RAINBOW DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD REGULAR BOARD MEETING

to be held in the Ernie Checkeris Boardroom at the Centre for Education, 408 Wembley Drive on Tuesday, February 20, 2018 at 5:15 p.m.

AGENDA AND RECOMMENDED MOTIONS

A.	APPROVAL OF AGENDA	*Chair
	Motion: That the agenda for the Regular Board meeting of February 20, 20 approved.	18 be
B.	PRELIMINARY DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST	*Chair
C.	PRESENTATIONS	*Chair
	English Language Learners (ELL) – Principal Sherry Conroy	
D.	REPORT FROM THE IN-CAMERA COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE OF THE BOARD	*Director
E.	OLD BUSINESS	*Director
1.	Previous Minutes	*Chair
a)	Motion: That the minutes of the Special Board Meeting held on November 28, 2017 be approved.	
b)	Motion: That the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on January 30, 2018 be approved.	
2.	Capital and Accommodation Plan – Update #4	*SBO
3.	Tenders/Requests for Proposals Nil	*SBO
4.	Reports and Recommendations from Board Committees Nil	*Chair
F.	NEW BUSINESS	*Chair
1.	Revised Estimates 2017-18	*SBO

2. **2018 School Year Structure**

*Director

Motion:

That the Board approve the 2018-2019 School Year Structure for elementary and secondary schools.

3. **2018 Summit Children and Youth Mental Health**

* Chair

Motion:

That the Board approve the attendance of the following trustees at the 2018 Summit Children and Youth Mental Health confence in Toronto April 12 to 13, 2018.

4. OPSBA Labour Relations and Human Resources Symposium 2018

* Chair

Motion:

That the Board approve the attendance of the following trustees at the OPSBA – Labour Relations and Human Resources Symposium in Toronto April 26 to 27, 2018.

5. Requests for Leave of Absence

*Chair

Motion:

That ______ be granted a leave of absence from the February 20, 2018 Board meeting.

6. **Director's Remarks**

*Director

7. Other Items

*Chair

OPSBA Delegate Student Trustee

8. Trustees' Remarks/Questions

*Chair

Reminder: Trustees who require detailed information on specific questions are encouraged to contact the Director prior to the meeting.

9. Chairperson's Remarks

*Chair

G. INFORMATION AND PROPOSALS

*Chair

1. Reports from Officials and Staff

Parent Involvement Committee minutes November 15, 2017 (official)

2. Non-Staff Communications

2018 Elementary and Secondary School Graduation dates Board and Strategic Planning Schedule of Meetings 2018-2019 Letter from ETFO dated January 24, 2018 Letter from Minister of Education dated January 30, 2018

H. FUTURE MEETINGS

*Chair

Ad Hoc Sub Committee Meeting #5 Feb 26, 2018 @ 3:00 PM Centre for Ed Room 125 Parent Involvement Committee Feb. 27, 2018 7:00 pm Ernie Checkeris Boardroom Student Senate Meeting March 5, 2018 5:00 pm Ernie Checkeris Boardroom Strategic Planning Cmttee Meeting Mar 6, 2018 5:00 pm Ernie Checkeris Boardroom Special Education Advisory Cmttee Mar 7, 2018 12:00 pm Centre for Education Room 125 Board Meeting March 20, 2018 5:00 pm Ernie Checkeris Boardroom First Nation Advisory Committee May 17, 2018 10:00 am TBA Equity & Inclusion Ed Committee May 24, 2018 4:00 pm Ernie Checkeris Boardroom Environmental Education Cmttee Meeting March 7, 2018 3:30 pm Centre for Ed Room 125

I. ADJOURNMENT

*Chair

Motion:

That we do now adjourn at p.m.

UNOFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

held in the Ernie Checkeris Boardroom Centre for Education, 408 Wembley Drive on Tuesday, November 28, 2017 at 6:10 p.m.

Present: Trustees: D. Dewar (Chair), B. Clement, J. Hunda, L. Killens, J.

Kosmerly, D. Morrison, G. Santala, R. Ward, Student

Trustee M. Leach Jarrett

Absent: G. Fox

Officials: D. Bazinet – Superintendent of Business

B. Bourget, J. Noble, K. Wachnuk - Superintendents

N. Charette, H. Thirkill

A. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: 17-R152, R.Ward/J.Kosmerly

That the agenda for the Special Board meeting of November 28, 2017 be

approved. – Carried

B. PRELIMINARY DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST NIL

C. REPORT FROM THE SPECIAL IN-CAMERA COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING OF THE BOARD

Motion: 17-R153, J.Kosmerly/B.Clement

That the motion # 17-W26 RE: Property Matter, be approved. – Carried

D. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: 17-R154, D.Morrison/J.Hunda

That we do now adjourn at 6:12 pm. - Carried

RAINBOW DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING

held in the Ernie Checkeris Boardroom 408 Wembley Drive, Sudbury on Tuesday, January 30, 2018 at 5:15 p.m.

Present: Trustees: D. Dewar (Chair), B. Clement, G. Fox, J. Hunda, L. Killens (via

phone), J. Kosmerly, D. Morrison, G. Santala, R. Ward, Student

Trustee M. Leach Jarrett

Officials: N. Blaseg – Director

D. Bazinet - Superintendent of Business J. Noble, K. Wachnuk - Superintendents

N. Charette, H. Thirkill

Others: D. Kitching, S. Ackroyd, C. McDonald, D. Williamson, C.

Norrie, L. Bennett, member of public

Chair Dewar requested that cell phones be turned off during the meeting.

A. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: 18-R27, J.Hunda/D.Morrison

That the agenda for the Regular Board meeting of January 30, 2018 be

approved. - Carried

B. PRELIMINARY DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST NIL

C. PRESENTATIONS

1. LD Empower Pilot Project

Superintendent Wachnuk introduced Colleen McDonald, Principal of Special Education to provide trustees with information about the LD Empower Pilot Project that is running in several elementary schools. Acting Vice Principal Cathy Norrie showed trustees how the program is working at Cyril Varney Public School. Trustees were very impressed with the success of the program. Students involved in the pilot project showed enthusiasm, confidence and success in closing the gaps in student learning.

Trustees had an opportunity to comment and ask questions.

Motion: 18-R28, D.Morrison/J.Kosmerly

That the Board write a letter to the Ministry of Education thanking for support provided with the LD Pilot Project. - **Carried**

2. Inclusion

Principal Danielle Williamson and teacher Lindsay Bennett spoke about inclusion in Rainbow Schools. This pilot project is in place at Princess Anne Public School,

Churchill Public School and Northeastern Elementary School. These three sites collapsed their ISP classes and students from those self-contained classrooms are now included in regular classrooms.

Trustees were shown what a typical classroom day looks like at Princess Anne Public School, were provided information about what the teachers think of the inclusion pilot and heard feedback from several students and parents about the program. Staff, working closely with parents/guardians and students to provide the best learning environment, has proven successful.

Trustees were extremely appreciative of the informative presentation.

D. REPORT FROM THE IN-CAMERA COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING OF THE BOARD NIL

E. OLD BUSINESS

1. **Previous Minutes**

- a) Motion: 18-R29, B.Clement/G.Santala
 That the minutes of the Organizational Board Meeting held on December 12, 2017 be approved. Carried
- b) Motion: 18-R30, J.Hunda/J.Kosmerly
 That the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on December 12, 2017 be approved. Carried
- c) <u>Motion: 18-R31, J.Kosmerly/D.Morrison</u>
 That the minutes of the Special Board Meeting held on January 16, 2018 be approved. **Carried**

2. Capital and Accommodation Plan – Update #3

a) Valley North Planning Area

Superintendent Bazinet reviewed the draft drawing that was distributed to trustees.

b) Early Years Capital Program Funding

Superintendent Bazinet reviewed the list of Child Care Projects and discussed the renovations and/or additions required at each location.

Superintendent Bazinet advised that Rainbow was not successful with the three submissions to the Ministry regarding the R.L. Beattie PS, Monetville PS or Lansdowne PS/Queen Elizabeth PS requests.

Director Blaseg and Superintendent Bazinet recently discussed the Monetville area with the Ministry and invited representatives to tour the area to determine what is best for educating student living in that area.

Superintendent Bazinet reported that the sale of Webbwood PS has been finalized and that 69 Young Street has been listed for sale with Remax this week.

- 3. <u>Tenders/Requests for Proposals</u> NIL
- 4. Reports and Recommendations from Board Committees NIL

F. NEW BUSINESS

1. Requests for Leave of Absence NIL

2. Ontario Student Trustee Association – Board Council Conference

Motion: 18-R32, J.Hunda/D.Morrison

That the Board approve the attendance of Student Trustee Leach Jarrett at the OSTA Board Council Conference in Ottawa February 15 to 18, 2018. — Carried

3. **Director's Remarks**

We had the pleasure of meeting our new Minister of Education, Indira Naidoo-Harris at CODE, in Toronto last week. Her presentation was extremely well received as she acknowledged all stakeholders and she focused on Equity, Inclusiveness and Well-Being.

Since our return from the Christmas break we have met with the Greater Sudbury Police Service on two occasions. The first meeting included Sergeant Marc Guerin where we reviewed safe schools protocols. The second meeting included Staff Sergeant Marc Brunette where we provided feedback on their (GSPS) strategic plan. Both meetings were very informative and we had senior level staff from principal associations, system principals, communications and executive council.

This Saturday, February 3 we will be attending the 45th N'Swakamok anniversary Gala. If any trustee would like to join us, please advise Heather ASAP.

Reminder that Friday, February 2nd is a professional activity day.

Itinerary

December 13 ETFO meeting

Agenda setting

December 14 Directors Meeting

December 15 School Visit – Little Current Public School

School Visit – Princess Anne Public School

December 18 Meeting with City of Greater Sudbury

School Visit – Redwood Acres Public School

December 19 Awards Ceremony – Espanola High School Exec Council December 20 Admin staff meeting School Visit – Adamsdale Public School December 21 School Visit – Sudbury Secondary School Awards Ceremony – Manitoulin Secondary School January 8 Student Achievement Meeting January 9 ETFO - Joint Committee meeting Governance Policy, Ad Hoc committee meeting First Nation, TRC action plan consultation – Bob Goulais January 10 Agenda Setting School Year Calendar Committee 2018-2019 January 11 Mentor – SOQP program Plant - review Chelmsford VDCS Future Leaders program review OPSEU meeting January 12 Safe Schools meeting January 15 FNAC meeting January 16 Exec Council Plant – review New Sudbury Schools Strategic Planning Board Meeting January 17 First Nation, TRC action plan consultation – Bob Goulais January 18 Ministry Teleconference Principal Alumni meeting January 22 FNAC Lead - Meeting Agenda Setting Science North (Coding Announcement) **Exec Council** January 23 CODE - Toronto January 24 CODE - Toronto January 25 January 26 CODE/ PES - Toronto

January 27 Public Education Symposium (PES) – Toronto

January 29 Safe School Meeting

First Nation, TRC action plan consultation

OSSTF meeting

January 30 Exec Council

Information Systems meeting

Labour Relations Committee Meeting

Board Meeting

4. Other Items

OPSBA Delegate – Trustee Clement reported that he attended Public Education Symposium (PES) in Toronto on last week. Newly appointed Minister of Education Indira Naidoo-Harris addressed the crowd and mentioned northern boards. Trustee Clement encouraged trustees to read the six priorities on the OPSBA website and provide feedback regarding any changes to these priorities. Trustee Clement spoke about a video clip that was shown at PES and trustees watched *A Journey Towards Truth and Reconciliation*.

Student Trustee – Student Trustee Madeleine Leach Jarrett reported another busy month. She advised that student senators are working on the upcoming Stand Up for Youth Mental Health conference that they are hosting in the Ernie Checkeris Boardroom on Thursday, February 8, 2018. Work continues in organizing the Boardwide Talent Show.

5. Trustees' Remarks/Questions

Trustee Kosmerly reported that she attended the Public Education Symposium in Toronto last week and was impressed that Minister of Education Indira Naidoo-Harris mentioned struggles that school boards encounter in rural areas of the province.

6. Chairperson's Remarks

Lasalle Secondary School Grade 12 students presented memoir scrapbooks to senior residents at Finlandia Village on January 11th. The students began working on the Intergenerational Memoir Project in October as a means to document the lives of residents with stories and photos. The memoirs are a lasting tribute and will be treasured for generations.

Rainbow elementary schools hosted Kindergarten Information Nights on January 16 and 18 for parents/guardians with children starting school this fall. For those who missed the information nights, registrations are still being accepted and for the very first time, they are now able to register online at rainbowschools.ca.

Congratulations to R.H. Murray Public School for winning the grand prize of the BrightBites Elementary School Contest. BrightBites is meant to guide and inspire

school leaders to help them create a healthier nutrition environment within their school.

Throughout January, staff and students in Rainbow Schools were challenged by our Environmental Committee to conduct an EcoReview of energy conservation and waste minimization. School green clubs visited classrooms, offices, lunchrooms and gyms to document lighting, electricity, heating, cooling and recycling. This Go Green challenge is part of the Environmental Committee's ongoing efforts to encourage sustainable practices and increase awareness about waste and conservation in schools. What will next month's challenge be?

Schools will be closed on Monday, February 19, 2018 for Family Day.

Secondary School Information Nights continue at Espanola High School on Thursday, February 1 and at Chelmsford Valley District Composite School and Confederation Secondary School on Thursday, February 15.

Rainbow District School Board is turning down the heat and inviting all students and staff to wear a sweater on Monday, February 5. Students will learn about the connection between their thermostat, greenhouse gas emissions, climate change, melting sea ice and Arctic wildlife. Students will also learn that fashion has an environmental footprint that recycling clothes helps to reduce.

The Parent Involvement Committee meeting will take place on Tuesday, February 27th at 7 pm here at the Centre for Education. The topic of the meeting will be the learning disabilities pilot project.

Lively District Secondary School will host the 25th annual S-Days on Thursday, February 22 and Friday, February 23. S stands for students, snowmobiles, safety, security and survival. The event will include a comprehensive snowmobile safety overview of safe riding, first aid, emergency mechanics and survival skills, as well as a staff and student snowmobile ride to Nairn Centre.

This year, the Bell Let's Talk campaign is on January 31 and is focusing on five simple ways to end the stigma around mental illness.

Language matters

Be kind

Educate yourself

Listen and ask

Talk about it

Employees in the Centre for Education have been invited to join the conversation by writing down what mental health means to them on the huge Bell Let's Talk banner. This evening, we are inviting trustees to join the conversation by taking a few moments to share your thoughts on the banner on the table in the boardroom.

The thought for the month comes from an unknown source: "If you can find a path in life with no obstacles, it probably doesn't lead anywhere".

G. INFORMATION AND PROPOSALS

1. Reports from Officials and Staff

2. Non-Staff Communications

Letter to Conseil scolaire catholique du Nouvel Ontario dated Dec 20, 2017 Letter to Indira Naidoo-Harris, Minister of Education dated Jan 22, 2018

H. FUTURE MEETINGS

Student Senate Meeting February 5, 2018 5:00 pm Ernie Checkeris Boardroom Strategic Planning Cmttee Meeting Feb 6, 2018 5:00 pm Ernie Checkeris Boardroom Special Education Advisory Cmttee Feb 7, 2018 12:00 pm Centre for Education Room 125 First Nation Advisory Committee February 15, 2018 10:00 am TBA Equity & Inclusion Ed Committee February 15, 2018 4:00 pm Ernie Checkeris Boardroom Board Meeting February 20, 2018 5:00 pm Ernie Checkeris Boardroom Parent Involvement Committee Feb. 27, 2018 7:00 pm Ernie Checkeris Boardroom Environmental Education Cmttee Meeting March 7, 2018 3:30 pm Centre for Ed Room 125

I. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: 18-R33, D.Morrison/B.Clement
That we now adjourn at 8:00 p.m. — Carried.

RAINBOW DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD OVERVIEW OF THE SCHOOL YEAR 2018/19 for Elementary and Secondary Schools

1. Structure of School Year

Labour Day First School Day (students)

Thanksgiving Christmas Break

Family Day

Mid Winter Break Good Friday Easter Monday Victoria Day

Last School Day (students)

First Semester (secondary)
Second Semester (secondary)

September 3 September 5 October 8

December 24 – January 4

February 18 March 11 – 15 April 19

April 22 May 20 June 28

September 5 – February 1 February 4 – June 28

2. **Professional Activity Days** (7 days)

September 4 September 28 October 26 November 30 February 1 April 8 June 14

3. **Examination Days**

January 25 – 31 June 24 – 28

SAVE THE DATE 2018 SUMMIT CHILDREN AND YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH

April 12 - 13, 2018 Beanfield Centre, CNE Grounds, Toronto

Beyond Collaboration:

Towards Integrated Systems for Supporting Child and Youth Mental Health

Presentations will focus on working across tiered systems of support for promotion, prevention and intervention.

Who should attend?

Students / Parents / Educators (
Mental Health Professionals / (
Professional Student Services Agencies / (
Children's Services Advocates (

Who is hosting this event?

Hosted by the Ontario Coalition for Children and Youth Mental Health - a multi-sectoral group committed to urgent and positive change for children and youth mental health services in Ontario

Early Bird Registration:

Link available on OPSBA's website: www.opsba.org or

LINK TO ONLINE REGISTRATION

Please check the website for updated information and program.

For Exhibit Space

Please contact Judith Nyman jnyman@opsba.org

ACCOMMODATION Hyatt Regency Hotel, 370 King Street, Toronto. Block to open September 2017. **Shuttle service** to Beanfield Centre included in room rate.



Coalition ontarienne pour la santé mentale des enfants er des adolescents

Pre-Summit

Thursday, April 12, 2018
1:30 - Registration
2:00 - 5:00 p.m. - Your choice of 1 of 3 half day in-depth sessions

Main Summit

Thursday Evening, April 12 5:00 - 8:30 p.m - Dinner Reception and (Keynote Speaker (TBC) (and Friday, April 13: 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. %

Keynote Speaker Friday a.m.: Mark Greenberg, PhD

Edna Peterson Bennett Endowed Chair in Prevention Research, Professor of Human Development and Psychology

Plenary Panel Friday a.m.:

Sharon Hoover, PhD

Co-Director, Center for School Mental Health and Associate Professor, University of Maryland School of Medicine, Child and Adolescent Psychiatry

Alexia Jaouich, PhD

Director of Implementation and Knowledge Exchange in the Provincial System Support Program (PSSP) CAMH

Ian Manion, PhD

Director, Youth Mental Health Research Unit, University of Ottawa Institute of Mental Health Research

Breakout Sessions Friday p.m.

Your choice of 2 of 8 breakout sessions.

Education Labour Relations and Human Resources Symposium 2018

OPSBA's annual Education Labour Relations and Human Resources Symposium is held annually in the spring and is designed to provide professional development in the areas of labour relations and human resources to trustees, directors of education, senior human resources officials and labour relations staff.

April 26 and 27, 2018 Sheraton Centre Hotel 123 Queen Street West Toronto M5H 2M9

Parent Involvement Committee Minutes Wednesday, November 15, 2017 at 7 pm Board Office, 69 Young Street, Sudbury with video link to Little Current Public School

Attendance Sudbury site:

Gord Santala, Trustee, Rainbow District School Board; Ruth Ward, Trustee, Rainbow District School Board; Madeleine Leach Jarrett, Student Trustee, Rainbow District School Board; Michaela Bouffard, Student Senate; Judy Noble, Superintendent of Schools; Nicole Charette, Senior Advisor, Corporate Communications and Strategic Planning; Kate Barber, parent, Sudbury Secondary School; Natasha Delaney, parent, Jean Hanson Public School; Richard Eberhardt, parent, Walden Public School; Denis Plouffe, parent, Chelmsford Valley District Composite School; Karry Strelezki, parent, Lively District Secondary School; Sara Pidgen, ETFO representative; Stacy Paajanen, parent, Lively District Secondary School; Tyler Campbell, parent, R.L. Beattie Public School; Kelly Lemieux, parent, Valley View Public School; Raye Addison, parent, Queen Elizabeth Public School; Karla Allen, parent, Northeastern Elementary School/Lasalle Secondary School; Patrick Hopkin, Vice-Principal, Chelmsford Valley District Composite School; Cori Pitre, Principal, S. Geiger Public School; Kathy Dokis, Principal, Indigenous Education; Kim Nadeau, Sudbury & District Health Unit; Cheryl Ewih, Information Services

Manitoulin site:

Alicia McGraw, parent, Little Current Public School; Christy Case, Principal, Little Current Public School; Heather Pennie, Vice-Principal, Little Current Public School

Espanola site:

N/A

The meeting was called to order at 7 pm.

1. Welcome

Superintendent Judy Noble welcomed everyone to the PIC meeting.

2. Self-Introductions

Those present introduced themselves.

3. Embracing Equity – Presentation by Cori Pitre, Principal, S. Geiger Public School

As the Rainbow District School Board's Lead on Equity and Inclusive Education, Principal Cori Pitre provided an overview of initiatives implemented to date. These include equity surveys (2011 and 2015), an online calendar, Embrace Diversity posters (English and French), Poverty

Committee, Free to Be Me Conference, equity reps in all schools, equity standing item on staff meeting agendas, and Dealing Directly with Language cards. Key messages: This is a safe space. Be who you are. We are here to support you. You have allies here. PIC members played "Equity 101".

Principal Pitre reviewed Ontario's Equity Education Action Plan released in August 2017. It includes four action areas – school and classroom practices; leadership, arnance and human resources practices; data collection, integration and reporting; and organization all culture change. A parent fact sheet was distributed and parents were encouraged to provide input what they would like to see happen going forward. Rainbow District School Board is creating three-year implementation plan.

4. Discussion based on presentation

Parents spoke about poverty and stressed the importance of ensuring that all students feel a sense of belonging. We need to focus on building allies for the LGBTQ community. Students who have special needs need to be properly assessed so they can be at the same level as other students despite their disabilities. Schools need to continue to cultivate an environment that fosters acceptance. Concerns were expressed that awards ceremonies at the end of the school year focus on high academics. Students with disabilities should be acknowledged for their hard work as well. Students need to be recognized for their unique self. All students should be encouraged to apply for bursaries. Could PIC come up with a recognition award to honour students who have achieved their goals? It was recommended that parents raise their concerns at their respective School Councils to ensure that greater diversity is incorporated into awards ceremonies.

5. Approval of Agenda

Motion: "That the agenda be approved, as presented."

Moved by: Denis Plouffe, Chelmsford Valley District Composite School

Seconded by: Karla Allen, Carl A. Nesbitt Public School/Northeastern Elementary School/Lasalle

Secondary School

Carried

6. Approval of Minutes

Approval of the Minutes of the PIC Meeting held on May 2, 2017

Motion: "That the minutes of the meeting held on May 2, 2017 be approved, as presented."

Moved by: Denis Plouffe, Chelmsford Valley District Composite School

Seconded by: Karry Strelezki, Lively District Secondary School

Carried

Approval of the Minutes of the PIC AGM held on October 17, 2017

Motion: "That the minutes of the AGM held on October 17, 2017 be approved, as amended."

Moved by: Richard Eberhardt, Walden Public School

Seconded by: Raye Addison, Queen Elizabeth Public School

Carried

Business arising from AGM: Election of additional members from Sudbury

Superintendent Judy Noble explained that at the AGM, a slate of up to 10 candidates was approved for the PIC Executive.

According to the Terms of Reference, the composition of membership would include one representative from each of the Espanola and Manitoulin Island areas, and eight representatives from the Sudbury area.

This year, there were a total of nine nominees from Sudbury as well as one nominee from Espanola, and one nominee from Manitoulin.

The following candidates for the PIC Executive were acclaimed:

Tyler Campbell - R.L. Beattie Public School

Richard Eberhardt - Walden Public School

Bernadette Rémillard - Lansdowne Public School

Denis Plouffe - Chelmsford Valley District Composite School

Kate Barber - Lansdowne Public School/Sudbury Secondary School

Raye Addison - Queen Elizabeth Public School

Jennifer Tilston - A.B. Ellis Public School (acclaimed for Espanola)

Alicia McGraw – Little Current Public School (acclaimed for Manitoulin)

The following candidates were removed from the ballot as they were not present for the election at the AGM in Sudbury:

Adam Pitre - Larchwood Public School

Natasha Delaney - Jean Hanson Public School

Karla Allen - Lasalle Secondary School

These candidates had an opportunity to be considered for election to the PIC Executive at the meeting on November 15, 2017.

Motion: "That Karla Allen and Natasha Delaney of Sudbury be added to the PIC Executive."

Moved by: Raye Addison, Queen Elizabeth Public School

Seconded by: Denis Plouffe, Chelmsford Valley District Composite School

Carried

7. Election of Chair, Vice-Chair and Secretary

Superintendent Noble reviewed the roles of Chair, Vice-Chair and Secretary in accordance with the Terms of Reference for PIC. Parents serve on PIC for one-year terms. The Chair can serve a two-year term and there must be a break for at least one year before being re-elected.

Superintendent Noble thanked Dahnja Schoengen for having served as Chair and Natasha Delaney for having served as Vice-Chair for the past school year.

She called for nominations for the Chair.

Motion: "That Raye Addison be acclaimed Chair."

Moved by: Karla Allen, Carl A. Nesbitt Public School/Northeastern Elementary School/Lasalle

Secondary School

Seconded by: Denis Plouffe, Chelmsford Valley District Composite School

Carried

Superintendent Noble called for nominations for Vice-Chair.

Motion: "That Richard Eberhardt be acclaimed Vice-Chair."

Moved by: Raye Addison, Queen Elizabeth Public School

Seconded by: Denis Plouffe, Chelmsford Valley District Composite School

Carried

Superintendent Noble called for nominations for Secretary.

Motion: "That Natasha Delaney be acclaimed Secretary."

Moved by: Richard Eberhardt, Walden Public School

Seconded by: Denis Plouffe, Chelmsford Valley District Composite School

Carried

Raye Addison chaired the meeting at this point.

8. School Announcements

Student Trustee Madeleine Leach Jarrett of Lo-Ellen Park Secondary School and Student Senate Member Kayla Bouffard of Chelmsford Valley District Secondary School attended the PIC meeting to talk to parents about the importance of student voice in decision-making. Two reps from every secondary school sit on the Student Senate. Students are selected through an application process. The Student Trustee is elected by the Student Senate. The Student Senate hosts a board-wide talent show and the Stand Up Speak Out Conference to promote leadership. The Student Senate is currently working on a research project.

Raye Addison indicated that a Parent Resource Centre has been established at Queen Elizabeth Public School.

Sara Pidgen, a member of the Poverty Sub-Committee, indicated that school staff can help families complete forms. Patrick Hopkin added that there is a list of community agencies and services that can assist families. A 211 service is also available.

Stacy Paajanen of Lively District Secondary School talked about the "fuelling our schools" fundraiser with Macs in Lively. She also highlighted the success of the Junior and Senior Boys Football Teams, which will be recognized at a post-season huddle on November 16, 2017 from 5 pm to 7 pm. Both the junior and senior football teams earned a spot in the par's city championships. The senior team garnered gold for the second time in the particular school of the second time in t

Richard Eberhardt highlighted an outdoor sing-a-long at Walden Public School on December 14, 2017.

Karla Allen commended Lasalle Secondary School for its successful Finlandia Walk fundraiser held in September 2017. Funds raised will support outdoor walking and fitness activities at Finlandia Village. A trail system will be developed and built, engaging students, local businesses and volunteers. The School Council at Lasalle Secondary School is considering the possible presentation of an annual student award. Karla Allen noted that some awards recognize character. She also acknowledged the transition and growth occurring at Lasalle Secondary School with renovations and a new French Immersion school being added to the property.

Cheryl Ewin, a member of the Environmental Education Committee, said composting programs are being introduced in schools.

Denis Plouffe indicated that Chelmsford Valley District Composite School is working towards an EcoSchools certification. He highlighted plans for renovations for the JK to Grade 12 school. He also focused on school events, including an Indigenous garden, annual winter feast, and the Info Night in January 2018.

Natasha Delaney indicated that Jean Hanson Public School will host a mixed media art show. Children with sensitivities had an opportunity to visit with Sensitive Santas. Natasha Delaney is the new President of Autism Ontario. She shared information about upcoming events.

Nicole Charette shared information about the Truth and Reconciliation Implementation Plan Consultation Sessions. She also invited PIC members to the Joan Mantle Music Trust Community Concert on November 29, 2017.

Motion: "That we do now adjourn."

Moved by: Denis Plouffe, Chelmsford Valley District Composite School

The meeting adjourned at 9 pm.

Next Meeting:

Tuesday, January 9, 2018 at 7 pm Centre for Education, 408 Wembley Drive, Sudbury

Topic: Resiliency and Growth Mindset



ELEMENTARY GRADUATION DATES 2018

TRUSTEES COURSES COURS				
TRUSTEES	SCHOOLS	GRADUATION (DATE/TIME)		
Ruth Ward	CVDCS (Gr 8)	Wednesday, June 27, 2018 at 6:30 PM in the gymnasium		
(Area 2)	Lansdowne	Wednesday, June 27, 2018 @ 6:00 PM at Sudbury SS		
	Larchwood	Tuesday, June 26, 2018 @ 6:00 PM in the gymnasium		
	Levack	Wednesday, June 20, 2018 @ 6:00 PM in the gymnasium		
Bob Clement	AB Ellis	Wednesday, June 27 from 7:00 to 10:00 PM in the gym		
(Area 8)	S. Geiger	Tuesday, June 26 at 6:30 PM in the gym		
Doreen Dewar	Alexander	Wednesday, June 27 @ 6:00 PM in the gymnasium		
(Area 5)	Algonquin	Monday, June 25, 2018 @ 6:00 pm in the gymnasium		
	Lo-Ellen (Gr 8)	Wednesday, June 27 @ 6:00 PM at the Hellenic Centre		
	MacLeod	Tuesday, June 26 @ 6:00 PM in the gymnasium		
Grace Fox	First Nations system wide			
Judy Hunda	Carl A. Nesbitt	Wednesday, June 27 @ 6:30 PM in the gymnasium		
(Area 6)				
Larry Killens	Assiginack	Tuesday, June 26 @ 7:00 PM in the gymnasium		
(Area 7)	Central Manitoulin	Thursday, June 21 @ 6:30 PM in the gymnasium		
	Little Current	Monday, June 25 @ 6:00 PM Little Current Recreation		
		Complex (upstairs at arena)		
	CC McLean	Friday, June 22 @ 6:30 PM in the gymnasium		
Judy Kosmerly	Confederation (Gr. 8)	Thursday, June 21 @ 6:00 PM in the gymnasium		
(Area 3)	Valley View	Tuesday, June 26, 2018 @ 6:00 PM in the gymnasium		
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Dena Morrison	Churchill	Wednesday, June 27 @ 6:00 PM in the gymnasium		
(Area 4)	CR Judd	Wednesday, June 27 @ 7:00 PM in the gymnasium		
	Markstay	Thursday, June 22 @ 6:00 PM in the gymnasium		
	Monetville	Tuesday, June 26 @ 6:00 PM in the gymnasium		
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Gord Santala	Copper Cliff	Thursday, June 27 @ 7:00 PM in the gymnasium		
(Area 1)	Jean Hanson	Wednesday, June 20 11:30 - 1:30 PM in the gymnasium		
	RH Murray	Tuesday, June 26 @ 6:00 PM in the gymnasium		
	Princess Anne	Tuesday, June 26 @ 6:00 PM @ Sudbury SS		
	Lively (Elem)	Wednesday, June 27 @ 6:30 PM in the gymnasium		



GRADUATION DATES 2018

SECONDARY	DATE & TIME
BARRYDOWNE COLLEGE	Thursday June 21, 2018 at 6:00 PM at Cambrian College
CHELMSFORD VDCS	Thursday, June 14, 2018 at 6:30 PM in the gymnasium
CONFEDERATION	Wednesday, June 6 @ 6:00 PM in the gymnasium
ESPANOLA	Thursday, June 28 @ 7:00 PM in the gymnasium
LASALLE	Thursday, June 14 @ 6:30 PM in the gymnasium
LIVELY	Wednesday, June 6 @ 6:00 PM in the gymnasium
LOCKERBY	Monday, June 4 @ 6:30 PM at Cambrian College
LO-ELLEN PARK	Thursday, June 7 @ 6:30 PM at Fraser Auditorium
MANITOULIN	Thursday June 28, 2018 at 7:00 PM the gymnasium
SUDBURY SECONDARY ADULT DAY SCHOOL N'SWAKAMOK	Thursday, June 14 @ 7:00 PM in the auditorium Wednesday, June 13 Thursday, June 7 @ 10:30 AM



BOARD / STRATEGIC PLANNING MEETINGS August 2018 - June 2019

MEETING DATES

August 28, 2018 (Board)

September 11, 2018 (SP)

September 25, 2018 (Board)

October 9, 2018 (SP)

October 23, 2018 (Board)

November 6, 2018 (SP)

November 20, 2018 (Board)

November 27, 2018 (SP)

December 3, 2018 (Organizational - Monday)

December 11, 2018 (Board)

January 15, 2019 (SP)

January 29, 2019 (Board)

February 5, 2019 (SP)

February 19, 2019 (Board)

March 5, 2019 (SP)

March 19, 2019 (Board)

April 9, 2019 (SP)

April 23, 2019 (Board)

May 7, 2019 (SP)

May 21, 2019 (Budget)

May 22, 2019 (Board & Awards) Wednesday

June 4, 2019 (SP)

July 2, 2019 (Board)



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January 24, 2018

Doreen Dewar Chair Rainbow District School Board 69 Young Street Sudbury, ON P3E 3G5

Dear Doreen Dewar:

Please find enclosed a copy of the summary report of the Elementary Teachers' Federation of Ontario's (ETFO) all-member survey of workplace violence. The all-member survey provides strong, province-wide evidence that classroom violence is pervasive and is having a significant impact on our members and their students.

As you may be aware, ETFO has been advocating for more front line resources to support elementary classrooms and for more effective reporting measures to respond to workplace violence. We are optimistic the work of the Provincial Working Group on Health and Safety will lead to improved reporting protocols and compliance measures. Through the recent negotiations with the government to extend ETFO member collective agreements, we achieved some improvements to investments in special education supports and reducing class sizes in Kindergarten and grades 4 to 8. However, much more needs to be done to ensure Ontario elementary classrooms are safe learning and working environments.

ETFO understands that the lack of adequate resources means school boards are struggling to provide the necessary supports for students and staff. Your efforts in joining us in lobbying the provincial government for the additional classroom supports required for students with learning exceptionalities and students with mental health issues will help raise the profile of these issues as we approach the provincial budget and election. Specifically, we are advocating for an increased investment in special education teachers, educational assistants and school board professional support personnel, such as psychologists, behavioural counsellors, child and youth workers and speech-language pathologists.



Doreen Dewar

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January 24, 2018

The factors contributing to classroom violence clearly go beyond our schools, but schools can play a much more effective role in addressing the issues through early identification and intervention. ETFO is looking to school boards to join us in making the need to address school violence a government priority.

Sincerely,

Sam Hammond President

SH:VM:VO Enclosure

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January 30, 2018

Dear Chairs,

I would like to start by thanking each and every one of you for your hard work, commitment and passion to educate our children. I also want to thank you for all that you do, day in and day out, to create strong learning environments that put our children on a path to success. I am very honoured to serve the people of Ontario as the Minister of Education, in addition to remaining the Minister Responsible for Early Years and Child Care.

I am proud to see how tirelessly each and every one of our partners is working to ensure that all Ontario students can achieve their full potential. As a mother, I certainly understand the challenges of raising and educating children in our modern world.

As the new Minister of Education, I look forward to continuing our important work together — with our many partners across the province — to support a full continuum of learning for children, from birth to adulthood. And I am committed to our government's goal of making sure all children, teachers and staff have the supports and resources they need to succeed in the classroom and in the world.

Over the past few years, our government has engaged across the province, both inside and outside the education system. Time and again, we've heard that student achievement is inextricably linked to well-being and equity. And time and again, we've heard that we need to do more to ensure that our graduates are not just equipped for the workforce, but are ready to contribute as compassionate, thoughtful, resilient citizens. This feedback continues to inform our collective vision for public education.

As Chairs of our publicly funded school boards, you play a vital role in shaping how this collective vision is realized. I look forward to working with you to support school and system leaders, including directors and trustees, to ensure continued progress on embedding student achievement, well-being and equity at the core of everything we do, while ensuring that our work together is coherent and appropriately paced.

The path forward for each board will be different, depending on the unique contexts and challenges that each of you faces in the communities you represent. I value the importance of the local autonomy of our school boards and I am committed to continue to work with you to provide the flexible supports needed to make a difference for your students. I would also like to re-emphasize my appreciation for your hard work and collaboration with regard to executive compensation. We have achieved so much together and I will continue to rely on your expertise in the months ahead.

Without question, this is an exciting time for the early years, kindergarten to Grade 12 and beyond. I want to thank you for all that you do. With your help, the graduation rate has reached a historic level, and our publicly funded education system continues to be among the best in the world. Our mutual commitment to child care and the early years has helped more children access affordable, quality and responsive licensed child care.

As Ontarians, we celebrate and embrace our diversity; it makes us a stronger society. Together, we are helping to create a publicly funded education system that will be one of most inclusive and accepting in the world.

These and other milestones are a testament to the hard work and collaboration of educators, staff, leaders, parents, students, communities and other partners. I look forward to continuing our commitment to collaborative professionalism, which will help ensure that our children, students and adult learners get the tools, knowledge, and skills they need to succeed, now and in the future.

Thank you for your passion and dedication to ensuring our children get the best possible start in life. You have my commitment to work with you in the days ahead.

Sincerely,

Indira Naidoo-Harris Minister of Education

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Minister Responsible for Early Years and Child Care