

RAINBOW DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD  
**Minutes of the**  
**STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING**

held in the Ernie Checkeris Boardroom  
408 Wembley Drive, Sudbury  
on Tuesday, June 5, 2018 at 5:00 pm.

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Present: Trustees: D. Morrison (chair), B. Clement, D. Dewar, G. Fox, J. Hunda,  
L. Killens, J. Kosmerly, G. Santala, R. Ward, Student Trustee  
M. Leach Jarrett  
Officials: N. Blaseg – Director  
D. Bazinet – Superintendent of Business  
J. Noble – Superintendent  
Staff: N. Charette, H. Thirkill, C. McDonald, H. Gaffney, C. Ewin,  
J. Mashinter, C. Jarrett, S. Lafrance-Pitura, K. Longston,  
J. Pajuluoma, B. Matusch, members of public

A. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion: R.Ward/J.Hunda

That the agenda for the Strategic Planning Committee meeting for June 5, 2018 be approved. - **Carried**

B. **PRELIMINARY DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST** NIL

C. **PRESENTATIONS**

1. Canada Wide Science Fair Best Project Award

Principal Gaffney introduced Brendon Matusch, a grade 10 student at Lo-Ellen Park Secondary School whose science fair project investigated techniques for the use of convolutional neural networks for autonomous driving.

Trustees asked questions, congratulated Brendon, expressed their pride in him and wished him well on his journey to the European Union Contest for Young Scientists as a member of Team Canada-EUCYS in September.

2. Future Leaders

Chris Jarrett, teacher at Carl Nesbitt PS, spoke to trustees about his project *Spreading the Word: The Importance of Financial Literacy* with trustees. He explained how he has taught this important concept and how much his students enjoyed this initiative. Chris Jarrett responded to questions from trustees.

Jake Mashinter, acting vice principal at Northeastern Elementary School, spoke to trustees about his project  *Casting a Wide Net* . He explained how he has carefully monitored students and their participation in extra curricular activities during the current school year and the 2016-2017 school year. Teachers have really come on board with this initiative and there have been noticeable favourable changes in the school and students. Trustees voiced their appreciation to Jake Mashinter's efforts, as well as all staff at Northeastern Elementary School.

Shannon Lafrance-Pitura, acting vice principal at MacLeod Public School, spoke to trustees about her project  *Never Underestimate the Difference You Can Make* . Her project focused on food insecurities for students and families. Foodrescue.ca is a program run in partnership with the Public Health Sudbury & District and local businesses that have extra food that can be donated and food that is nearing the expiry date.

Trustees shared their appreciation of all three projects and commended staff on commitment to students.

### 3. Population Projections

Kris Longston, Acting Manager of Community & Strategic Planning, City of Greater Sudbury and Julie Pajuluoma, Data Analysis Coordinator, City of Greater Sudbury provided trustees with an informative presentation concerning demographics and the future of the City of Greater Sudbury.

Julie Pajuluoma walked trustees through a new CIS tool. Work continues on this tool that will be launched later this year and then will be interactive on city's website.

Trustees commented, asked questions and thanked the presenters for the valuable information about families and students in the Sudbury area.

## D. OLD BUSINESS

### 1. Minutes

Motion: R.Ward/J.Hunda

That the minutes of the Strategic Planning Committee meeting held on May 8, 2018 be approved. – **Carried**

2. 2018/2019 Budget

Motion: J.Kosmerly/D.Dewar

That the Rainbow District School Board 2018/2019 budget be recommended to the Board for approval. – **Carried**

E. **NEW BUSINESS**

F. **FUTURE ITEMS**

Comprehension

EQAO

Policy Review

- Policy No. GOV-05: Code of Conduct: Board Members
- Policy No. GOV-15: Student Accommodation

G. **TRUSTEES' REMARKS**

Trustee Kosmerly congratulated Confederation Secondary School and Lo-Ellen Park Secondary School as these two schools are the winners of the 2018 annual Ugliest Schoolyard Contest.

Trustee Hunda read aloud a post from facebook regarding students and the fact that not every student is the recipient of an award at award/graduation ceremonies but that all students are important.

Trustee Dewar commented on the busy upcoming graduation season and hoped that all trustees can attend several celebrations. She thanked all staff and families for supporting Rainbow students.

Chair Morrison reminded trustees of the provincial election on Thursday, June 7 and suggested that change may be coming and we will await the impact of those changes.

H. **FUTURE MEETINGS**

September 11, 2018

I. **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion: G.Fox/B.Clement

That the meeting be adjourned (7:30 pm). - **Carried**