

RAINBOW DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD
Minutes of the
STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING

held in the Ernie Checkeris Boardroom
408 Wembley Drive, Sudbury
on Tuesday, March 3, 2020 at 5:05 pm.

Present: Trustees: D. Morrison (Chair), B. Clement, D. Dewar, A. Gibson, J. Kosmerly, M. Stringer (via google hangout), Student Trustee C. Gauvreau
Absent: L. Debassige, J. Hunda, K. St. Jean
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, K. Dokis, T. Hayes, C. McDonald

A. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion: J.Kosmerly/D.Dewar

That the agenda for the Strategic Planning Committee meeting for March 3, 2020 be approved. - **Carried**

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

C. **PRESENTATIONS**

2018-2019 Annual Report
First Nations Education Service Agreement

Kathy Dokis, Principal of Indigenous Education, shared an informative power point presentation, making reference to the 2018-2019 Annual Report First Nations Education Service Agreement. Data was reviewed.

Trustees had an opportunity to comment and ask questions.

D. **OLD BUSINESS**

1. Mental Health supports update

Director Blaseg advised trustees that he is meeting with agency leaders in the City of Greater Sudbury regarding supports and solutions for treatment for students.

Director Blaseg advised that he has met with five individuals to date and another four are scheduled before the end of March.

Director Blaseg spoke about the importance of critical services being available to children/students in our city with intensive needs and the importance of a shared understanding within our community for the future of each of these children.

2. Minutes

a) Motion: J.Kosmerly/D.Dewar

That the minutes of the Organizational Meeting of the Strategic Planning Committee meeting held on January 14, 2020 be approved. – **Carried**

b) Motion: B.Clement/D.Dewar

That the minutes of the Strategic Planning Committee meeting held on January 14, 2020 be approved. – **Carried**

E. **NEW BUSINESS**

Interim Report

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. 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.

F. **FUTURE ITEMS**

Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition (PLAR)

Poverty

Policy Review

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

Student Senate

G. **TRUSTEES' REMARKS**

Trustee Dewar spoke about the upcoming conference that is being organized by the Student Senate. Student Trustee Gauvreau reminded trustees that the focus of the conference is the environment and is scheduled to take place on April 29 and 30, 2020 at Dynamic Earth.

Trustee Stringer asked about acknowledgement of territorial land at meetings of the Board. Director Blaseg advised that board personnel are working with elders to determine appropriate verbiage.

Trustee Stringer spoke about *Governance By-Law 14: Electronic Meetings*. She advised that sometimes trustees need to attend a meeting from a distance and google hangout is a solution. She questioned whether the by-law requires revisions.

Both Trustee Dewar and Trustee Clement shared that recently they spoke to students who have made use of the new dome at Lasalle Secondary School and what a joy it was to play soccer in such a facility.

Margaret Stringer shared information about the upcoming 50th anniversary celebration taking place at Manitoulin Secondary School on August 29 & 30, 2020.

H. **FUTURE MEETINGS**

April 7, 2020

May 5, 2020

June 9, 2020

I. **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion: J.Kosmerly/B.Clement

That the meeting be adjourned (6:17 pm). - **Carried**