

SCHOOL DISTRICT 54
(Bulkley Valley)

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

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

PREVIOUS MEETING OF February 3rd, 2015

Policy	Description	Type	Status
11.140	Student Trustee Transportation- Musical Instruments	New	In-Committee

NEW BUSINESS

Policy	Description	Type	Consultation
1.100 1.120 1.185	General Revisions: 1. Representation 2. Board Meetings 3. Pro-D policy for Trustees 4. Weather Conditions (BVTU Request)	Revision	No

Meeting: 3:00-4:02 pm

REPORT

- 1. Representation (Policy 1.100)**
Change the term from 3 to 4 years.
- 2. Board Meetings (Policy 1.120)**
The Board has already voted a motion through changing the locations for board meetings in Houston from 3 to 1. The policy just needs to be changed.
- 3. Pro-D for Trustees (Policy 1.185)**
See attached edits to policy.
- 4. Weather Conditions**
The Committee discussed the request of allowing teachers to not show up to work due to poor weather conditions. The committee concluded that this is a collective agreement issue.

Date & Time of Next Meeting: March 24th, 2015 @ 3:00pm

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

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1.185 TRUSTEE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

The Board offers the following opportunities for trustees:

- a) The Board will sponsor the following meetings/conferences for all trustees.
 - 1) BCSTA Trustee Academy held in the late Fall
 - 2) BCSTA Annual General Meeting and Conference held in the Spring
 - 3) North West Zone Branch meetings.

- b) The Board will provide a Pro-D account of **\$2,000** for each Trustee at the beginning of the Trustee's **4-year** term. Any Trustee doing a portion of a **4-year** term will start with a proportionate amount in this account. This account is to be used at the professional discretion of the Trustee but must last for the **4-year** term and no portion may be carried over to another term.

Each Trustee not attending a conference sponsored for all Trustees may ask another Trustee to collect/collate conference information and present it to the absent Trustee.

Each Trustee attending a Conference/Workshop must prepare a report, as soon as is appropriate for the Board.

It is expected that Trustees will make every reasonable effort to attend both BCSTA events during the first year of their term. In years 2, 3 and 4, attendance at the BCSTA events is at the discretion of the individual Trustee yet strongly encouraged. Except for the first year of a trustee's term, trustees will be eligible to attend one of the two BCSTA events, with the exception of the Board Chair who may attend both.

VALUES

In its consideration of this policy, the board has been guided by the values of responsibility for prudent use of public funds and the responsibility to provide reasonable opportunities for trustee professional development.

This policy takes into consideration the Board's responsibilities to provide both professional opportunities for Trustees and accountability for public monies. In order to operate and govern itself in a manner that models our values and strengthens relationships within our education community, Trustees must have opportunities for professional development.