

RAINBOW DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD
Minutes of the
STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING
held electronically via Google Meet
and livestreamed from the Ernie Checkeris Boardroom
at the Centre for Education, 408 Wembley Drive, Sudbury
on Tuesday, October 11, 2022 at 5:02 PM

Present: Trustees: D. Morrison (Chair), B. Clement, L. Debassige, D. Dewar,
A. Gibson, J. Hunda, J. Kosmerly, , K. St. Jean, M. Stringer,
Student Trustee Kuntsi
Absent: Student Trustee Trudeau
Officials: B. Bourget – Director of Education and Secretary of the
Board
D. Bazinet – Superintendent of Business
L. Fisher, J. Noble, K. Wachnuk – Superintendents
Staff: N. Charette, M. Cootes, Pablo G-A., T. Hayes, S. Jokinen,
D. Kitching, D. Peristeridis, J. Vallier, C. Whitson

Chair Morrison called the meeting to order and advised that the meeting was being live-streamed.

Director Bourget completed roll call to establish who was participating in the Google Meet.

A. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion: J.Kosmerly/D.Dewar

That the agenda for the Strategic Planning Committee meeting of October 11, 2022 be approved. - **Carried**

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

C. **PRESENTATIONS**

Sarah Jokinen (Mental Health Lead), Matt Cootes (Physical Education & Physical Literacy Co-Ordinator, K-12) and Pablo Gil-Alfau (Principal of Safe Schools) shared an informative presentation on some of the initiatives that are taking place in Rainbow Schools in support of student Mental Health and Well-Being.

Sarah explained the role of mental health services in schools, shared the key messages from School Mental Health Ontario for the 2022-2023 school year, and shared some highlights of the 2022-2023 mental health action plan, which outlines how we plan to move towards recovery and supporting our students to thrive.

Principal Gil-Alfau shared the Dare to Care program that is being piloted in 12 Rainbow Schools during the 2022-23 school year. The Dare to Care virtual program provides learning/education modules for administrators, teachers, support staff, parents/guardians, and students from Kindergarten to Grade 8.

Matt explained the focus of his role with the board on addressing the well-being of students ensuring they are not only physically well, but mentally, socially and emotionally. His plans include more culturally relevant activities to meet the needs of our ever-changing diverse student population. Matt also created a website for teachers with resources, links and booking information.

D. **OLD BUSINESS**

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Motion: D.Dewar/J.Kosmerly

That the minutes of the Strategic Planning Committee meeting held on September 13, 2022 be approved. - **Carried**

E. **NEW BUSINESS** NIL

F. **FUTURE ITEMS**

Athletics

Policy Review

- o Policy No. GOV-05: Code of Conduct: Board Members

G. **TRUSTEES' REMARKS** NIL

H. **FUTURE MEETINGS**

November 8, 2022

January 10, 2023

February 7, 2023

March 7, 2023

April 4, 2023

May 2, 2023

June 6, 2023

I. **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion: J.Hunda/M.Stringer

That the meeting be adjourned at 6:05 p.m. - **Carried**