



# BOARD MEETING MINUTES

September 16, 2020

The special meeting of the Elk Island Public Schools Board of Trustees was held on Wednesday, September 16, 2020, in the Boardroom, Central Services, Sherwood Park, Alberta. The Board of Trustees meeting convened with Board Chair Trina Boymook calling the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

## BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

On site:

T. Boymook, Board Chair  
C. Holowaychuk, Vice-Chair  
R. Footz  
D. Irwin  
A. Hubick  
J. Seutter  
H. Stadnick

Via video conference:

S. Gordon  
H. Wall

## ADMINISTRATION PRESENT

M. Liguori, Superintendent  
S. Stoddard, Associate Superintendent, Supports for Students  
C. Cole, Secretary-Treasurer  
L. McNabb, Director, Communication Services  
C. Langford-Pickering, Executive Assistant/Recording Secretary

## CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 2:00 p.m. with all trustees noted above in attendance.

## TREATY 6 ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Board Chair Boymook called the meeting to order and acknowledged with respect the history, spirituality, and culture and languages of the First Nations people with whom Treaty 6 was signed, the territory wherein EIPS resides. We acknowledge our responsibility as Treaty members. We also honour the heritage and gifts of the Métis people.

## AGENDA

Board Chair Boymook called for a motion to accept the Agenda as presented.

156/2020 | Vice-Chair Holowaychuk moved: That the Agenda be adopted, as presented.

*CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY*

## New Business

### FALL BUDGET ADJUSTMENT

Superintendent Liguori shared administration is proposing a Fall budget adjustment as per attachment 1 to deal with the additional COVID related expenses. Potentially additional funds required from the Division to support optimal learning environments for our students and staff.

157/2020 | Trustee Irwin moved: That the Board of Trustees approve the Fall budget adjustment as per Attachment 1 to deal with emergent COVID related expenses.

Secretary-Treasurer Cole walked the Board through the Fall Budget Adjustment 2020-21 Board Summary report.

Board Chair Boymook opened the floor for questions.

Secretary-Treasurer Cole shared the School Allocation list by school for the Trustees to review. Superintendent Liguori shared that the allocation methodology will address the learner issues.

Board Chair Boymook opened the floor for a second and third round of questions.

*Vice-Chair Holowaychuk left the meeting at 3:20 p.m. and returned at 3:23 p.m.*

Board Chair Boymook identified if funds are not needed for the purpose outlined here, funds are to be returned to the Division or reallocated by the Board. Trustees asked for an amendment to the motion.

158/2020 | Board Chair Boymook moved: That the Board of Trustees amend Motion 157/2020 to read:

That the Board of Trustees approve the Fall budget adjustment as per Attachment 1 to deal with emergent COVID related expenses **and any dollars not needed for the purpose that have been outlined in Attachment 1 be returned to the Board for possible reallocation or put back in Division reserves.**

Board Chair Boymook opened the floor forum for questions from the Board on the amendment.

Vote on the amendment: *CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY*

Trustee Irwin called the question. Board Chair Boymook acknowledged the question, however, had further comments and proposed setting criteria for the additional school allocations and handling the allocations in a similar manner of the leveraging achievement fund.

Superintendent Liguori defined the criteria for the additional school allocations to address three broad areas: learning gaps, class size and mental health supports. Senior Administration will track and bring action back to the Board.

Further discussion was carried.

Vote on amended Motion 157/2020: *CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY*

### ADJOURNMENT

Board Chair Boymook declared the meeting adjourned at 3:48 p.m.

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Trina Boymook, Board Chair

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Mark Liguori, Superintendent