

MINUTES
BOYLE STREET EDUCATION CENTRE
BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING
March 18, 2021
10312 105 Street Edmonton AB T5J 1E6

CALL TO ORDER: Board Chair Cheyenne Mihko Kihêw called the meeting to order at 5:21 PM.

PRESENT: Cheyenne Mihko Kihêw, Karen Erickson, Marvin Foulkes, Danielle Powder, Kirstin Cardinal and Gurkirtan Lali.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE: Dallas Cardinal

STAFF: Mavis Averill, Scott Meunier, Huiy Tang and Sharan Sandhu.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

Motion# 20-21-493

Moved by Danielle Powder and seconded by Marvin Foulkes that the agenda be approved as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion# 20-21-494

Moved by Marvin Foulkes and seconded by Kirstin Cardinal that the minutes of the December 10, 2020 meeting be approved as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

Sharan
MS

REPORTS: (FOR INFORMATION PURPOSES ONLY)

SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

School Superintendent informed the Board that Staff Wellness has moved from a school committee to a responsibility of our OHS group to look at the overall environment for staff and their well-being in the school.

School Superintendent informed the Board that the school has entered into a relationship with an organization called Turtle Island Edmonton [A project to build safer spaces for First Nations, Métis, and Inuit youth in amiskwaciwâskahikan (Edmonton, Alberta)]. to further the positive experience of our students in the downtown environment.

School Superintendent informed the Board that the school wrote letters to the Indigenous Senior's Centre encouraging them during the pandemic, organized by the school's Student Council as a part of February's Random Acts of Kindness.

School Superintendent updated the Board regarding TAAPCS. School Superintendent and Board Chair met with the Minister of Education regarding issues facing Charter schools.

School Superintendent informed that the new reporting system for schools is based on assuring that the community, and school stakeholders are informed and invited to provide directional support for the school. Alberta Education may be looking at further check-ins for schools with 15 year Charters – in the 4th and 8th years.

School Superintendent commended the school on their excellent record in keeping students and staff safe during the pandemic.

SECRETARY-TREASURER'S REPORT:

Secretary Treasurer updated the board regarding Critical Worker Benefit.

Secretary Treasurer informed the Board that funding manual from Alberta Education for 2021-2022 shall be available after 31 March 2021. The verification number will also be confirmed by the Alberta Education for WMA calculation.

Secretary Treasurer informed the Board that the Government Reporting Entity (GRE) is submitted to Alberta Education.

SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION REPORT:

School administration informed the Board that after a year of schooling in the context of COVID, we are moving from a place of reactivity to a place of systematic and strategic planning for the longer term.

The school administration further said that over the last year, the staff members have worked hard to adopt new ways of reaching our students despite increasingly challenging and uncertain circumstances.

The School administration said that they are happy to report that the students we have kept engaged report feeling safe, happy and, in many cases, are having some of the most successful years of schooling they have ever had.

The school administration informed the Board that our next challenge is to formalize the changes that will allow our school to be as resilient as it may need to be in coming years. This means:

Establishing an operational calendar that balances consistent access to learning and supports with the important collaboration time staff members require to capably respond to emerging student needs.

Working with staff members to understand the administrative procedures we have formalized to ensure safe implementation of policy (so that each person understands what actions are necessary in a variety of circumstances).

Hearing from our school community about what constitute meaningful measures of quality assurance with respect to the learning and supports our school provides.

**At 6.20 pm IN CAMERA:
Motion# 20-21-495**

Moved by Danielle Powder and seconded by Marvin Foulkes that the Board move to IN CAMERA for the meeting.

Scott Meunier and Huiy Tang left the meeting room.

MOTION CARRIED

**At 6:35 pm OUT OF CAMERA:
Motion# 20-21-496**

Moved by Kirstin Cardinal and seconded by Danielle Powder that the Board move OUT OF CAMERA.

MOTION CARRIED

Sharon
AM

New Business Item:
Health Spending Account
Motion# 20-21-497

Moved by Danielle Powder and seconded by Karen Erickson that a new Business Item titled "Health Spending Account" be added under New Business as Item #4.

MOTION CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Line of Credit - Ratification
Motion# 20-21-498

"Line of Credit" motion was moved by Marvin Foulkes and seconded by Danielle Powder through email on 15 January 2021. Presented for ratification only. Moved by Kirstin Cardinal and seconded by Marvin Foulkes that the motion for "Line of Credit" be accepted and ratified as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

2. Technology Policy
Motion# 20-21-499

Moved by Karen Erickson and seconded by Kirstin Cardinal that the revised Technology Policy be approved as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

Sharon
MM

3. Memorandum of Agreement

Motion# 20-21-500

Moved by Marvin Foulkes and seconded by Danielle Powder that the Board approve the memorandum of agreement as negotiated by the Board's Negotiations Committee and ATA Negotiations Unit. The agreement states that the collective agreement will cover the period of 01 September 2020 to 31 August 2022.

MOTION CARRIED

4. Health Spending Account

Motion# 20-21-501

Moved by Gurkirtan Lali and seconded by Danielle Powder that the Board approve \$500.00 as one time payment to all school staff under Health Spending Account to be utilized from 1 April 2021 to 31 August 2021. This amount can not be combined with the regular Health Spendnig Account.

MOTION CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT:

Board Chair Cheyenne Mihko Kihêw declared that the meeting is adjourned at 6:41 pm.



CHAIRPERSON



SECRETARY-TREASURER