



Aurora Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Thursday, March 17, 2022 @ 7:30 p.m., Online – Ratified

Chair: Arlene Huhn

Recording: Marla Leganchuk

Attending: Constance Amenaghawon, Tejinder Bansal, Keira Hanrahan, Zahida Hirani-Saran, Fauziat Raji, Brandon Plaizier, Ian Gray

Guests: Jacquie Harman, Elizabeth Lund, Wilson Shieh, Peter Dang

1. **Land Acknowledgement** (Arlene Huhn, Board Chair)

The Aurora community affirms that we stand upon Treaty Six Territory, the traditional and ancestral territory of the Blackfoot, Cree, Dene, Nakota Sioux, and Salteaux. We respect the history, languages, and culture of the First Nations, Métis, Inuit, and all indigenous peoples who came before us, and are grateful to acknowledge this as an act of reconciliation to those whose territory we reside on or are visiting.

2. **Call to Order** (Arlene Huhn, Board Chair)

Call to order at 7:32pm

a. Approval of the March 17th, 2022 Agenda (Motion)

Motion to approve the March 17, 2022 agenda

Made by: Fauziat Raji

Seconded by: Zahida Hirani-Saran

Unanimous

b. Approval of the Board Meeting Minutes of February 17th, 2022 (Motion)

Motion to approve the Board Meeting Minutes of February 17, 2022

Made by: Zahida Hirani-Saran

Seconded by: Fauziat Raji

Unanimous

c. Approval of the Board Meeting Minutes of February 24th, 2022 (Motion)

Motion to approve the Board Meeting Minutes of February 24, 2022
Made by: Zahida Hirani-Saran
Seconded by: Brandon Plaizier
Unanimous

- d. Approval of the Board Meeting Minutes of March 3rd, 2022 (Motion)

Motion to approve the Board Meeting Minutes of March 3, 2022
Made by: Fauziat Raji
Seconded by: Zahida Hirani-Saran
Unanimous

- e. Approval of the Board Meeting Minutes of March 12th, 2022 (Motion)

Motion to approve the Board Meeting Minutes of March 12, 2022
Made by: Fauziat Raji
Seconded by: Keira Hanrahan
In Favour: 6
Absent: 1

- f. Actionable Items from previous meetings (review)

3. **Director of Finance Update** (Zahida Hirani-Saran, Finance Chair)

Financial Report – Zahida presented on the Financials and variance analysis.

- a. Motion - Interim Budget for Aurora High School and related costs

Motion to approve the Interim High School Budget of \$1.15M.
Made by: Zahida Hirani-Saran
Seconded by: Fauziat Raji
In Favour: 6
Recuse: 1

- b. Motion - Ministerial Approval for access to Operational Reserves

Motion to send correspondence to the Ministry to request approval for access of \$340K from Capital Reserves and \$810K from Operational Reserves.
Made by: Zahida Hirani-Saran
Seconded by: Tejinder Bansal
In Favour: 6
Recuse: 1

- c. Motion - Staff expense reimbursement

Motion to approve \$2100 for the reimbursement of expense for the annual grade 9 grad book gift
Made by: Zahida Hirani-Saran
Seconded by: Fauziat Faji
Unanimous

d. Motion - USD account

Motion to approve the opening of a US Dollar account to cover expenses that are invoiced in US Dollars and the purchase of \$10K US Dollars to start the account.

Made by: Zahida Hirani-Saran

Seconded by: Keira Hanrahan

In Favour: 6

Tejinder Bansal left the meeting at 8:29pm

e. Motion - School Porter (day Janitor) Term 3

Motion to approve a second porter (day janitor) for Term 3

Made by: Zahida Hirani-Saran

Seconded by: Brandon Plaizier

In Favour: 6

4. **Superintendent Report (Ian Gray)**

Brandon Plaizier left the meeting at 8:47pm

1. Board End-of Year Banquet – Ok to proceed
2. School Visit - David Keohone, Executive Director of the College of Alberta School Superintendents
3. Specialized Learning Supports – will receive approximately \$600K retroactively
4. Emergency Planning for Individuals with Disabilities
5. COVID-19 Staff Vaccinations Regulation – AR has been repealed
6. Sherbrooke Daycare – Recently opened in the Sherbrooke Community Centre
7. High School Marketing – Move forward with Zag Marketing
8. Website Design Changes – Would like to update the Aurora Website
9. Collective Bargaining – Dave Johnson has been hired for bargaining

Motion to appoint Keira Hanrahan as Board Representative for Collective Bargaining

Made by: Fauziat Raji

Seconded by: Zahida Hirani-Saran

In Favour: 5

Hiring of High School Principal (motion)

Motion to appoint Zahida Hirani-Saran, Constance and Fauziat Raji to form the interview panel for High School Principal as per BP2062

Made by: Keira Hanrahan

Seconded by: Zahida Hirani-Saran

In Favour: 5

5. **Board Committee Reports** (Keira Hanrahan, Policy Chair)

- a. 6036BP - Student Uniform (final reading) (motion)

Motion to approve 6036BP - Student Uniform for final reading

Made by: Keira Hanrahan

Seconded by: Zahida Hirani-Saran

In Favour: 5

b. 6130BP - Student Evaluation (final reading)(motion)

Motion to approve 6130BP - Student Evaluation for final reading

Made by: Keira Hanrahan

Seconded by: Fauziat Raji

In Favour: 5

c. 5020BP - Orientation (second reading)(motion)

Motion to approve 5020BP - Orientation for second reading

Made by: Keira Hanrahan

Seconded by: Constance Amenaghawon

In Favour: 5

d. 2070BP - Role of the Teacher (first reading)(motion)

Motion to approve 2070BP - Role of the Teacher for first reading

Made by: Keira Hanrahan

Seconded by: Fauziat Raji

In Favour: 5

e. 2090BP - Board Committees (second reading to repeal)(motion)

Motion to repeal 2090BP - Board Committees for second reading to repeal

Made by: Keira Hanrahan

Seconded by: Zahida Hirani-Saran

In Favour: 5

f. 2100BP - Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy (2nd reading)(motion)

Motion to approve 2100BP - Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy for 2nd reading

Made by: Keira Hanrahan

Seconded by: Constance Amenaghawon

In Favour: 5

g. 2140BP - Media Relations (first reading to repeal)(motion)

Motion to repeal 2140BP - Media Relations for first reading to repeal

Made by: Keira Hanrahan

Seconded by: Fauziat Raji

In Favour: 5

h. 2030BP - Board Communication Protocols (consequential amendment)(first reading)(motion)

Motion to approve 2030BP - Board Communication Protocols (consequential amendment) for first reading

Made by: Keira Hanrahan

Seconded by: Fauziat Raji
In Favour: 5

- i. 4100BP -Charitable Donations (second reading)(motion)

Motion to approve 4100BP -Charitable Donations for second reading
second reading
Made by: Keira Hanrahan
Seconded by: Constance Amenaghawon
In Favour: 5

6. Board of Directors (Arlene Huhn, Board Chair)

- a. Elementary Entrance Grand Opening – Fauziat Raji & Constance Amenaghawon – went over cost of catering the event and was determined that it wasn't feasible. Will look to School Council to see if they would be able to support and participate in the event.
- b. Board Governance Training – Will work on an opportunity for onboarding for new board members.
- c. Retreat – Would like to pick a local restaurant with a private room for a retreat.
- d. Collective Bargaining Appointment – As motioned under the Superintendent Report
- e. Principal Hiring Appointment – As motioned under the Superintendent Report
- f. TAAPCS Meetings – Possible suggestions for representation would be Brandon Plaizier and/or Tejinder Bansal

7. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 9:31pm made by Zahida Hirani-Saran

“We acknowledge that we are on traditional territories in Alberta of the many First Nations, Métis, and Inuit whose footsteps have marked these lands for centuries.”