

RAINBOW DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD
Minutes of the
STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING

held in the Ernie Checkeris Boardroom
408 Wembley Drive, Sudbury
on Tuesday, March 5, 2019 at 5:00 pm.

Present: Trustees: D. Morrison (chair), B. Clement, D. Dewar, A. Gibson, J. Hunda, K. St. Jean, M. Stringer (via Google Hangout)
Absent: J. Kosmerly, Student Trustee H. Golden,
Officials: N. Blaseg – Director and Secretary of the Board
D. Bazinet – Superintendent of Business
B. Bourget, J. Noble, K. Wachnuk – Superintendents
Staff: N. Charette, H. Thirkill, D. Kitching, C. McDonald,
T. Batchilder

A. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: J.Hunda/K.St.Jean

That the agenda for the Strategic Planning Committee meeting for March 5, 2019 be approved. - **Carried**

B. PRELIMINARY DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST NIL

C. PRESENTATIONS

Supervised Alternative Learning (SAL)

Superintendent Noble shared information with trustees about Supervised Alternative Learning (SAL), one more pathway for students who cannot manage in a regular classroom. Every board is mandated to have a SAL committee to re-engage students between the ages of 14 and 17.

Superintendent Noble shared the history of SAL, the membership of the SAL committee, the process for selecting students, students that would benefit from SAL, some activities that a student might take part in and additional SAL data including a video testimonial from a previous SAL student.

Trustees appreciated the information and had the opportunity to discuss and ask questions.

D. **OLD BUSINESS**

1. Minutes

Motion: D.Dewar/J.Hunda

That the minutes of the Strategic Planning Committee meeting held on February 5, 2019 be approved. - **Carried**

Amendment: A.Gibson/K.St.Jean

That the minutes of the Strategic Planning Committee meeting held on February 5, 2019 be approved as amended. - **Defeated**

2. Interim Report - Superintendent Bazinet

Superintendent Bazinet spoke to the report provided to trustees. This interim report was a recommendation from the internal audit and was brought forward from the Audit Committee after their December 2018 meeting.

Absenteeism data was shared. This is a topic of concern within the Rainbow District School Board as well as throughout the province. The report provided data from various work groups regarding employees who were on paid sick leave and the costs associated with replacement of these employees.

Trustees had an opportunity to ask questions and comment. Superintendent Bazinet welcomed feedback, as this is the initial interim report to the Board.

E. **NEW BUSINESS**

Motion: D.Dewar/A.Gibson

That the changes to *Governance By-Law-13 Conflict of Interest* be recommended to the Board as a Notice of Motion. - **Carried**

F. **FUTURE ITEMS**

Comprehension

EQAO

Poverty

Policy Review

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

G. **TRUSTEES' REMARKS**

Chair Morrison reminded trustees of the upcoming Student Senate led conference "Stand Up For Positivity" scheduled for Thursday, March 21, 2019 from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM here in the Ernie Checkeris Boardroom.

H. **FUTURE MEETINGS**

April 9, 2019
May 7, 2019
June 11, 2019

I. **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion: J.Hunda/D.Dewar
That the meeting be adjourned (6:30 pm). - **Carried**

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