Principal of DTSS and Simone Randall, Teacher at DTSS. The highlights and benefits of an Equestrian Academy were discussed and all of the board's questions were thoroughly answered. The board approved the motion to established an Equestrian Academy at DTSS commencing in the 2025-2026 school year.



REPORTS

School Success Plans – Interim Reports • Aaron Callaghan, Superintendent of Schools

Each school in the district submitted an interim report on their School Success Plan. Four of our district's Principals (Blaine Broderick, Lady Grey Elementary School; Dan Clark, Lindsay Park Elementary School; Keri Gust, Windermere Elementary School; Lisa Tenta, Rocky Mountain Alternative Education) joined the meeting to present on successful initiatives used at their schools.

Budget Utilization Report • Alan Rice, Secretary Treasurer Report accepted as presented.

February Field Trip Report • Steve Wyer, Assistant Superintendent Report accepted as presented.

BC School Trustees Association • Scott King, Trustee Trustee King shared an update via email to Trustees.

BC School Trustees Association, Kootenay Boundary Branch • Rhonda Smith, Trustee Planning is underway for the KBB AGM to be hosted in Invermere in September 2025

BC Public Schools Employers Association • Jane Thurgood Sagal, Trustee Trustee Thurgood Sagal shared an update via email to Trustees.

UPCOMING DATES

- March 17 28, 2025 Spring Break
- March 31, 2025 Schools Reopen
- April 8, 2025 Board of Education Meeting, Windermere Elementary School
- April 18, 2025 Good Friday (schools closed)
- April 21, 2025 Easter Monday (schools closed)
- April 22, 2025 Earth Day
- April 28, 2025 Non-Instructional Day (no classes for students)