

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

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**Present:**

Trustee Gribbin  
Tamara Malloff, District Principal  
Laury Carrier, Principal  
Dan Rude, Principal  
Wanda Machado, Teacher  
Sacha Kitch, Teacher  
Julie Kitch, Teacher  
Nona Lynn, Learning Innovator  
Lauren Fanthome, Parent  
Genevieve Lepage, Parent  
Laure Perrier, Parent  
Tara Earnshaw, Parent  
Richard Vongkeo, Parent

**Regrets:**

Ben Eaton, Director  
Tim Mushumanski, Principal  
Victoria Jordan, Teacher  
Vanessa Finnie, Teacher Coordinator

**1. Call to Order**

Called to order at 1:03 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**

Round table of welcome and introductions took place.

**4. Adoption of February 21, 2023 Agenda**

The agenda of the February 21, 2023 FAC meeting agenda was approved.

**5. Adoption of January 17, 2023 Minutes**

The Minutes of January 17, 2023 minutes were approved.

**6. District Updates**

**a. Update on Terms of Reference and Annual Plan**

- Reviewed the Terms of Reference.
- Reviewed the Annual Plan from 21 22
- Will bring forward the TOR and Annual Plan to the next meeting – April 18, 2023

**c. French Immersion Enrollment Update – District Principal Malloff**

- Provided a French Immersion Enrollment update.
- S. Kitch asked if we have a sense of how many students will go into French Immersion into grade 9.

**ACTION ITEM:** Work with Principal Mushumanski and Principal Rude to provide an estimate of numbers going into grade 9.

- Principal Carrier explained the enrollment process at Canyon Lister elementary.
- Classes are multi-age classes in Creston.

**d. Budget – District Principal Malloff**

- District Principal Malloff explained the OLEP budget to the committee. An explanation of all of the budget sections was explained to the committee. Discussion to place around allocation and it was explained that allocations per school is based on student FTE. Also mentioned that allocations have flexibility within and amongst schools as per school plan reports.
- Trustee Gribbin would like to see the budget broken down by FTE for the next school year.
- The District encourages spending at the school level of these budgets.
- Machado, would like to see the French Monitors revisited at the school level.

**e. Supports at Schools**

- District Principal Malloff explained the Odyssey Program that has been used in the past and this program is now on a three-year rotation cycle.
- Currently SD8 is exploring options with respect to French supports at schools. More information will come in the future.

**f. School Plans – French Coordinator Finnie**

- Canyon Lister School Plan was shared at the last meeting.
- Asking that LVR and Trafalgar provide their school plans at a future date.
- LVR – Grade 12 ministry exam is new this year, and S. Kitch will be a marker on this new assessment. Working with this is helping to learn which skills need to be worked on in the classroom.

**g. Events & Professional Learning – French Coordinator Finnie**  
TBD.

**7. School Updates:**

**a. Canyon Lister Elementary School – Principal Carrier**

- Registration deadline is getting closer.
- Holding numbers consistently.
- Happy with the numbers for Canyon Lister for next year.

**b. Trafalgar Middle School – Principal Mushumanski**

- Course selection season.
- Organized Coldest Night of the Year.
- Carnival will take place on Friday.

**c. L.V. Rogers Secondary School – Principal Rude**

- Second Semester turn around.
- Course selectin for next year.
- Parent nights took place. Lots of parent attended to understand graduation program, and French programing.
- First round of Ministry French exams (learning about the process).
- Looking forward to seeing who is coming to LVR for grade 9 for next year.
- Working on the transition from grade 9 to 10.

**8. Schedule of 2022-2023 Meetings is:**

October 18, 2022  
January 17, 2023  
February 21, 2023

April 18, 2023

**9. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 2:04 p.m.