



Chinook's Edge School Division
Board of Trustees

Date: Wednesday, October 6, 2021
Time: 9:00 AM
Location: Google Meet

Attendance

Trustees Present: C. Butler, H. Bilton, S. Cooper, M. Copley, C. Huelsman, T. James, G. Kerr, J. Knispel-Matejka, A. Tarnoczi

Staff: S. Bexon - Communications Officer, S. Russell, Associate Superintendent Corporate Services, K. Sacher - Superintendent/CEO, S. Babb - Executive Assistant to the Superintendent, S. Westwood - Administrative Assistant/Recording Secretary

Call to Order

Chair H. Bilton called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Land Acknowledgement • Treaty 7 - attachment

Trustee H. Bilton opened the meeting with a Treaty 7 Land Acknowledgement.

Agenda/Minutes Approval

Agenda Approval

Resolution # 202110006001BOT

Moved By: M. Copley

Motion to approve the agenda as presented.

Carried

Minutes Approval

Resolution # 20211006002BOT

Moved By: S. Cooper

Motion that Chinook's Edge School Division Board of Trustees approve the minutes of the 2021 June 23 Board of Trustees Meeting.

Carried

In Camera

It was noted that C. Butler, H. Bilton, S. Cooper, M. Copley, C. Huelsman, T. James, G. Kerr, J. Knispel-Matejka, A. Tarnoczi.

S. Russell, R. Hoppins and K. Sacher remained in the meeting at this time.

Resolution # 20211006003BOT

Moved By: M. Copley

Motion to move In Camera at 9:03 a.m.

Carried

Agenda Clarification

The Board of Trustees reviewed the agenda for clarification.

9:20 a.m. C. Huelsman left the meeting

Personnel

Associate Superintendent People Services R. Hoppins provided an update on personnel items during the In Camera portion of the meeting.

9:38 a.m. R. Hoppins left the meeting.

Superintendent's Personnel Update

Superintendent K. Sacher provided an update on personnel items during the In Camera portion of the meeting.

Accounts Payable

The accounts payable cheques over \$500.00 dollars and the deposits for September 2021 were reviewed during the In Camera portion of the meeting.

Visa

Visa purchases over \$500.00 for June 24th to August 23, 2021 were reviewed during the In Camera portion of the meeting.

Facilities Update

Associate Superintendent Corporate Services S. Russell provided a facilities update during the In Camera portion of the meeting.

Negotiations Committee / TEBA Update

Trustee S. Cooper and Associate Superintendent Corporate Services S. Russell provided an update on negotiations during the In Camera portion of the meeting.

Resolution # 20211006004BOT

Moved By: T. James

Motion to return to the regular meet at 10:03 a.m.

Carried

Recess: 10:03 a.m.

Reconvene: 10:15 a.m.

New Business

Surplus Property Verbal Update

Associate Superintendent Corporate Services S. Russell shared that there is no surplus property to report.

Field Trip Administrative Procedures

Associate Superintendent Corporate Services S. Russell provided an update on the field trip administrative procedure. S. Russell noted that with the divisions new insurance provider the list of prohibited activities has expanded.

Out of Province Professional Development Report

Nothing to report at this time.

Modular Application

Associate Superintendent Corporate Services S. Russell shared that Chinook's Edge will not be applying to the modular classroom program for 2022.

Transportation Quarterly Report

Associate Superintendent Corporate Services S. Russell provided the Transportation Quarterly Report.

Capital Plan Advocacy Check-in

Board Chair H. Bilton led a discussion regarding Capital Plan Advocacy. Trustees will be provided with key points for discussion when speaking with local MLA's and Ministers.

School Viability / Closure

Superintendent K. Sacher spoke to school viability/closure. At this time there are no schools where he will be recommending a viability study or closure.

Roy E. Cope Award

Superintendent K. Sacher presented Trustee C. Butler with the Roy E. Cope award.

10:35 a.m. C. Hueslman returned to the meeting.

Christmas Recognition

The Board discussed options for Christmas recognition as the division is unable to continue the regular traditions due to COVID-19 restrictions. This will be discussed again at a future meeting.

Rural Education Symposium Reminder

The Rural Education Symposium is being held March 6th to 8th at the Fantasyland Hotel in Edmonton. Further information to follow in the coming months.

COVID Update

Superintendent K. Sacher led a lengthy discussion with trustees regarding mandatory vaccinations for Chinook's Edge employees.

K. Sacher on behalf of the Board of Trustees will be sending out an anonymous survey to staff regarding vaccinations.

A one page document on the latest COVID information will be shared with trustees.

Associate Superintendent Corporate Services S. Russell shared that voluntary COVID Rapid Testing for staff will begin the week of October 12th.

Communications Officer S. Bexon shared draft messaging on the COVID-19 Update for review by the Board of Trustees.

K. Sacher spoke to spectators in schools. COLT is attempting to find a balance for both middle school and high school.

K. Sacher spoke to contact tracing returning to school. Trustees asked for clarification on what an outbreak is: Alert is five to nine students and Outbreak is 10 plus students.

Trustees suggested that an Administrative Procedure may be required regarding moving students to online learning. K. Sacher and S. Russell will look at this and bring information back to the Board.

Resolution # 20211006005BOT

Moved By: T. James

Motion to direct the Superintendent to bring information to the Board of Trustees regarding maintaining operations if a decision was made to mandate vaccinations for all staff.

Carried

Superintendent Update

Superintendent K. Sacher updated the Board on the following:

- Indigenous Week: Associate Superintendent Learning Services J. Drent did a tremendous job. K. Sacher thanked Communications Officer S. Bexon for the updates online. Trustees commended the division for a job well done.
- Teachers Matter - October 1st
- Inclement Weather
- Online Streaming of Board Meetings: Associate Superintendent Corporate Services S. Russell will have a solution prior to the November 10th Board meeting.
- Inductee Event has been postponed
- Alternative Learning
- Collaborative Day Communication - There will be a corporate media release and local information to parents from administrators.

Recess: 11:54 a.m.

Reconvene: 1:02 p.m.

Committees

Audit Committee

No meeting prior to this meeting.

Education Committee (September 22nd)

The minutes of the 2021 September 22nd Education Committee meeting were provided for review.

Resolution # 20211006006BOT

Moved By: S. Cooper

Motion that Chinook's Edge School Division Board of Trustees extend the appointment of the firm of MNP as the Division Auditors for one year ending August 31, 2022.

Carried

Resolution # 20211006007BOT

Moved By: G. Kerr

Motion that Chinook's Edge School Division Board of Trustees extend the banking services of Servus Credit Union for one year ending July 31, 2023.

Carried

Facilities and Maintenance Committee

No meeting prior to this meeting.

Policy Committee

No meeting prior to this meeting.

Stakeholder Relations Committee (September 14th)

Board representative J. Knispel-Matejka provided a verbal update from the 2021 September 14 Stakeholder Relations Committee meeting. The minutes were provided for review.

Transportation Committee

Board representative C. Butler provided a verbal update from the 2021 October 5 Transportation Committee meeting. The minutes were provided for review.

Board Evaluation Process Adhoc Committee

Nothing to report.

Strategic Planning Adhoc Committee

Nothing to report.

Regular Business

Enrolments - attachment

Superintendent K. Sacher shared enrolment numbers as of September 29, 2021. The remote learning numbers have been added to the enrolment document.

Correspondence

No correspondence to review.

Trip Requests

None received.

Trustee Remuneration and Expenses

Board Chair H. Bilton called for trustee remuneration and expense sheets for September 2021.

Board Work Plan - 2021/2022

The Board Work Plan was provided for review.

Alberta School Boards Association

Board representative C. Butler provided a verbal update on recent ASBA items:

- The September 27th, 2021 Zone 4 meeting highlights were attached for review.
- The annual general meeting is November 1st.

- ASBA Zone 4 will need to be informed of the new Zone 4 representative from Chinook's Edge.
- The November ASBA FGM will be a hybrid event and Chinook's Edge Trustees will discuss online attendance at the Organizational meeting.

Canadian School Boards Association

No updates at this time.

National School Boards Association

No updates at this time.

Rural Caucus

No updates at this time.

Trustee Professional Development Reports

No reports at this time.

Trustee Round Table

Trustees provided updates on their wards.

Board Chair H. Bilton thanked retiring trustees for all of their work on behalf of students at Chinook's Edge.

Meeting Duration

Trustees discussed and agreed to meeting hours for reporting.

Adjournment

Resolution # 20211006008BOT

Moved By: C. Butler

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 2:17 p.m.

Carried

H. Bilton - Chair

M. Copley - Vice Chair

S. Russell - Corporate Secretary