



SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 6 (ROCKY MOUNTAIN)

SD6 Board-Community Update on the activities of the Board of Education from the most recent regular meeting

September, 2019

PRESENTATIONS

- ✓ Mark Koebel, Principal of Eileen Madson Primary School welcomed the Board to the school. Mr. Koebel reported on the grant that Eileen Madson Primary and J. Alfred Laird Elementary received from the W. Brett Wilson Family Funding Program. He indicated that Eileen Madson Primary received \$8,000 in total consisting of \$500 for each classroom and \$2,500 for the school. Mr. Koebel indicated that the request of the donor was that the funding be used to support physical and mental well-being for the students. The school used the funding to provide gymnastics and hip-hop instruction, functional fitness opportunities, and to purchase specific furniture items that help students who require movement in order to concentrate on specific tasks.
- ✓ Mr. Michael Murphy, Audit Partner with BDO Canada, LLP presented the Auditor's Report and reviewed the draft Audited Financial Statements of School District No. 6 (Rocky Mountain) for the year ended June 30, 2019. Mr. Murphy reviewed the Auditor's Report, the Statement of Financial Position, Statement of Operations, Statement of Changes in Net Financial Debt, and Statement of Cash Flows with the Board. Mr. Murphy responded to questions and the Chairperson thanked him for his presentation. The Board approved the Audited Financial Statements for the year ended June 30, 2019 at this meeting.

STRATEGIC AND POLICY ISSUES

- ✓ Mr. Carriere presented Policy 5810 – Diversity and Inclusion for the Board's consideration, for third reading. Mr. Carriere informed the Board that the Policy Committee received no feedback on the policy since second reading. The Board approved the proposed policy at third reading.
- ✓ Mr. Carriere presented Policy 5110 – Physical Restraint and Seclusion in School Settings for the Board's consideration, at third reading. Mr. Carriere indicated that this Policy mirrors the Provincial guidelines that were provided to all school districts. Mr. Carriere indicated that the Policy Committee received some minor wording changes as feedback, which helped sections on page two of the proposed policy to flow better. The Board approved the proposed policy at third reading. Following a question Mr. Carriere confirmed that the Policy includes a form for tracking and reporting incidences of restraint and seclusion, should they occur.

REPORTS

- ✓ Ms. Lenardon reported on some of the highlights from the Learning Leadership Report. The report is available on the SD6 website main page, either as a scrolling news item or under the “about us” menu.
- ✓ Vice-Chairperson Fearing indicated that she will be attending a Provincial Council meeting on October 25th and 26th in Vancouver. She reminded the Board that she also serves on the BCSTA Aboriginal Education Committee.
- ✓ Chairperson Byklum reminded the trustees that the BCSTA KBB AGM will be hosted by our school district on September 27, 28 and 29th at Fairmont Hot Springs Resort.
- ✓ Vice-Chairperson Smaill reported that negotiations with the BC Teachers’ Federation is on a hiatus until September 23rd at which time they are planning on resuming negotiations with assistance of a mediator.

INFORMATION ITEMS

- ✓ The September and October Calendars are available [here](#).