

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 51 (BOUNDARY)

Open Meeting of the Board of Education
October 28, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.

Minutes

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

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

Absent: J. Massey Trustee

Acknowledgement of the Indigenous peoples and ancestors.

Adoption of Agenda

MOVED/SECONDED

[“That the Agenda for October 28, 2025, be adopted as presented.”](#)

CARRIED

Adoption of Minutes

MOVED/SECONDED

[“That the September 23, 2025, Regular Board Meeting minutes be adopted as amended.”](#)

CARRIED

Correspondence

Nil

Strategic Plan Update

- Superintendent Lautard introduced BCSS and GFSS Student Trustees
 - Student Trustees
 - BCSS: Elizabeth and Kaela – Grad class is fundraising already, starting on Capstone projects, selecting a valedictorian, and planning dry grad/grad ceremony. Soccer, Jr and Sr volleyball and cross country running teams in full swing. Theatre dept will be presenting Mama Mia this year. Spirit club is planning activities for Fridays in session, hosting costume contest this week. Thank you to Anna for meeting with YAC on strat plan.
 - GFSS: Emma and Alex – Student council hosted a Truth and Reconciliation assembly

and have a Halloween and Remembrance Day assembly planned, including some band performances. Entire school participated in the Terry Fox Run. Global Citizenship Club/Student Council raising money for cat shelter. Soccer, volleyball, and swim teams busy. Swim team attended zones and now going to provincials. Student council volunteering to make pancakes and smoothies for the students before school starts. Rock, Paper, Scissors competition on Oct 17th. Grade 9's participating in Take Your kid to Work day next week.

- Superintendent Lautard presented the Strategic Plan Update and highlighted the literacy initiative and the process/timeline for Strategic Planning this year.

Business Items

1. Committee Reports

EDUCATION

Nil

FINANCE

- Secretary Treasurer Burdock presented the 2025/26 Student Enrolment
 - Projected student enrolment for Sept 2025 was 1,245.25 FTE. Actual enrolment per September student data collection is 1,262.25 (up 17.00 FTE).
 - Recalculated operating grant will be announced in December.
- Secretary Treasurer Burdock introduced School Catchment Areas - Consultation

MOVED/SECONDED

“That the Board of Education initiate a consultation process to consider implementation of School Catchment Areas in SD51.”

CARRIED

OPERATIONS

Nil

POLICY

Trustee Bird confirmed Committee met on October 21st, however, there were no policy recommendations for the Board.

2. Board Chair Report

- Board Chair Zitko presented the Board Annual Work Plan

MOVED/SECONDED

“That the Board of Education adopts the Annual Board Work Plan as presented”

CARRIED

3. Senior Management Reports

- Superintendent Lautard presented her report.
- Secretary Treasurer Burdock presented her report and highlighted all the Fall reporting requirements, including EDAS, Pay Transparency Act Report (*NEW*), GRE – some of which have been negatively impacted by BCGEU job action.

4. Trustee Reports

- BCSTA Provincial Council – Trustee Jepsen reported out
- Recreation Commission – Trustee Bird reported out
- Boundary Integrated Services Model – No meeting to report
- BCSTA Kootenay Boundary Branch – Trustee Massey absent, no meeting to report
- BCPSEA – Secretary Treasurer Burdock reported out
- PAC Highlights – Trustee Van Marck, Jepsen, Danyluk, and Hall provided written reports
- Okanagan Labour Relations Council – Trustee Bird reported out
- Rural and Remote – Trustee Jepsen reported out

Question Period

Future Agenda Items

Meeting adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

Chairperson

Secretary-Treasurer