

**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, January 28, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.

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<b>AGENDA AND RECOMMENDED MOTIONS</b>
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- A. APPROVAL OF AGENDA** \*Chair
- Motion:  
That the agenda for the Regular Board meeting of January 28, 2020 be approved.
- B. PRELIMINARY DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST** \*Chair
- C. PRESENTATION** \*Chair
- 2018 Dr. Bette M. Stephenson Recognition of Achievement Award  
- Sudbury Secondary School
- D. REPORT FROM THE IN-CAMERA COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING OF THE BOARD** \*Director
- E. OLD BUSINESS** \*Director
1. **Previous Minutes** \*Chair
- a) Motion:  
That the minutes of the Organizational Board Meeting held on Tuesday, December 10, 2019 be approved.
- b) Motion:  
That the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on Tuesday, December 10, 2019 be approved.
2. **Tenders/Requests for Proposals** NIL \*SBO
3. **Reports and Recommendations from Board Committees** \*Chair
- F. NEW BUSINESS** \*Chair
1. **Revised Estimates 2019-2020** \*SBO
2. **Property** \*SBO

Motion:

That the property at 121 Charlotte Avenue, Chelmsford ON P0M 1L0 (Chelmsford Public School) be declared surplus to the needs of Rainbow District School Board as of June 30, 2020.

3. **Ontario Student Trustee Association - Board Council Conference** \*Chair

Motion:

That the Board approve the attendance of Student Trustee Colleen Gauvreau at the OSTA Board Council Conference in Ottawa February 20 to 23, 2020.

4. **Requests for Leave of Absence** \*Chair

Motion:

That \_\_\_\_\_ be granted a leave of absence from the January 28, 2020 Board meeting.

5. **Director's Remarks** \*Director

6. **Other Items** \*Chair

OPPSBA Delegate  
Student Trustee

7. **Trustees' Remarks/Questions** \*Chair

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

8. **Chairperson's Remarks** \*Chair

G. **INFORMATION AND PROPOSALS** \*Chair

1. **Reports from Officials and Staff**

2. **Non-Staff Communications**

H. **FUTURE MEETINGS** \*Chair

Student Senate Meeting February 3, 2020 5:30 pm Ernie Checkeris Boardroom  
Strategic Planning Committee Meeting Feb 4, 2020 5:00 pm Ernie Checkeris Boardroom  
Special Education Advisory Cmttee Feb 5, 2020 12:00 pm Centre for Education Room 125  
Equity & Inclusion Ed Committee Feb 13, 2020 4:00 pm Ernie Checkeris Boardroom  
Board Meeting February 18, 2020 5:00 pm Boardroom  
First Nation Advisory Committee Feb 20, 2020 10:00 am Centre for Education Room 125  
Parent Involvement Cmttee February 25, 2020 7:00 pm Boardroom  
Environmental Education Cmttee Meeting Mar 4, 2020 3:30 pm Centre for Education Room 125

I. **ADJOURNMENT** \*Chair

Motion:

That we do now adjourn at \_\_\_\_\_ p.m.

Rainbow District School Board

**MINUTES OF THE  
ORGANIZATIONAL BOARD MEETING**

held in the Ernie Checkeris Boardroom  
in the Centre for Education, 408 Wembley Drive, Sudbury  
on Tuesday, December 10, 2019 at 5:05 p.m.

Present: Trustees: L. Debassige, B. Clement, D. Dewar, A. Gibson, J.  
Hunda, J. Kosmerly, D. Morrison, K. St. Jean, M.  
Stringer  
Absent: Student Trustee C. Gauvreau  
Officials: N. Blaseg - Director of Education  
D. Bazinet – Superintendent of Business  
B. Bourget, J. Noble, K. Wachnuk – Superintendents  
N. Charette, H. Thirkill

1. **Call to Order**

Director Blaseg called the meeting to order.

2. **Approval of Agenda**

Motion: 20-R01, J.Kosmerly/A.Gibson

That the agenda for the Organizational meeting of the Board of December 10, 2019 be approved. - **Carried**

3. **Election of Chair**

Director Blaseg called for nominations for the position of Chair of Rainbow District School Board.

Judy Kosmerly nominated Doreen Dewar.

a) Motion: 20-R02, J.Hunda/B.Clement  
That nominations be closed. - **Carried**

b) Motion: 20-R03, M.Stringer/B.Clement  
That Doreen Dewar be declared acclaimed Chair of Rainbow District School Board. – **Carried**

4. **In-Coming Chair's Remarks** NIL

5. **Presentation to Outgoing Chair** NIL

6. **Past Chair's Remarks** NIL

7. **Election of Vice-Chair**

Bob Clement nominated Dena Morrison for the position of Vice-Chair.

- a) Motion: 20-R04, M.Stringer/B.Clement  
That nominations be closed. - **Carried**
- b) Motion: 20-R05, J.Hunda/M.Stringer  
That Dena Morrison be declared acclaimed Vice-Chair of Rainbow District School Board. – **Carried**

8. **Recommendation from Strategic Planning Committee**

Motion: 20-R06, D.Morrison/J.Kosmerly  
That the changes to Committee Information (as attached) be approved.  
– **Carried**

9. **Membership on Standing Board Committees**

Motion: 20-R07, D.Morrison/B.Clement  
That the membership on Standing Board Committees be approved.  
– **Carried**

**Accessibility Planning Committee**

Trustee Kerrie St. Jean

**Audit Committee (year 2 of 4)**

Trustee Judy Hunda  
Trustee Dena Morrison  
Trustee Margaret Stringer

**Environmental Education Committee**

Trustee Judy Hunda  
Student Trustee Colleen Gauvreau

**Equity and Inclusive Education Committee**

Trustee Bob Clement  
Trustee Linda Debassige  
Trustee Judy Kosmerly

**First Nations Advisory Committee**

Trustee Bob Clement  
Trustee Linda Debassige  
Trustee Margaret Stringer

**Labour Relations Committee**

Trustee Bob Clement  
Trustee Judy Hunda  
Trustee Judy Kosmerly  
Trustee Dena Morrison  
Trustee Margaret Stringer

**Parent Involvement Committee**

Trustee Judy Kosmerly

**School Year Structure Committee**

Trustee Anita Gibson

Trustee Kerrie St. Jean

Student Trustee Colleen Gauvreu

**Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC)**

Trustee Kerrie St. Jean

Trustee Margaret Stringer

Trustee Judy Kosmerly (alternate)

Trustee Dena Morrison (alternate)

**Strategic Planning Committee**

Trustee Bob Clement

Trustee Linda Debassige

Trustee Doreen Dewar

Trustee Anita Gibson

Trustee Judy Hunda

Trustee Judy Kosmerly

Trustee Dena Morrison

Trustee Kerrie St. Jean

Trustee Margaret Stringer

**Student Senate**

Trustee Bob Clement

Trustee Judy Hunda

Student Trustee Colleen Gauvreu

10. **OPSBA (Ontario Public School Boards' Association)**

a) **OPSBA Director**

Judy Kosmerly nominated Bob Clement.

1. Motion: 20-R08, J.Hunda/D.Morrison

That nominations be closed. - **Carried**

2. Motion: 20-R09, J.Kosmerly/J.Hunda

That Bob Clement be declared acclaimed Rainbow District School Board's voting delegate to the Ontario Public School Board's Association. - **Carried**

b) **Alternate Director**

Bob Clement nominated Judy Kosmerly.

1. Motion: 20-R10, D.Morrison/B.Clement

That nominations be closed. - **Carried**

2. Motion: 20-R11, J.Hunda/K.St.Jean  
That Judy Kosmerly be declared acclaimed Rainbow District School Board's voting alternate to the Ontario School Boards' Association.  
**- Carried**
11. **Board Policy No. GOV-05 Code of Conduct: Board Members**  
*At the Annual Organizational Meeting, two alternate Trustees shall be chosen by the Board to be used when the circumstance warrant that one or both Trustees are needed in place of the Chair and/or Vice-Chair to carry out the duties required under these Enforcement Procedures.*
- a) Call for nominations. Margaret Stringer nominated Linda Debassige.
- Motion: 20-R12, K.St.Jean/J.Kosmerly  
That nominations be closed. **- Carried**
- Motion: 20-R13, J.Kosmerly/K.St.Jean  
That Linda Debassige be declared acclaimed first alternate as per Board Policy No. GOV-05 Code of Conduct: Board Members. **- Carried**
- b) Call for nominations. Bob Clement nominated Judy Kosmerly.
- Motion: 20-R14, B.Clement/M.Stringer  
That nominations be closed. **- Carried**
- Motion: 20-R15, K.St.Jean/D.Morrison  
That Judy Kosmerly be declared acclaimed second alternate as per Board Policy No. GOV-05 Code of Conduct: Board Members. **- Carried**
12. **BALLOTS**
- Motion: 20-R16, D.Morrison/B.Clement  
That the ballots for all positions be destroyed. **- Carried**
13. **Adjournment**
- Motion: 20-R17, D.Morrison/J.Kosmerly  
That we now adjourn (5:35 p.m.). **- Carried**

**RAINBOW DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD**  
**MINUTES OF THE**  
**REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

held in the Ernie Checkeris Boardroom  
408 Wembley Drive, Sudbury  
on Tuesday, December 10, 2019 at 5:40 p.m.

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Present: Trustees: D. Dewar (Chair), B. Clement, L. Debassige, A. Gibson, J. Hunda  
J. Kosmerly, D. Morrison, K. St. Jean, M. Stringer  
Absent: Student Trustee C. Gauvreau  
Officials: N. Blaseg – Director and Secretary of the Board  
D. Bazinet - Superintendent of Business  
B. Bourget, J. Noble, K. Wachnuk - Superintendents  
N. Charette, H. Thirkill  
Others: G. Gauthier, S. Ackroyd, K. Kozman, C. McDonald, N. Mousseau

Chair Dewar advised that the meeting was being live-streamed and archived. She requested that cell phones be turned off during the meeting.

**A. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion: 20-R18, J.Hunda/J.Kosmerly

That the agenda for the Regular Board meeting of December 10, 2019 be approved. - **Carried**

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

**C. PRESENTATION NIL**

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

No meeting held. No report.

**E. OLD BUSINESS**

**1. Previous Minutes**

Motion: 20-R19, D.Morrison/B.Clement

That the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on November 19, 2019 be approved. - **Carried**

**2. Tenders/Requests for Proposals NIL**

**3. Reports and Recommendations from Board Committees**

**Audit Committee (AC)**

- i) Audit Committee Annual Report  
Trustee Morrison, chair of the Audit Committee, provided information from the 2018-2019 Audit Committee Report to the Ministry of Education.
- ii) 2018/19 Financial Statements  
Superintendent Bazinet introduced Derek D'Angelo, Lead Audit Engagement Partner from KPMG, who presented the consolidated financial statements for the 2018-2019 school year and responded to questions from trustees.

Motion: 20-R20, D.Morrison/M.Stringer

That the 2018/19 Financial Statements be approved. - **Carried**

- iii) 2018/19 Year End Report  
Superintendent Bazinet reviewed the report that was distributed to trustees. Trustees had the opportunity to ask questions and seek clarification.

## **F. NEW BUSINESS**

### **1. Director's Annual Report**

Director Blaseg reviewed the 2018-2019 Annual Report. This will be distributed electronically again this year. Once this is AODA compliant it will be posted on the website. Trustees expressed appreciation to Director Blaseg for the content of the report and to Nicole Charette for the presentation of the material. Chair Dewar also thanked all Rainbow Staff who make the "good news stories" in the Annual Report possible.

### **2. OPSBA Labour Relations and Human Resources Symposium 2020**

Motion: 20-R21, L.Debassige/K.St.Jean

That the Board approve the attendance of the following trustees at the OPSBA Labour Relations and Human Resources Symposium 2020 in Toronto April 30 – May 1, 2020:

Trustee Clement  
Trustee Gibson  
Trustee Hunda  
Trustee Kosmerly  
Trustee Morrison  
Trustee Stringer - **Carried**

### **3. Requests for Leave of Absence**

Motion: 20-R22, J/Hunda/J.Kosmerly

That Student Trustee Gauvreau be granted a leave of absence from the December 10, 2019 Board meeting. – **Carried**



#### 4. **Director's Remarks**

Administrative Transfers are necessary starting January 6, 2020. Sudbury SS and Levack PS have vacancies as a result of a leave and a retirement.

##### **Elementary**

Vice Principal Darren Wilson appointed as acting Principal Levack PS effective January 6, 2020 to July 10, 2020.

Acting Vice Principal Jamie Bouchard transferred as acting Vice Principal of Lasalle SS effective January 6, 2020 to June 26, 2020.

Lisa Puddester appointed as acting Vice Principal of Northeastern Elementary School effective January 6, 2020 to June 26, 2020

##### **Secondary**

Vice Principal David Bertrim appointed as acting Principal of Sudbury Secondary School effective January 31, 2020 to July 10, 2020

Kyle Gutscher appointed as acting Vice Principal of Lively DSS effective January 31, 2020 to June 26, 2020.

The Director advised that work continues with employee groups, more specifically OSSTF and ETFO. Communication with both groups has been very helpful during provincial negotiations. Information letters are shared on the Rainbow DSB website in order to keep stakeholders in the know.

The Director advised that on Thursday, December 5, RDSB launched its version of Edgar Burtons Kids Helping Kids Campaign. Principal Kerri Monaghan held a news conference at MacLeod PS which featured Q-92 radio morning host Mellaney Dahl. Mel interviewed students and dignitaries on live radio, creating a really festive atmosphere, one filled with hope and a genuine desire to help families in need. Vale, Dan Xilon (Executive Director with The Sudbury Food Bank), Mayor Brian Bigger and Director Blaseg were on hand to watch students from MacLeod PS kick-start the campaign. The goal to surpass over 280,000 cans of food and \$43,000 had a wonderful start as two huge bake tables were selling donated food items at a ferocious pace.

Trustees were reminded to visit schools and attend Christmas luncheons. Many schools have a traditional Christmas meal and provide all students with an opportunity to eat with their friends and enjoy the festivities of the year together.

Director Blaseg wished everyone a Happy Holiday, and looks forward to 2020.

##### **Itinerary:**

Nov 21 Free to be Me Student Conference, Lockerby Composite School

Nov 22 PA Day

- Nov 25 First Nations Advisory Committee (FNAC)  
Exec Council (Principal teleconference)
- Nov 26 Executive Council  
Strategic Planning Committee Meeting
- Nov 29 Confederation SS awards ceremony  
Sudbury SS – Alice in Wonderland performance
- Dec 2 Safe Schools meeting  
Agenda Setting
- Dec 3 Exec Council (Principal teleconference)  
Labour Relations Committee meeting  
Executive Council
- Dec 4 OSSTF Labour Action  
Safe Schools meeting  
Edgar Burton “Kids Helping Kids Launch” at MacLeod PS
- Dec 6 First Nations portfolio meeting
- Dec 9 Audit Committee meeting
- Dec 10 Sudbury Student Services Consortium AGM  
Exec Council  
Board Meeting

3. **Other Items**

OPSBA Director – Trustee Clement reported that he attended an OPSBA Directors’ meeting November 23, 24, and 25 in Toronto. He spent three days in meetings from Saturday to Monday with OPSBA Directors, including an advocacy day on Monday, November 25, continuing to promote Northern Ontario and the unique needs. Trustee Clement advised that he mostly spoke to NDP MPPs at the “meet and greet” at Queen’s Park.

Trustee Clement also spoke about a Nanos poll and encouraged trustee to check the OPSBA website for details.

Student Trustee – no report

4. **Trustees’ Remarks/Questions**

Trustee Kosmerly spoke about the CEC conference that she recently attended, along with Trustee Stringer and Trustee St. Jean. She commented on the excellent presentations and advised trustees that she would have notes available if anyone was interested.

Trustee Stringer also commented on the excellent CEC conference. She also has notes that are available to fellow trustees.

Trustee Gibson asked about Parent Reaching Out Grants. Superintendent Noble explained that the Ministry has provided \$9,000 for all of Rainbow DSB. An application process (reviewed by the Parent Involvement Committee) has resulted in 13 schools receiving a maximum of \$1000 for their school initiative. Additional funds will be required from the Board.

Trustee Morrison voiced her appreciation in the feedback about the CEC conference from fellow trustees. She also spoke about the Christmas Feast scheduled at Churchill PS later this week.

Trustee Morrison spoke about the recent Citizenship Ceremony that she took part in where over 100 people took the oath, including many children.

Trustee Hunda commented on the many events going on in Rainbow Schools from sporting events, Christmas concerts, the Christmas telethon, musical productions and Christmas feasts. She thanks dedication staff for their endless commitment to students.

Trustee St. Jean also commented on the CEC conference. She advised that she is now a member of The Minister's Advisory Council On Special Education. Trustee St. Jean is interested in the mental health initiatives throughout the province as well as blind and partially sighted students in Ontario.

5. **Chairperson's Remarks**

The festive season is one of the most wonderful times of the year in Rainbow Schools as students and staff spread holiday cheer in many ways....

canned food drives  
acts of kindness  
carols and concerts  
turkey and the trimmings  
Santa and spirit days  
hats, scarves and mitts for families in need

For a listing of the plethora of festive events at 27 different schools in the Rainbow family, visit [rainbowschools.ca](http://rainbowschools.ca)

The thought for this month is a repeat from the well-known and dearly loved story, *How the Grinch Stole Christmas* by Dr. Seuss. Quote: "It came without ribbons! It came without tags! It came without packages, boxes or bags!... *Then* the Grinch thought of something he hadn't before! "Maybe Christmas," he thought, "*doesn't* come from a store. Maybe Christmas... perhaps... means a little bit more!"

On behalf of the Board, I would like to wish all of our students, parents/guardians, staff and community partners, a happy and healthy holiday season.

Stay safe.

May 2020 bring you peace and joy.

Thank you.

**G. INFORMATION AND PROPOSALS**

1. **Reports from Officials and Staff**

Parent Involvement Committee minutes May 14, 2019 (official)

Parent Involvement Committee minutes October 29, 2019 (official)

2. **Non-Staff Communications**

**H. FUTURE MEETINGS**

Student Senate Meeting January 6, 2020 5:30 pm Ernie Checkers Boardroom

Parent Involvement Cmttee January 7, 2020 7:00 pm Boardroom

Special Education Advisory Cmttee Jan 8, 2020 12:00 pm Centre for Education Room 125

Environmental Education Cmttee Meeting Jan 9, 2020 3:30 pm Centre for Education Room 125

School Year Structure Committee Meeting Jan 13, 2020 3:30 pm Centre for Education Rm 125

Strategic Planning Committee Meeting Jan 14, 2020 5:00 pm Ernie Checkers Boardroom

Board Meeting January 28, 2020 5:00 pm Boardroom

Equity & Inclusion Ed Committee Feb 14, 2020 4:00 pm Ernie Checkers Boardroom

First Nation Advisory Committee Feb 20, 2020 10:00 am Centre for Education Room 125

**I. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion: 20-R23, D.Morrison/B.Clement

That we now adjourn at 7:15 p.m. – **Carried.**