

CALGARY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees (the “Board”) held on Tuesday, June 9, 2020 at 12:00 p.m. through Skype

MEETING ATTENDANCE (Virtual)

Board of Trustees:

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

Administration:

Mr. C. Usih, Chief Superintendent of Schools
Mr. R. Armstrong, Superintendent, Human Resources
Mr. D. Breton, Superintendent, Facilities and Environmental Services
Ms. K. Fenney, General Counsel
Mr. B. Grundy, Superintendent, Finance/Technology Services
Ms. M. Martin-Esposito, Chief Communications Officer
Ms. J. Pitman, Superintendent, School Improvement
Dr. D. Yee, Superintendent, School Improvement
Ms. T. Minor, Corporate Secretary
Ms. D. Perrier, Board Administrator

1 | CALL TO ORDER, NATIONAL ANTHEM AND WELCOME

Chair Dennis called the meeting to order at 12:01 p.m. and O Canada was led by students from Sunalta School by way of a pre-recorded video.

Chair Dennis 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.

The Chair welcomed trustees and superintendents participating in the Board of Trustees’ virtual public Board meeting. She also welcomed staff and the public joining on the livestreamed meeting.

2 | CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Ms. Minor, Corporate Secretary, noted a request was made to remove Item 9.2.1, Construction Projects Status Report, from the consent agenda for discussion immediately following the consent agenda.



MOVED by Trustee Hurdman:

THAT the Board of Trustees approves the agenda for the Regular Meeting of June 9, 2020 as submitted, subject to the change noted above.

The motion was
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

3 | **AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS**

There were no awards or recognitions.

4 | **RESULTS FOCUS**

There were no reports or presentations.

5 | **OPERATIONAL EXPECTATIONS**

There were no reports.

6 | **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no public comments.

7 | **MATTERS RESERVED FOR BOARD INFORMATION**

There were no reports.

8 | **MATTERS RESERVED FOR BOARD DECISION**

8.1 **Results 5: Character – Annual Monitoring**

Chief Superintendent Usih provided highlights of the annual monitoring report. Administration responded to trustee questions in reference to policy subsection 5.1 on matters including, overall reticence on the part of students to speak up when they disagree with school rules or a decision made by a staff member, clarification on further exploration of the reasoning, and capacity building; and when target adjustments are required and determined. Trustee questions related to policy subsections 5.2 and 5.3, included: the downward trend in the percentage of Divisions 2 and 3 students who make responsible decisions; the work anticipated in support of schools in the creation and communication of Digital Citizenship plans; and what a re-evaluation of the target might look like.

Additional questions posed by trustees and addressed by Administration included: The percentage of students that participated in the survey; plans underway to address social emotional learning and mental health when students return to classroom learning; and the focus for more intentional work and professional development on matters of racism and oppression.



MOVED by Trustee Hehr:

THAT the Board of Trustees has reviewed the monitoring report for Results 5: Character and concludes that reasonable progress is being made toward the ultimate achievement of this Results policy.

In debate of the motion, trustee comments included: this is an integral and worthy policy; it is a work in progress; character is a very important part of our education system; indicator 1 for policy subsections 5.2 and 5.3 was missed by .2% and .1% respectively, but because the results are high, reasonable progress is being made; good character is critical to success; the data shows that one-third of our students are not speaking up and where targets have not been met in specific areas, that should be acknowledged; and, although the report shows exceptional results, there is always room for improvement.

Chair Dennis called for the vote on the motion.

The motion was
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

9 | **CONSENT AGENDA**

Chair Dennis noted the following items approved as submitted with the consent agenda:

9.1 **Item Provided for Board Approval**

9.1.1 OE-9: Facilities – Annual Monitoring

THAT the Board of Trustees approves that the Chief Superintendent is in compliance with the provisions of policy OE-9: Facilities.

9.1.2 Minutes of the Board Meetings held:

- April 14, 2020 Regular Meeting
- April 28, 2020 Regular Meeting
- May 4, 2020 Special Meeting
- May 12, 2020 Regular Meeting

THAT the Board of Trustees approves the Minutes of the Regular Meetings held April 14, April 28 and May 12, 2020 and the Special Meeting held May 4, 2020 as submitted.

9.2 **Items Provided for Board Information**

9.2.2 Three-Year System Student Accommodation Plan 2020-2023

9.2.3 Third Quarter Budget Variance Report for the 2019-20 Budget

9.2.1 **Construction Projects Status Report**



Superintendent Breton responded to a trustee's questions on the status of the north high school construction and potential school opening date.

Chair Dennis noted that the Board would meet in camera following the public portion of the meeting to discuss two labour, one legal and two strategic planning matters. The next public Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 16, 2020.

Recessed: 1:33 p.m.
Reconvened: 1:48 p.m.

10| **IN-CAMERA SESSION**

All Trustees and Superintendents confirmed they were alone and in a location that no other person could hear them or any part of this meeting.

MOTION TO MOVE IN-CAMERA

MOVED by Trustee Bradshaw:

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, June 9, 2020, 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 Hurdman:

THAT the Board of Trustees approves the correspondence regarding the Annual Summative Evaluation of the Chief Superintendent as submitted in Attachment I to the private report.

The motion was
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.



11 | **ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Dennis declared the meeting adjourned at 3:57 p.m.

