



School District 8
Kootenay Lake

February 06, 2023

The Board of Education of School District No. 8 (Kootenay Lake)
811 Stanley Street
Nelson, BC V1L 1N8

KLTF Co-Presidents Wilson and Kunzelman
Via email

RE: Your Correspondence dated January 27, 2023

Dear Co-Presidents Wilson and Kunzelman,

Thank you for your correspondence dated January 27, 2023.

To clarify information provided in your letter, the Board did not engage in activities to influence the election. In fact, the Board of Education responded to misinformation as it was presented to the public. [Policy 130: Trustee Code of Professional and Ethical Conduct](#) outlines the expectations of the Board and trustees:

- 1.10 Trustees must abstain from undignified public communication. They must use all media responsibly, including an acknowledgement that opinions expressed are those of the individual and not the Board of Education.
- 2. E. Integrity - Trustees must always conduct themselves honourably and with the highest standards of professional integrity in a manner which sustains and enhances the integrity of and public confidence in the Board of Education, as well as the dignity of the office of School Trustee. Trustees must never misrepresent facts.

The Board of Education agrees that a central mandate is to support student success. The presentation of misinformation is a distraction from this focus.

The Kootenay Lake Board of Education has a critical trust invested by the public and must govern the affairs and business of the school district with integrity and in a fair, respectful, and professional manner.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Lenora Trenaman", is written over a horizontal line.

Lenora Trenaman
Chair of the Board of Education