

The special meeting of the Elk Island Public Schools Board of Trustees was held on Thursday, April 27, 2023, in the Boardroom, Central Services, Sherwood Park, Alberta. The Board of Trustees meeting convened with Board Chair Trina Boymook calling the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

- T. Boymook, Board Chair
- C. Holowaychuk, Vice-Chair
- C. Allen
- R. Footz
- D. Irwin
- S. Miller (virtual)
- J. Seutter
- J. Shotbolt
- R. Sorochan

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT

- M. Liguori, Superintendent
- S. Stoddard, Associate Superintendent, Supports for Students
- B. Billey, Associate Superintendent, Human Resources
- C. Cole, Secretary-Treasurer
- D. Antymniuk, Division Principal
- L. McNabb, Director, Communication Services
- C. Langford-Pickering, Executive Assistant/Recording Secretary

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 9:03 a.m. with all trustees noted above in attendance.

TREATY 6 ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Board Chair Boymook acknowledged with respect the history, spirituality, and culture and languages of the First Nations people with whom Treaty 6 was entered into, the territory wherein EIPS resides. We acknowledge our responsibility as Treaty members. We also honour the heritage and gifts of the Métis people.

New Business

2023-24 BUDGET ALLOCATIONS INCLUDING USE OF RESERVES

Superintendent Liguori introduced Secretary-Treasurer Cole, Director von Tettenborn and Director Lewis to present to the Board the 2023-24 budget allocations for approval.

Trustee Footz left meeting at 9:44 a.m. and returned at 9:46 a.m.

Board Chair Boymook shared that the Board met with the City of Fort Saskatchewan on April 26, 2023, and expressed concerns around the Board spending money in areas outside their mandate to deal with issues experienced in the City.

The City of Fort Saskatchewan did have a Family School Liaison Worker (FSLW) at one point but the grant from the Province to the City has been suspended. The Board will lend a voice with the City of Fort Saskatchewan that those types of funds are important, and that the province needs to make the investments to help serve the whole community. The FSLWs not only support students but the whole family to help students be better equipped and successful. Investments in the municipalities and access to resources.

Superintendent Liguori shared that administration will be having conversation with the new community service director from the City of Fort Saskatchewan. Dr. Stoddard indicated there are synergies that administration believe can be made but will take time.

093/2023 | Trustee Irwin moved: That the Board of Trustees approves the use of reserves and allocations for 2023-24, as presented. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Board recessed at 10:10 a.m. and reconvened at 10:21 a.m. with all trustees noted above in attendance.

BOARD POLICY 17: STUDENT TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

Trustee Footz presented to the Board for approval amendments to Board Policy 17: Student Transportation Services.

094/2023 | Trustee Shotbolt moved: That the Board of Trustees approves amendments to Board Policy 17: Student Transportation Services, as presented. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

STUDENT TRANSPORTATION FEE SCHEDULE

Superintendent Liguori introduced Director Weder and Division Principal Antymniuk to present for approval the proposed 2023-24 Student Transportation Fee Schedule.

The Board extended thanks to the Student Transportation staff for the initial work done to allow optional transportation and reduced fees a year ahead of the funding manual timelines. Kudos for the department's work and creativity.

Board Chair noted that fees charged align with the Student Transportation legislation.

095/2023 | Trustee Seutter moved: That the Board of Trustees approves the proposed 2023-24 Student Transportation Fee Schedule, as presented. *CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY*

ADJOURNMENT

Board Chair Boymook declared the meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

Trina Boymook, Board Chair

Mark Liguori, Superintendent