



**APPROVED MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
HELD VIRTUALLY**

THURSDAY, JUNE 3, 2021

TRUSTEES PRESENT:

Chair, Ward 6 Fiona Gilbert
Vice-Chair, Ward 1 Shali Baziuk
Ward 2 Patty Sproule
Ward 3 Melyssa Bowen
Ward 3 Todd Brand
Ward 3 Jim Forrest
Ward 4 Norma Lang
Ward 5 Judi Hunter

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT:

Superintendent of Schools Greg Luterbach
Associate Superintendent of Business and Operations Larry Paul
Director of Communications Tara de Weerd
Communications Officer Ben Sherick

RECORDER:

Executive Assistant Jennie Thompson

CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Fiona Gilbert called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m.

#858-2021 MOTION BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT:

The Board of Trustees ratifies the decision to proceed with today's public Board meeting as a virtual meeting in response to the COVID-19 health measures and restrictions currently in place in Alberta.

REGULAR BOARD MEETING AGENDA

#859-2021 MOTION BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT:

The Board of Trustees approves the June 3, 2021, Regular Board meeting agenda as presented.

CARRIED

IN CAMERA

#860-2021 MOTION BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT:

The Board of Trustees moves into an in-camera meeting at 9:34 a.m.

CARRIED

OUT OF IN CAMERA

#861-2021 MOTION BY TRUSTEE JUDI HUNTER:

The Board of Trustees moves out of an in-camera meeting at 10:03 a.m.

CARRIED

Chair Fiona Gilbert recessed the meeting at 10:03 a.m.

Chair Fiona Gilbert reconvened the meeting at 10:07 a.m.

ITEMS FROM IN CAMERA:

EDUCATION CENTRE RENOVATION TENDER AWARD

#862-2021 MOTION BY TRUSTEE NORMA LANG:

The Board of Trustees award RFP Q-21-36, for Education Centre Renovations to Lear Construction Management Ltd., in the amount of \$796,000.

CARRIED

LANGDON SCHOOL P3 AGREEMENTS

#863-2021 MOTION BY TRUSTEE PATTY SPROULE:

The Board of Trustees approves, in principle, the Accountability Agreement and Tri-Party Agreement for the P3 School to be located in the hamlet of Langdon.

CARRIED

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING

#864-2021 MOTION BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT:

The Board of Trustees approves the minutes of the May 20, 2021, Regular Board meeting as circulated.

CARRIED

RECOGNITION OF STAFF EXCELLENCE

Each year, the Board of Trustees recognizes staff members who demonstrate leadership in learning by obtaining post-secondary degrees or professional certificates or being nominated for the Alberta School Board Association's Edwin Parr Award.

The Board extends its congratulations to 32 RVS staff members who have upheld the principle that building capacity increases the collective efficacy of a group to improve student learning. To learn more about each staff member's accomplishments, please view the Staff Excellence brochure.

RVS believes all staff has a responsibility to engage in lifelong learning while bringing about transformational change to create a more innovative learning organization for all. Through ongoing learning, collaboration and research, staff is acquiring the requisite skills that are influencing students' thinking and learning and helping to bring about transformational change to accomplish that purpose.

Chair Fiona Gilbert recessed the meeting at 10:55 a.m.

Chair Fiona Gilbert reconvened the meeting at 11:01 a.m.

Murray Besenski joined the meeting at 11:01 a.m.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

2021/22 SCHOOL CALENDAR EXCEPTIONS

#865-2021 MOTION BY TRUSTEE FIONA GILBERT:

The Board of Trustees approves the 2021/22 school year calendar exceptions as presented by administration.

CARRIED

2022/23 SCHOOL CALENDAR APPROVAL

#866-2021 MOTION BY TRUSTEE JUDI HUNTER:

The Board of Trustees approves the 2022/23 school year draft calendar 1 as presented by administration and directs the Superintendent to distribute the calendar to Rocky View Schools stakeholders.

CARRIED

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE UPDATES

The Board of Trustees acknowledges receipt of the Administrative Procedures Update as presented.

Murray Besenski left the meeting at 11:31 a.m.

MODULAR SUBMISSION RESULTS

The Board of Trustees acknowledges receipt of the Modular Submission Results as information.

CHAIR REPORT/CORRESPONDENCE

Rocky View Schools stands with Canadians in mourning the deaths of 215 children at Kamloops Indian Residential School, and in particular the Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc community, and takes pause to acknowledge and honour the young lives lost and the devastating impact on their families. Flags have been lowered to half-mast across the Division in acknowledgement and solidarity of this tragedy. The intergenerational impact and trauma of residential schools cannot and will not be forgotten.

With the recent spotlight on the history of residential schools in Canada, the Board has heard concerns expressed from some members of the community regarding the names of some of our facilities. The Board has begun conversations addressing these concerns.

Chair Gilbert shared receipt of a letter from Education Minister LaGrange in response to the Board's letter regarding concerns with the 2021 capital project announcements and capital funding for Rocky View Schools (RVS). The letter acknowledges that the Minister is aware of the capacity issues in the communities of Airdrie and Cochrane and encourages RVS to continue to work with ministry staff. The letter also highlighted the critical requirement of a suitable and ready build site in order to support high priority school projects for funding.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT FROM TRUSTEE FIONA GILBERT:

The Planning Committee met on May 20 and agenda included a high-level review of the 21/22 Calendar Exemptions and 22/23 School Calendar in preparation for the Boards consideration today. The committee also discussed ways to streamline some administrative processes to enhance efficiency and received updates from administration on the continuing operational impacts of pandemic.

TRUSTEE REPORTS (submitted in writing)

Patty Sproule, Ward Two Trustee:

May 27 Participated in Interviews of Potential Principals
May 27 Participate in Meeting with Consultant re: Strategic Plan Framework
May 28 Participated in Interviews of Potential Principals
Jun 1 Attended Langdon School Council Meeting
Jun 3 Participated in Regular Board and Planning Meetings

Jim Forrest, Ward Three Trustee:

May 26 Participated in Principal Pool Interviews
Jun 27 Participated in Principal Pool Interviews
Jun 27 Participated in a Board Strategic Planning Session
Jun 01 Attended the C.W. Perry School Council Meeting
Jun 03 Participated in a RVS Regular Board and Planning Meeting

Norma Lang, Ward Four Trustee:

May 20 Attended the regular Board and Board Planning Meetings
May 20 Attended the Edwin Parr Zone 5 celebration
May 25 Attended the WGM School Council meeting and shared a board report
May 26 Participated in the ad hoc new trustee orientation committee meeting
May 27 Attended the farewell hosted by CES for Bob Rodgers on zoom
May 27 Attended the strategic plan session on zoom
May 28 Participated in principal interviews
May 31 Attended a TEBA 61 committee meeting
Jun 1 Participated in principal interviews
Jun 2 Attended the CES School Council Meeting

Fiona Gilbert, Ward Six Trustee:

May 27 Participated in Board Strategic Planning session
May 31 Attended Manachaban Middle School Council meeting
May 31 Attended Cochrane Parks and Recreation Committee meeting
Jun 2 Attended Fireside School Council meeting

NEW BUSINESS

BOARD POLICY 9 STRATEGIC PLANNING

#867-2021 MOTION BY TRUSTEE FIONA GILBERT:

The Board of Trustees approves the attached Board Policy 9 – Strategic Plan.

CARRIED

Laurie Copeland joined the meeting at 12:03 p.m.

IN CAMERA

#868-2021 MOTION BY TRUSTEE SHALI BAZIUK:

The Board of Trustees moves into an in-camera meeting at 12:03 p.m.

CARRIED

OUT OF IN CAMERA

#869-2021 MOTION BY TRUSTEE TODD BRAND:

The Board of Trustees moves out of an in-camera meeting at 12:30 p.m.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Fiona Gilbert adjourned the Regular Board Meeting at 12:30 p.m.

Chair

Secretary-Treasurer