



Board of Trustees' Board Meeting

A public meeting of the Board of Trustees was held Virtually via Teams on November 23, 2020.

Trustees Present:

Bill Conway (Chair), Kevin Dupuis, Manuel da Silva, Jeanne Gravelle, Wendy Price, Greg Reitzel, Brian Schmalz, Melanie Van Alphen, Tracey Weiler

Student Trustees Present:

Abby Barbosa & Kate Morrison

Administrative Officials Present:

Loretta Notten, Jason Connolly, Maria Ivankovic, John Klein, Shesh Maharaj, Judy Merkel, Richard Olson, Laura Shoemaker

Special Resources For The Meeting:

Regrets:

Recorder:

Alice Figueiredo, Executive Administrative Assistant

NOTE ON VOTING: Under Board by-law 5.7 all Board decisions made by consensus are deemed the equivalent of a unanimous vote. A consensus decision is therefore deemed to be a vote of 9-0. Under Board by-law 5.11 every Trustee "shall vote on all questions on which the Trustee is entitled to vote" and abstentions are not permitted.

1. Call to Order:

The Chair of the Board called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

1.1 Opening Prayer & Memorials

The meeting opened with prayer by Trustee da Silva.

1.2 Territorial Acknowledgment

The Territorial Acknowledgement was declared by Trustee Conway.

1.3 Approval of Agenda

2020-240-- It was moved by Trustee Schmalz seconded by Trustee Price
THAT the agenda for Monday, November 23, 2020, be now approved. --- Carried by *consensus*.

1.4 Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

- 1.3.1 From the current meeting – NIL
- 1.3.2 From a previous public or in-camera meeting – NIL

1.5 Items for Action:

2020-241-- It was moved by Trustee Weiler seconded by Trustee da Silva:

THAT the Items for Action for:

- In-camera meeting of November 9th, 2020 regarding HRS Matters
- Private, Private, Private meeting of November 9th, 2020 regarding HRS Matters
- Private, Private meeting of November 9th, 2020 regarding HRS matters; and
- In-camera meeting of November 23rd, 2020 regarding HRS matters

be now approved. --- Carried by *consensus*.

2 Consent Agenda: Director of Education (e.g. day-to-day operational matters from the Ministry of Education that the board is required to do)

3 Consent Agenda: Board of Trustees (Minutes of meetings)

Approval of Minutes of Regular and Special Meetings

3.1 Approval of Minutes of Regular and Special Meetings

3.1.1 Board of Trustee Meeting Minutes of October 26, 2020

3.2 SEAC Minutes of October 7, 2020

3.3 Audit Minutes of September 30, 2020

3.4 CPIC Minutes of September 29, 2020

3.5 Financial Statements/Year End Report

3.6 Audit Committee Annual Report approval

2020-242- It was moved by Trustee Price and seconded by Trustee Dupuis:

THAT the Consent Agenda Board of Trustees and the recommendations contained therein be now approved. --- Carried by consensus

3 Delegations

4 Advice from the CEO

5.1 Director's Update

Director Notten provided the Board of Trustees with an update on the various virtual meetings attended provincially and locally.

5.2 ESL and ELD at the WCDSB

Superintendent Klein introduced ESL/ELD Student Achievement Consultants Carrie Mage and Barbara McCourt who provided the Board of Trustees with a presentation on ESL and ELD at the Board. An update on Samuel's Journey to Canada was provided, recent article in The Record was highlighted along data and current classroom practices.

Trustees asked clarifying questions and provided feedback.

5.3 Special Education Update

Superintendent Shoemaker introduced the presentation on Special Education Update and her team of presenters including Gerald Foran, Principal of Educational Community Partnership Programs & Student Services and Tee Battistella, Senior Manager of Special Education. Items discussed include return to learn model, highlights of the ABA Discipline Logic Model, Covid-19 Resources, Assistive Technology & Professional Development update, Vision, Hearing & Gifted Itinerant Teachers update and Educational & Community Partnerships Program with the Board.

5.4 Mental Health Update

Erin Schreiter, Lead Social Worker provided the Board of Trustees with an extensive report and update on Mental Health within the Board. The Mentally Healthy Return to School Toolkit was introduced along with the video resources created for parents and student and the Board Mental Health focus for 2020-21.

5.4 Update on WCDSB COVID Education Delivery Plan

Director Notten provided an update on the COVID Education Delivery Plan. Report included updated statics, unpacking of Thoughtexchange survey results, ongoing work with secondary schools on best modality moving forward and budget impact.

Trustees asked clarifying questions and provided feedback.

6. Board Education (at the request of the Board)

7. Reports From Board Committees/Task Forces

7.1 Student Trustees provided an update on activities hosted by schools and Student Trustee initiatives.

8. Board Education (at the request of the Board)

8.1 Chair's Report

Chair Conway provided report on meetings attended.

8.2 OCSTA/CCSTA Communications

Chair Conway briefly discussed communications.

9 Policy Discussion

10 Assurance of Successful Board Performance

10.1 Board Policy II 004 Advocacy and Advertising

Trustee Schmalz confirmed review of Board Policy II 004 Advocacy and Advertising and confirmed that the Board is in compliance.

Reviewed it and believe in compliance

2020-243 -- It was moved by Trustee Schmalz and seconded by Trustee Price:

THAT the Board of Trustees reviewed Board Policy II 004 Advocacy and Advertising and find that the Board is in compliance. --- Carried by consensus

Is there a need to Review the Policy? No

11 Assurance of Successful Director of Education Performance

11.1 Monitoring Reports & Vote on Compliance

12 Potential Agenda Items

12.1 Trustee Inquiry Report from the CEO

12.2 Shared Concerns

13 Announcements

13.1 Upcoming Meetings/Events (all scheduled for the Catholic Education Centre unless otherwise indicated):

Discussed upcoming events.

13.2 Pending Items:

13.3 Pending Items for OCSTA Consideration

14 Items for the Next Meeting Agenda

15 Adjournment – Confirm decisions made tonight.

15.1 The Recording Secretary confirmed the meeting decisions.

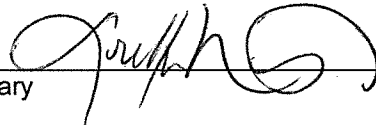
16 Closing Prayer

17 Motion to Adjourn

2020-244 -- It was moved by Trustee da Silva and seconded by Trustee Reitzel:
THAT the meeting be now adjourned. The meeting was adjourned by consensus at 8:58 p.m.



Chair of the Board



Secretary