



## Public Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday Nov. 22, 2017

6:30 – 9:00 p.m.

North Middle School

211 McKnight Blvd. NE

Calgary, AB

**Attendees:** Cindy McGlashan-Beaucage (Chair), Wayne Weinheimer (Vice-Chair), Shelley Schroh, Cristian Rios, Amish Patel, Pamela Wilson, Andrew Chu, Roger Nippard, Kurtis Leinweber, Joan Burke, Lorne McDonald, Meredith Poole, Jeff Cullen

**Presenters:** John Deines, Shawna Drummond, Aaron Byford, John Kostas, Michelle Lisiecki, Effie Garvey, Candace Kraushaar, Olana Thompson

**Gallery:** Cliff Sanderson, Faruq Suleman, Jim Poirier, Colin Sheldon, Naren Makwana, Harpreet & Venus Tathgur, Danny Williamson, Preston Lowther, Jim Poirier, Sam Lien, Jyleen Wong

### 6:30 PUBLIC BOARD MEETING

1. Review of Meeting Agenda – No changes.

2. Approval of Consent Agenda

**17/11/22 – 1CA**

MOVED by Director Schroh and seconded by Director Patel that the Consent Agenda for Nov. 22, 2017 be approved as presented. CARRIED.

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3. Audit

3.1 Audit Committee Report

**17/11/22 – 1RA**

MOVED by Director Wilson and seconded by Director Patel that, on the recommendation of the Audit Committee, the Board approve an IT security audit to be performed by Collins Barrow Calgary LLP, at a cost of no more than \$3500. CARRIED.

3.2 Auditor's Report

3.2.1 Audited Financial Statements

**17/11/22 – 2RA**

MOVED by Director Wilson and seconded by Director Patel that the 2016-2017 Audited Financial Statements be approved as presented, that the information be shared with stakeholders at the Annual General Meeting, and that it be entered into Alberta Education's spreadsheet format and forwarded to them. CARRIED.

3.2.2 Appointment of Auditors

**17/11/22 – 3RA**

MOVED by Director Wilson and seconded by Director Patel that the Board recommend that the Society approve the recommendation of administration that Collins Barrow Calgary LLP, Chartered Accountants be appointed Auditors for the 2017-18 school year.

4. Campus/ASC Reports

4.1 NMS Campus Report: Kids Go Global! – Staff from NMS presented on their activities related to the "Kids Go Global" theme through 1. Trickster Theatre (three objectives: to investigate and raise awareness of global issues, to facilitate social enterprise, and to develop personal characteristics, such as empathy, among students, and 2. Connecting with the Rozsa Foundation and their research on Socially Empowered Learning (each class selected a global issue, such as disaster relief, education, human/animal rights, etc.) to explore.

Some learnings for future endeavours include linking more closely to what is going on in classrooms, working more with SLC and Administration, and taking better advantage of the ICT aspects of Trickster. Feedback from the students was positive.

The SLC at NMS has grown and morphed considerably, and has become a vehicle to explore leadership opportunities through such vehicles as Me to We, We are Silent, Stuff-a-Sock, Veterans' Food Bank, Walk for Water, Women in Need, and more. The staff involved presented on their initiatives to the attendees at the recent TAAPCS Conference at Aurora Charter School.

4.2 ASC – No report.

## 5. Policies

### 5.1 Policy 10 Policy Making

**17/11/22 – 4RA**

MOVED by Director Rios and seconded by Director Patel that Policy 10 Policy Making be approved for Third Reading. CARRIED.

### 5.2 Policy 14 Uniforms

**17/11/22 – 5RA**

MOVED by Director Schroh and seconded by Director Patel that Policy 14 Uniforms be approved for Second Reading as amended.

Amendments proposed as below:

**17/11/22 – 5.1RA**

MOVED by Director Weinheimer and seconded by Director Schroh that the motion be amended to read “.....*Policy 14 Uniforms as sent out with the Board package on November 17, 2017.*” CARRIED.

**17/11/22 – 5.2RA**

MOVED by Director Chu and seconded by Director Patel that Policy 14 Uniforms as distributed on November 17, 2017 be amended to include the legal references as specified. CARRIED.

**17/11/22 – 5.3RA**

MOVED by Director Chu and seconded by Director Rios that Motion 17/11/22 – 5RA be amended to permit reformatting of the tables to show which uniform pieces go together. CARRIED.

**17/11/22 – 5.4RA**

MOVED by Director Chu and seconded by Director Wilson that Policy 14 Uniforms be amended to include an appendix containing a visual representation of the uniform pieces. DEFEATED.

Original Motion repeated:

**17/11/22 – 5RA**

MOVED by Director Schroh and seconded by Director Patel that Policy 14 Uniforms be approved for Second Reading as amended. CARRIED.

### 5.3 Policy 20 School Fees

**17/11/22 – 6RA**

MOVED by Director Schroh and seconded by Director Patel that Policy 20 School Fees be approved for Second Reading as amended. CARRIED.

**17/11/22 – 6.1RA**

MOVED by Director Schroh and seconded by Director Wilson that Motion 17/11-22 – 6RA be amended to read “.....*that Policy 20 School Fees as distributed on November 17, 2017 be approved.....*”. Motion withdrawn.

**17/11/22 – 6.2RA**

MOVED by Director Schroh and seconded by Director Rios that Policy 20 School Fees be amended to exclude any reference to Bill1. CARRIED.

6. Superintendent's Report – i) Congratulations and thanks to Reta Morgan for another clean audit. ii) The lease for our second tenant was signed today; they should be moved in by mid-December. Renovations to Central Office are still underway. iii) Our high school results as reported in the recent Fraser Rankings are excellent: 12<sup>th</sup> in the province and 2<sup>nd</sup> in Calgary among public high schools. Moreover, last year saw the highest amount of scholarship dollars earned by students in FFCA's history, with 7 alumni receiving the U. of C. President's Scholarship of nearly \$40,000 in total. iv) the high school project is still in the works with the next meeting to be held on Dec. 6. v) Leadership of Learning meetings with David Townsend and Marilyn Chaseling have just finished for this month. We will be getting another visit from an Australian delegation next April 23/24. vi) Bill 28 Amendments to the School Act contains several items which affect us, including requirements for cooperative transportation agreements, the elimination of the 2.4 km. walk distance, Kindergarten age of entry, etc. There is also a requirement that Boards develop a Trustee Code of Conduct for Sept. 2018; FFCA already has one in place.

7. Information Items

7.1 Standing Item: Administrative Procedure Update – No updates.

7.2 Standing Item: Strategic Plan Update

7.2.1 Broaden programs offered – No updates.

7.2.2 Diversify instructional programming – No updates.

7.2.3 Establish a support system for research and innovation – We have received a plaque which serves as official confirmation of our active involvement in the Partner Research Schools Initiative.

7.2.4 Partner in new ways – No updates.

7.3 Fall Budget Update – There were no major changes and the overall total has not changed.

8. Discussion Items

8.1 2018-2019 Calendars

**17/11/22 – 7RA**

MOVED by Director Schroh and seconded by Director Weinheimer that the 2018-2019 FFCA Calendars be approved as presented. CARRIED.

8.2 3YEP/AERR

**17/11/22 – 8RA**

MOVED by Director Schroh and seconded by Director Rios that the 2016-17 AERR be approved as presented.

MOVED by Director Patel and seconded by Director Wilson that approval of the 2016-17 AERR be postponed to the December Board meeting. CARRIED.

8.3 AGM Agenda

**17/11/22 – 9RA**

MOVED by Director Schroh and seconded by Director Weinheimer that the 2017 AGM Agenda be approved as amended. CARRIED.

Amendment as proposed below:

**17/11/22 – 9.1RA**

MOVED by Director Chu and seconded by Director Weinheimer that Item 3 on the 2017 AGM Agenda be changed to read "*Board Election and Results*". CARRIED.

9. Committees

9.1 Charter Board Committee of the Whole – Meets for 2-3 hours once per month to prepare for the public meetings.

9.2 Executive Committee – Meets twice per month regarding any updates/emergent issues. Efforts recently have been directed toward planning the retreat sessions.

9.3 Community Relations Committee – Permission has been granted by the campuses to allow the Board to place updates in their newsletters; the next will be written by Director Rios. The committee will be planning an opportunity for a mixer with the new Board members in January.

9.4 Human Resources Committee – The second Meet & Greet for new Board candidates/interested parties will be held on Nov. 29, 7:00-9:00 p.m. at Central Office; the cut-off date for nominations is Nov. 30.

**17/11/22 – 10RA**

MOVED by Director Patel and seconded by Director Weinheimer that the Board appoint Roger Nippard as Chief Electoral Officer for the 2017 Board election. Mr. Nippard will in turn appoint a Returning Officer who will subsequently appoint two Deputy Returning Officers. CARRIED.

9.5 Audit Committee – See Item 3.1.

9.6 TAAPCS Board Rep Report – See written report.

**17/11/22 – 11RA**

MOVED by Director Chu and seconded by Director Patel that the Board approve the TAAPCS Executive Advisory Committee motion to levy membership fees of \$1500 per member school and \$5 per student.

**17/11/22 – 11.1RA**

MOVED by Director Weinheimer and seconded by Director Wilson that the Board approve that the issue of TAAPCS membership fees be referred to a working session of the FFCA Board of Directors. CARRIED.

**17/11/22 – 12RA**

MOVED by Director Chu and seconded by Director Patel that the Board appoint Director Wilson as the voting delegate to the December 7, 2017 vote on TAAPCS membership dues.

Motion to amend:

**17/11/22 – 12.1RA**

Moved by Director Wilson and seconded by Director Chu that the Board allow the TAAPCS Committee to appoint an alternate delegate to the December 7, 2017 vote on TAAPCS membership dues in the event that Director Wilson is unable to assume the role of delegate. CARRIED.

9.7 Director Highlights – Director Patel: Board Meet & Greet on Nov. 15/17; Vice-Chair Weinheimer: TAAPCS meeting in Edmonton; Director Schroh: Night of the Phoenix; Director Rios: Remembrance Day assembly at SMS; Director Wilson: Audit Committee work; Director Chu: keynote speaker Aaron Paquette at TAAPCS Conference; Chair McGlashan-Beaucage: TAAPCS Conference.

10. Open to Gallery – No comments.

11. Chairperson's Remarks – Chair McGlashan-Beaucage thanked the attendees for coming to, and participating in, the meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT:** 9:14 p.m.

**NEXT PUBLIC MEETING:** December 20, 2017

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:** Future - Inclusion (Jim Poirier, Doug Lamb)