



BOARD MEETING MINUTES

August 26, 2021

The regular meeting of the Elk Island Public Schools Board of Trustees was held on Thursday, Aug. 26, 2021, in the Board Room, Central Services, Sherwood Park, Alberta. The Board of Trustees meeting convened with Board Chair Trina Boymook calling the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

T. Boymook, Board Chair
C. Holowaychuk, Vice-Chair
R. Footz
S. Gordon (Via video conference)
A. Hubick
J. Seutter
H. Stadnick
H. Wall

BOARD MEMBER ABSENT

D. Irwin

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT

M. Liguori, Superintendent
S. Stoddard, Associate Superintendent
B. Billey, Associate Superintendent
D. Antymniuk, Division Principal
C. Cole, Secretary-Treasurer
T. Borchers, Executive Assistant/Recording Secretary

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 9:00 a.m. with all trustees noted above in attendance.

IN CAMERA SESSION

[123/2021](#) | Vice-Chair Holowaychuk moved: That the Board meet in camera (9:00 a.m.).

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

[124/2021](#) | Trustee Stadnick moved: That the Board revert to regular session (9:52 a.m.).

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Board recessed at 9:52 a.m. and reconvened at 10:03 a.m. with all trustees noted above in attendance.

TREATY 6 ACKNOWLEDGMENT & EIPS STATEMENT

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 entered into, 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 additions or deletions to the Agenda.

125/2021 | Trustee Seutter moved: That the Agenda be adopted, as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Board Chair Boymook called for confirmation of the June 17, 2021 Board Meeting Minutes.

126/2021 | Vice-Chair Holowaychuk moved: That the Board of Trustees approve the Minutes of June 17, 2021 Board Meeting, as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Board Chair Boymook called for confirmation of the Aug. 18, 2021 Board Meeting Minutes.

127/2021 | Trustee Hubick moved: That the Board of Trustees approve the Minutes of Aug. 18, 2021 Board Meeting, as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CHAIR REPORT

Board Chair Boymook presented the Chair's report.

128/2021 | Board Chair Boymook moved: That the Board of Trustees receive the Chair's report for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Superintendent Liguori presented the Superintendent's report.

129/2021 | Trustee Footz moved: That the Board of Trustees receive the Superintendent's report for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COMMENTS, PRESENTATIONS AND DELEGATIONS AT BOARD MEETINGS

1. Secretary-Treasurer Cole introduced speaker, C. Liddle.

Board Chair Boymook outlined the process for presentations to the Board as per Board Policy 7: Board Operations, Section 10.

The presentation was made to address concerns about the mandatory masking requirement of students and to promote the opportunity of choice.

Board Chair Boymook extended the invitation for Trustees to ask questions for clarification.

2. Secretary-Treasurer Cole introduced speaker, H. Andruchow.

Board Chair Boymook outlined the process for presentations to the Board as per Board Policy 7: Board Operations, Section 10.

The presentation was made to address concerns about the mandatory masking requirement of students and to request the Board reconsider its decision.

Board Chair Boymook extended the invitation for Trustees to ask questions for clarification.

3. Secretary-Treasurer Cole introduced speakers, M. Sinfield and D. Vermette.

Board Chair Boymook outlined the process for presentations to the Board as per Board Policy 7: Board Operations, Section 10.

The presentations were made in support of the mandatory masking requirement of students in schools.

Board Chair Boymook extended the invitation for Trustees to ask questions for clarification.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, Board Chair Boymook expressed appreciation and thanked the Public Delegations for taking the time to present their concerns.

Association and Local Reports

ATA LOCAL REPORT

Board Chair Boymook welcomed ATA representative D. Zielke. Representative Zielke presented the Local ATA report to the Board.

130/2021 | Trustee Seutter moved: That the Board of Trustees receive the report from the representative of the ATA Local #28 for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Business Arising from Previous Meeting

No business arising from the previous meeting.

New Business

BUSINESS ARISING FROM IN CAMERA

131/2021 | Trustee Hubick moved: That the Board of Trustees approve the use of \$200,000 from reserves for the expansion of the home education program for additional student registration through Next Step for the 2021-22 school year, conditional on the approval of the Minister of Education.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

AMENDED BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE

Board Chair Boymook presented to the Board the amendments to the 2020-21 Board Meeting Schedule for approval.

132/2021 | Trustee Wall moved: That the Board of Trustees approve the amended 2020-21 Board Meeting Schedule to include the months of September 2021 and October 2021.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Committee Reports

ADVOCACY COMMITTEE

Board Chair Boymook presented a report from the Advocacy Committee meeting held on June 28, 2021, for information.

133/2021 | Board Chair Boymook moved: That the Board of Trustees receive for information the report from the Advocacy Committee meeting held on June 28, 2021.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Reports for Information

Trustees' Report, Notices of Motion and Request for Information

Reports by trustees were presented.

Board Chair Boymook extended condolences to the family and friends of Jill Hayduk, former EIPS Educational Assistant at A.L. Horton Elementary School. Jill Hayduk was a member of the EIPS Classified Staff for eight years.

ADJOURNMENT

Board Chair Boymook declared the meeting adjourned at 11:06 a.m.

Trina Boymook, Board Chair

Mark Liguori, Superintendent