

CALGARY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees (the “Board”) held in the Multipurpose Room, Education Centre, 1221 – 8 Street SW, Calgary, Alberta on Tuesday, May 23, 2017 at 12:00 noon

MEETING ATTENDANCE

Board of Trustees:

Trustee J. Bowen-Eyre, Chair
Trustee L. Ferguson
Trustee J. Hehr
Trustee J. Hrdlicka
Trustee T. Hurdman (arrived at 1:00 p.m.)
Trustee P. King
Trustee A. Stewart

Administration:

Ms. S. Church, Deputy Chief Superintendent of Schools
Mr. D. Breton, Superintendent, Facilities and Environmental Services
Ms. W. Bulbuck, on behalf of Mr. G. Francis, Superintendent, Human Resources
Ms. J. Everett, Superintendent, Learning
Mr. B. Grundy, Superintendent, Finance/Technology Services
Ms. M. Martin-Esposito, Chief Communications Officer
Ms. K. Fenney, Assistant General Counsel/ Corporate Secretary
Ms. K. Maxwell, Recording Secretary

Stakeholder Representatives:

Mr. K. Kempt, Alberta Teachers’ Association, Local 38
Mr. T. Killam, Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE), Local 40
Ms. L. Robb, Calgary Board of Education Staff Association

1 | **CALL TO ORDER, NATIONAL ANTHEM AND WELCOME**

Chair Bowen-Eyre called the meeting to order on the link at 12:02 p.m. and O Canada was led by students from Eugene Coste School. Trustee Hrdlicka, ward trustee, expressed appreciation on behalf of the Board and the meeting resumed in the Multipurpose Room.

Chair Bowen-Eyre acknowledged the traditional territories and oral practices of the Blackfoot Nations, which includes the Siksika, the Piikani, and the Kainai. She also acknowledged the Tsuut’ina and Stoney Nakoda First Nations, the Métis Nation (Region 3), and all people who make their homes in the Treaty 7 region of Southern Alberta. She acknowledged and welcomed staff, the public and representatives from the aforementioned organizations.

2 | **CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Ms. K. Fenney, Corporate Secretary, noted that there were no changes to the agenda.

MOVED by Trustee Ferguson:

THAT the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of May 23, 2017 be approved, as submitted.

The motion was
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

3 | **AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS**

There were none.

4 | **RESULTS FOCUS**

4.1 **School Presentation – Eugene Coste School**

Director S. Smith, Area 6, welcomed Eugene Coste School to the Boardroom. The school offers a Spanish bilingual program to 260 students from Kindergarten to Grade 3. The program will expand to include Grades 4 and 5 over the next two years. She introduced Principal T. Greenlaw to share how Eugene Coste School approaches Math instruction in a second language.

Principal Greenlaw acknowledged that the presentation was a team effort and thanked previous Principal L. Appelt and interim Principal T. Franks for their input. She explained second language learning in a school context has a positive impact on the development of a student's general cognitive skills. Additionally, students in a bilingual program show higher achievement in a range of subject areas including Mathematics, Science and Language Arts; enhanced creativity and problem-solving abilities; and gain societal, economic and cultural benefits from knowing a second language.

Teachers Ms. J. Michaud and Ms. E. Castro de la Guardia described a Grade 3 interdisciplinary project that touched on the Mathematics, Science, Social Studies, Spanish Language Arts and Health curricula. Students in groups designed imaginary communities with an emphasis on how services, such as water supply, impact quality of life. The project was designed to increase the students' oral Spanish skills while applying Math strategies. Students Aubrie, Santiago, Jackson and Vivian shared their experiences with the project.

On behalf of the Board, Trustee Hrdlicka expressed appreciation for the presentation noting how student engagement in the project naturally promoted Spanish oral skills and made Math fun.

5 | **OPERATIONAL EXPECTATIONS**

There were no items.

6 | **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no public comments.

7 | **MATTERS RESERVED FOR BOARD ACTION**

There were no items.

8 | **CONSENT AGENDA**

The Chair noted that items on the consent agenda are approved with the agenda as follows:

8.1 **OE-10: Instructional Program – Annual Monitoring**

THAT the Board of Trustees approves that the Chief Superintendent is in compliance with the provisions of OE-10: Instructional Program.

8.2 **Items Provided for Board Information**

8.2.1 Correspondence

8.2.2 Chief Superintendent's Update

Recessed: 12:30 p.m.

Reconvened: 12:51 p.m.

9 | **IN-CAMERA SESSION**

Motion to Move In Camera

MOVED by Trustee Hrdlicka:

Whereas the Board of Trustees is of the opinion that it is in the public interest that matters on the private agenda for the Regular Meeting of May 23, 2017 be considered at an in-camera session, therefore, be it

Resolved, THAT the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees moves in camera.

The motion was
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Motion to Revert to Public Meeting

MOVED by Trustee Stewart:

THAT the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees moves out of in camera.

The motion was
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Motions to Action In-Camera Recommendations

MOVED by Trustee Stewart:

THAT the Board of Trustees approves the ratification of the Memorandum of Agreement in the matter of the Central Table Teacher Collective Bargaining between the Teachers' Employer Bargaining Association and the Alberta Teachers' Association expiring August 31, 2018.

The motion was
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

10 | **ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Bowen-Eyre declared the meeting adjourned at 1:13 p.m.