



Aurora Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Thursday, April 21, 2022 @ 6:30 p.m., Online – Draft & Un-Ratified

Chair: Arlene Huhn

Recorder: Marla Leganchuk

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

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

DATE: April 21st, 2022

TIME: 6:30 PM

LOCATION: Online

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 6:32pm

a. Approval of the April 21st, 2022 Agenda (Motion)

Motion to approve the April 21, 2022 Agenda as amended.

Made by: Constance Amenahgawon

Seconded by: Zahida Hirani-Saran

In Favour: 6

Absent: 1

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

Motion to approve the March 17, 2022 Board Meeting Minutes

Made by: Tejinder Bansal

Seconded by: Keira Hanrahan

In Favour: 6

Absent: 1

- c. Actionable Items from previous meetings (review)

None

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

Brandon Plaizier joined at 6:43pm

- a. Financial Report – Zahida presented the March financial analysis and went over variances
- b. Preliminary Budget – Zahida presented on the preliminary budget that was submitted April 14, 2022 to the Board of Directors.

Discussion focus points were around the impact of school and transportation fees on families, wages for certified and non-certified staff, and increase of expenses in relation to year over year.

- c. Teacher appreciation dinner

Motion to approve the spending of and additional \$4K than budgeted to host a teacher appreciation dinner

Made by: Zahida Hirani-Saran

Seconded by Fauziat Raji

In Favour: 6

Abstain: 1

4. Superintendent Report (Ian Gray)

High School Planning (Special Guest: Jacquie Harman) – Ian presented the High School pitch that will be used to help promote the High School

- a. Europe 2024 Trip
- b. Locally Developed Courses (Motion)

Motion to accept Speech & Debate, Leadership, Character & Social Responsibility, and Introduction to Research and Study Skills courses as presented

Made by: Tejinder Bansal

Seconded by: Fauziat Raji

Unanimous

- c. Board End-of-Year Banquet
- d. Elementary Entrance Grand Opening – Proposed for the end of June. Thoughts around industry sponsorship.
- e. Learning Disruption Fund - \$10k received for learning disruption
- f. Ukrainian Refugees – Alberta Education’s support

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

- a. Omnibus package (third & final reading)

BP2070 - Role of the Teacher

Motion to approve BP2070 - Role of the Teacher for third and final reading

Made by: Keira Hanrahan

Seconded by: Fauziat Raji

Unanimous

BP2090 - Board Committees (to repeal)

Motion to repeal BP2090 - Board Committees for third and final repeal

Made by: Keira Hanrahan

Seconded by: Tejinder Bansal

Unanimous

BP2100 - Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy

Motion to approve BP2100 - Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy for third and final reading

Made by: Keira Hanrahan

Seconded by: Fauziat Raji

Unanimous

BP4100 - Charitable Status

Brandon left meeting at 9:02pm

Motion to approve BP4100 - Charitable Status for third and final reading

Made by: Keira Hanrahan

Seconded by: Constance Amenahgawon

In Favour: 6

Absent: 1

BP5020 – Orientation

Motion to approve BP5020 – Orientation for third and final reading

Made by: Keira Hanrahan

Seconded by: Fauziat Raji

In Favour: 6

Absent: 1

BP2030 - Board Communications Protocols (second reading)

Motion to approve BP2030 – Board Communications Protocols for second reading

Made by: Keira Hanrahan

Seconded by: Tejinder

In Favour: 6

Absent: 1

BP2140 - Media Relations (second reading to repeal)

Motion to repeal BP2140 - Media Relations for second reading to repeal

Made by: Keira Hanrahan

Seconded by: Tejinder

In Favour: 6

Absent: 1

BP4030 - Expense Reimbursement (first reading)

Motion to approve BP4030 - Expense Reimbursement for first reading

Made by: Keira Hanrahan

Seconded by: Fauziat

In Favour: 6

Absent: 1

BP4050 - Petty Cash (first reading to repeal)

Motion to approve BP4050 - Petty Cash for first reading to repeal

Made by: Keira Hanrahan

Seconded by: Constance

In Favour: 6

Absent: 1

BP5052 - Employee Benefits – Non-Teaching Staff (first reading)

Motion to approve BP5052 - Employee Benefits – Non-Teaching Staff for first reading

Made by: Keira Hanrahan

Seconded by: Tejinder

In Favour: 6

Absent: 1

BP5053 - Leave of Absence – Non-Teaching Staff (first reading)

Motion to approve BP5053 - Leave of Absence – Non-Teaching Staff for first reading

Made by: Keira Hanrahan

Seconded by: Zahida

In Favour: 6

Absent: 1

BP5130 - Staff Attire (first reading)
Motion to approve BP5130 - Staff Attire for first reading
Made by: Keira Hanrahan
Seconded by: Constance
In Favour: 6
Absent: 1

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

- a. New Board Member Canvassing/Nomination Committee
- b. Charter Revision - Registration and Admissions

Motion to accept the change to the charter as “students are assessed to place and that no child will be turned away when a space is available”.

Made by: Fauziat Raji
Seconded by: Constance Amenaghawon
In Favour: 6
Absent: 1

- c. Board Meeting Times and Locations – 3th Monday of each month
- d. TAAPCS – May 28 – 9am to 12pm – Aurora is doing the spotlight in this meeting

7. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned by Zahida Harani-Saran at 9:57pm

“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.”