

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 21, 2019 at 12:00 noon

MEETING ATTENDANCE

Board of Trustees

In Attendance:

Trustee T. Hurdman, Chair
Trustee A. Adams
Trustee M. Bradshaw
Trustee M. Dennis
Trustee R. Hehr
Trustee J. Hrdlicka

Absent:

Trustee L. Davis

Administration:

Mr. C. Usih, Chief Superintendent of Schools
Mr. D. Breton, Superintendent, Facilities and Environmental Services
Mr. B. Grundy, Superintendent, Finance/Technology Services and Acting Superintendent, Human Resources
Ms. S. Smith, Acting Superintendent, Learning
Ms. C. Betz on behalf of Ms. M. Martin-Esposito, Chief Communications Officer
Ms. K. Fenney, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary
Ms. T. Minor, Associate Corporate Secretary
Ms. M. Broda, Recording Secretary

Stakeholder Representatives:

Mr. M. Christison, Senior High School Principals' Association
Mr. B. Cocking, Alberta Teachers' Association, Local 38
Mr. C. Easton, Calgary Board of Education Staff Association
Mr. T. Killam, Canadian Union of Public Employees, Local 40
Ms. L. Robb, Calgary Board of Education Staff Association

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

Chair Hurdman called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. on the Link and O Canada was led by the All Boys Program Division 1 Choir. On behalf of the Board of Trustees, Trustee Hehr expressed appreciation to the choir for their pre-meeting performance and



leading the singing of our national anthem. The Chair called for a short recess for people to assemble in the Multipurpose Room.

Prycen, a Grade 4 student from the All Boys Program acknowledged the traditional territories and oral practices of the Blackfoot Nations, which includes the Siksika, the Piikani, and the Kainai. He 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.

Chair Hurdman acknowledged and welcomed representatives from the aforementioned organizations.

2 | **CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Ms. T. Minor, Associate Corporate Secretary, noted that the proposed change to the agenda was the removal of the October 30, 2018 Special Meeting minutes from the agenda.

MOVED by Trustee Hehr:

THAT the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of May 21, 2019, be approved as submitted, subject to the revision noted above.

Chair Hurdman called for the vote on the motion.

The motion was
CARRIED.

In favour:	Trustee Adams Trustee Bradshaw Trustee Dennis Trustee Hehr Trustee Hurdman
Opposed:	Trustee Hrdlicka

3 | **AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS**

There were no items.

4 | **RESULTS FOCUS**

4.1. **All Boys Program Presentation**

Mr. C. Davies, Area 7 Director, welcomed staff and students from the All Boys Program and from Ernest Manning High School and he noted their presentation would focus on Results 5: Character.

Mr. T. Baustad, Principal of the All Boys Program, spoke about the values of the All Boys Program: being a knight; care for self; care for others; and care for this place. The All Boys Program is a Kindergarten to Grade 6 alternative program that strives to meet the



needs of boys who want to have a single gender learning experience. The core belief at the school is that every student is capable and has the ability within to be successful in their learning every day.

Students Prycen, Harrison, and Liam from the All Boys Program, spoke about what care for others and helping in the community looks like to them: cheering others on, listening to others and celebrating what they have learned; doing things that benefit others and being inclusive; and thinking of ways to help others, including working in and helping in the bio dome, a project that teaches sustainability.

Ms. R. Jacobi, Learning Leader for the All Boys Program, spoke about the work the school did with the Ernest Manning High School Students to create a digital story. A video of the digital story was shared.

Students from Ernest Manning High School Curtis, Damon, and Keira spoke about the great experiences they had working with the students from the All Boys Program. They enjoyed mentoring and teaching the students about the fundamentals of film and video production. The experience has built the character of both the All Boys Program students and the Ernest Manning High School students who took part.

Principal Baustad thanked the students from Ernest Manning High School. He is proud of the work and mentorship the students provided. He said character is about making the right choice when nobody is looking.

Trustee Hehr, on behalf of the Board of Trustees, thanked the students for coming and presenting.

5 | **OPERATIONAL EXPECTATIONS**

There were no items.

6 | **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no public comments.

7 | **MATTERS RESERVED FOR BOARD ACTION**

7.1 **Schools Commissioning**

Chief Superintendent Usih introduced the report, stating the report is asking for capital reserve funding to be used to ensure successful learning environments for students and staff in new and replacement schools, as well as one currently undergoing a modernization. The funds are proposed to be used at 11 CBE schools. The Government of Alberta provides funding for eligible furniture and equipment, but additional items such as CTS equipment, technology devices for students, learning commons resources and staff time to coordinate furniture and equipment placement are not covered. Money is also required for landscaping issues at nine other schools recently opened.



Administration responded to trustee questions on matters including: prevention of spending additional money on landscaping issues; and the landscaping guidelines that Alberta Infrastructure is required to follow.

MOVED by Trustee Hehr:

THAT the Board of Trustees approves a budget expenditure of up to \$2,579,000 from capital reserves to undertake additional schools commissioning for recently completed schools and major modernization projects.

Trustee comments in debate of the motion included: CBE is a growing system and must incur these additional costs for an effective learning environment; modernizations are required as 50 percent of CBE schools are over 50 years old; the school system is responsible to ensure facilities and learning spaces are in line with curriculum expectations set out by the Government; this money is all about supporting the student and ensuring they have everything they need to be successful; landscaping is important since outdoor space is also a place for learning; continued advocacy to the Provincial Government is needed as the funding provided falls short, but in the meantime, it's the responsibility of the CBE to ensure spaces are adequate; the sustainability of continuing to fund the gap is concerning; and advocacy is essential to ensure the values of the Board are met in relation to the learning environment and treatment of students.

Chair Hurdman called for the vote on the motion.

The motion was
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

7.2 Proposed Amendments to Governance Policy Results 2: Academic Success

Chair Hurdman made opening comments, stating that this report represents work done by the Trustees at an earlier session related to the motion passed at the February 12, 2019 Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees to review the indicators for Results 2: Academic Success policy.

Administration responded to a trustee's question on timelines when a response on impacts could be expected.

MOVED by Trustee Adams:

- 1. THAT the Board of Trustees gives first reading to the amendment of Results policy 2: Academic Success, as provided in the Attachment to the report.**
- 2. THAT the Chief Superintendent informs the Board of significant organizational impacts, if any, that would result from these proposed changes.**



The Chair asked whether the Board wished to consider the motions together or separately. The Board agreed to consider the motions together.

Trustee comments in debate of the motion included: changes to this policy will help to make better, well rounded reports; thanks to the staff for their support; making these changes to include all students will better support student success; appreciate the additions and changes made; and it is important to look at the full program of studies.

Chair Hurdman called for the vote on the motion.

The motion was
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

8 | **CONSENT AGENDA**

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

8.1 **OE-9: Facilities – Annual Monitoring**

THAT the Board of Trustees approves that the Chief Superintendent is in compliance with the provisions of Operational Expectation 9: Facilities.

8.2 **Approval of Minutes**

- Regular Meeting held March 12, 2019
- Regular Meeting held March 19, 2019
- Regular Meeting held April 9, 2019
- Regular Meeting held April 16, 2019
- Regular Meeting held April 30, 2019

THAT the Board of Trustees approves the minutes of the Regular Meetings as noted above, as submitted.

8.3 **Items Provided for Board Information**

8.3.1 EducationMatters – Financial Statements as at March 31, 2019

8.3.2 Chief Superintendent's Update

Chair Hurdman noted that the Board would meet in-camera following this public portion of the meeting to discuss two legal and three governance items. She noted the next public Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 11, 2019.

Recessed: 12:46 p.m.
Reconvened: 1:16 p.m.



Trustee Davis joined the meeting at 1:16 p.m.

9 | **IN-CAMERA SESSION**

Motion to Move In-Camera

MOVED by Trustee Adams:

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 the Board of Trustees, February 12, 2019, 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 Hrdlicka:

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

The motion was
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Motion to Action In-Camera Recommendation

MOVED by Trustee Hehr:

THAT the Board of Trustees approves the reappointment of Liana Appelt as Governor of EducationMatters for an additional three-year term, from May 17, 2019 to May 17, 2022.

The motion was
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOVED by Trustee Davis:

THAT the Board of Trustees approves the reappointment of Mark Saar as Governor of EducationMatters for an additional three-year term, from May 26, 2019 to May 26, 2022.

The motion was
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.



MOVED by Trustee Adams:

THAT the Board of Trustees authorizes the Board Chair to execute the correspondence as discussed in-camera.

The motion was
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOVED by Trustee Hehr:

THAT the Board of Trustees directs the service provider to determine inclusion of matters within the project scope and take any follow-up actions as discussed in-camera.

Trustee Davis declared a conflict of interest.

The motion was
DEFEATED.

In favour:	Trustee Adams Trustee Hehr Trustee Hurdman
Opposed:	Trustee Bradshaw Trustee Dennis Trustee Hrdlicka
Abstained:	Trustee Davis

10 | **ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Hurdman declared the meeting adjourned at 5:16 p.m.

