

SCHOOL DISTRICT 54
(Bulkley Valley)

POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING
February 3rd, 2015 **3:00 PM** *School Board Office*

Voting Members	Administration
F. Farrell, Chair BJ. Beaubien D. Hanson	C. van der Mark, Superintendent D. Margerm, Secretary Treasurer M. McDiarmid, Assistant Superintendent
Regrets: L. Kearns (ex officio)	Ms. C. Whalen

REPORT

PREVIOUS MEETING OF January 6th, 2015

Policy	Description	Type	Status
	Student Trustee	New	In-Committee

NEW BUSINESS

Policy	Description	Type	Consultation
11.140 Appendix	Transportation of musical instrument on buses	Revision	No

Meeting : 3:05-3:55 pm.

REPORT:

1. Mr. Margerm updated the Board on two letters submitted by Smithers Band Boosters and St. Joseph's School outlining their concerns about limited transportation of musical instruments on School District buses. Mr. Margerm also advised the Board on current issues and restrictions around transporting larger instruments: violations of Motor Vehicle Act, safety, size and capacity of storage.

The Committee recommended that School District administration continue to work with parents and community organizations in order to accommodate as many instruments as legally allowed and feasible from a safety standard. The committee commended Mrs. Whalen for her accommodations to support the music program and encouraged her to continue to be as flexible as possible in order to provide support for music programs. The Committee also recommended that the board respond to the two letters.

The Committee requested information on the number of students with large instruments that would be of concern.

C. Date & Time of Next Meeting: March 3rd, 2015 @ 3:00pm

Type: New, Revision, Deletion
Status: In-committee, on-going, approved
Consultation Yes, Not required, Complete