

**French Advisory Committee
Agenda
February 21, 2023
1:00 P.M. – 2:30 P.M. (PST)
VIA TEAMS:**

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1. Call to Order
2. Territory Acknowledgement

“We acknowledge, respect and honour the First Nations in whose traditional territories the Kootenay Lake School District operates and all Aboriginal people residing within the boundaries of School District No. 8.”
3. Introductions/Welcome
4. Adoption of February 21, 2023 Agenda
5. Adoption of January 17, 2023 Minutes
6. District Updates
 - a. Update on Terms of Reference and Annual Plan
 - c. French Immersion Enrollment Update – District Principal Malloff
 - d. Budget – District Principal Malloff
 - e. School Plans – French Coordinator Finnie
 - f. Events & Professional Learning – French Coordinator Finnie
7. School Updates:
 - a. Canyon Lister Elementary School – Principal Carrier
 - b. Trafalgar Middle School – Principal Mushumanski
 - c. L.V. Rogers Secondary School – Principal Rude
8. Schedule of 2022-2023 Meetings is:
October 18, 2022
January 17, 2023
February 21, 2023
April 18, 2023
9. Adjournment

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January 17, 2023

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Present:

Ben Eaton
Tamara Malloff
Vanessa Finnie
Wanda Machado
Laury Carrier
Tim Mushumanski
Victoria Jordan
Honor Rozee
Nona Lynn

Regrets:

Trustee Gribbin
Mary Jayne Blackmore
Kathy Etheridge
Danielle Labonte

1. Call to Order
The meeting was called to order at 1:05 p.m.
2. Territory Acknowledgement
"We acknowledge, respect and honour the First Nations in whose traditional territories the Kootenay Lake School District operates and all Aboriginal people residing within the boundaries of School District No. 8."
3. Introductions/Welcome
A round table of introductions took place.
4. Adoption of January 17, 2023 Agenda
The January 17, 2023 FAC Agenda was approved.
5. Adoption of October 18, 2022 Minutes
The October 18, 2023 Minutes were approved.
6. District Updates
 - a. Review Terms of Reference edits – Director Eaton
Wanda Machado will reach out to French Immersion teachers to see any parent representatives would like to join the FAC group.
Chair Trenaman stated that we may need to revise quorum due to the fact that a Trustee may not be able to attend.
Principal Mushumanski noted that schools can work towards parent engagement prior to revising quorum wording.
Director Eaton recommended that the TOR and Annual plan be revisited at the next meeting.
Discussion took place around the potential to include student representatives.

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- Working towards getting Carnival up and running again this year. February 24th 11 to 3 - FAC committee is invited to attend.
- FI updates are coming regularly, and many parents are showing interest.
- Plan to hold a poverty awareness month, prior to coldest night of the year, and then doing an overnight with coldest night of the year are being planned currently.
- Chair Trenaman – parents came to the board to have an early immersion program and a class was formed and then disbanded, and then the FI families again asked for early FI and the board voted it down. If parents want something bad enough, they will make it happen. It should be considered – and now Canyon Lister is a magnet school for FI – but would take significant planning on the PVP part to make this happen. Enrollment should be reviewed as you go up the years in school. If there is significant mass at the secondary level in Creston.
- Wanda Machado – As a teacher it's important to consider the levels of language – as provincially there is separate curriculum in FI. Grade 8 is when the early and late FI meet. Early makes the program much more effective.
- District Principal Malloff – How can we bring together the collective wisdom in the district to gather more information? French immersion is a district level program that is administered at the district level. Exploration on if this should be done district wide to start.
- Principal Carrier – asked about budget allocation, didn't receive anything in the FI grant.

ACTION ITEM: Look into funds from French Immersion grants.

- c. L.V. Rogers Secondary School – Principal Malloff
 - Finalizing the first semester
 - Grad Literacy Assessments taking place next week.
 - Anticipating 17 graduates.
 - Partnering with Trafalgar in transitioning – beginning in February.
 - Core French – 23 students. Core French Level 1 and 2.
 - Spending money on upgraded technology for French this year.
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 - 2:01 p.m.