



Aurora Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Thursday, December 16, 2021 @ 7:30 p.m., Virtual – Ratified

Chair: Arlene Huhn

Recorder: Marla Leganchuk

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

Guests: Mary Healy, Elizabeth Lund, Peter Dang

LOCATION: Online

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

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 of the Board meeting** (Arlene Huhn, Board Chair)

The meeting of the Board of Directors was called to order at 7:32pm, and was held online in compliance with COVID-19 Pandemic social distancing regulations.

a. Approval of the December 16th, 2021 Agenda (Motion)

Motion to accept the December 16th, 2021 agenda, made by: Brendon Plaizier

Seconded by: Fauziat Raji

Unanimous. Carried

b. Approval of the Board Meeting Minutes of November 18th, 2021 (Motion)

Motion to approve the November 18th, 2021 Board Meeting minutes as presented made by: Keira Hanrahan

Seconded by: Zahida Hirani-Saran

Unanimous. Carried

c. Actionable Items from previous meetings (review)

No Items were discussed

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

Zahida presented the November financial statements and variance analysis.

The Board would like to acknowledge an anonymous donor who donated \$1,000 to the School and wanted to express their deepest thanks of such a generous donation. Thank you!

4. Superintendent Report (Ian Gray)

a. Leadership Program Development

Ian will be preparing a program for Staff and Students to support and culture of the school to work on citizenship

b. School Calendar

Ian discussed the proposed calendar for 2022-2023. Discussion around incorporating different types of religious holidays.

Motion to accept the 2022-20223 School Year Calendar as presented made by: Tejinder Bansal

Seconded by: Fauziat Raji

In Favour: 6

Against: 1

c. Operational Reserve Allocation (information)

Ian will bring suggestions for the allocation of the Operating Reserves.

d. Guaranteed Investment Contract (GIC)

GIC coming due on January 19 for approximately \$1.02M.

Board agreed to make a decision closer to the maturity GIC maturity date.

Action Item: Determine type of investments allowed and research several different

e. School Vaccinations

New vaccination policy has been implemented.

f. Board Engagement

Discussion around getting stakeholder engagement. Would like to include students as stakeholders. Idea of bringing School Psychologist to help students engage. Thoughts around having engagement breakout rooms.

g. TAAPCS Spotlight

Ian will speak to Admin to prepare something to present that show cases Aurora.

5. Board Committee Reports

a. Policy Committee (Keira Hanrahan, Policy Committee Chair)

i. 1030BP - Board code of conduct (motion, 3rd reading)

Policy was removed for further review

ii. 1050BP - AACS Policy Making and Governance: Accountability (motion, 3rd reading to repeal)

Motion to approve 1050BP - AACS Policy Making and Governance: Accountability for 3rd and final reading to repeal made by: Keira Hanrahan
Seconded by: Zahida Hirani-Saran
Unanimous

iii. 1060BP - Role of the Board (motion, 3rd reading)

Motion to approve 1060BP - Role of the Board for 3rd reading with recommended changes, made by: Keira Hanrahan
Seconded by: Tejinder Bansal
Unanimous

iv. 2050BP - Superintendent (motion, 2nd reading to repeal)

Motion to approve 2050BP – Superintendent for 2nd reading to repeal made by: Keira Hanrahan
Seconded by: Brandon Plaizier
Unanimous

v. 2051BP - Role of the Superintendent (motion, 2nd reading)

Motion to approve 2051BP - Role of the Superintendent for 2nd reading made by Keira Hanrahan
Seconded by: Brandon Plaizier
Unanimous

vi. 2052BP - Evaluation of the Superintendent (motion, 2nd reading) vii. 4005BP - Annual Budget Development (motion, 2nd reading)

Motion to approve 2052BP - Evaluation of the Superintendent for 2nd reading made by: Keira Hanrahan
Seconded by: Zahida Hirani-Saran
Unanimous

vii. 4005BP - Annual Budget Development (motion, 2nd reading)

Board removed BP4005 motion so the financial template appendix can be worked on further.

viii. 4006BP - Annual Budget Implementation (motion, 2nd reading)

Motion to approve 4006BP - Annual Budget Implementation for 2nd reading made by: Keira Hanrahan
Seconded by: Fauziat Raji
Unanimous

ix. 4015BP - Procurement (motion, 2nd reading)

Motion to approve 4006BP - Annual Budget Implementation for 2nd reading made by: Keira Hanrahan
Seconded by: Zahida Hirani-Saran
Unanimous

x. 4025BP - Reserves, Surpluses and Deficits (motion, 2nd reading)

Motion to approve 4025BP - Reserves, Surpluses and Deficits for 2nd reading made by: Keira Hanrahan
Seconded by: Tejinder Bansal
Unanimous

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

a. Strategic Planning (motion)

No motion was made. The Board decided to hold off from making a motion until further information could be obtained.

7. Calendar Reminders

- a. December 17th, 2021 - Professional Development Day
- b. December 18th, 2021 to January 9th, 2022 - Winter Break
- c. January 10th, 2022 - Classes Resume
- d. January 14th, 2022 - Policy Committee Meeting
- e. January 20th, 2022 - Board of Directors Meeting

8. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:22pm made by Brandon Plaizier

“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.”