



BOARD MEETING MINUTES

February 18, 2021

The regular meeting of the Elk Island Public Schools Board of Trustees was held on Thursday, February 18, 2021, virtually via Zoom Cloud Meetings and Central Services, Sherwood Park, Alberta. The Board of Trustees meeting convened with Board Chair Trina Boymook calling the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Via video conference:

T. Boymook, Board Chair
C. Holowaychuk, Vice-Chair
R. Footz
S. Gordon
A. Hubick
D. Irwin
J. Seutter
H. Stadnick
H. Wall

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT

Via video conference:

M. Liguori, Superintendent
S. Stoddard, Associate Superintendent
B. Billey, Associate Superintendent
C. Cole, Secretary-Treasurer
L. McNabb, Director, Communication Services
C. Langford-Pickering, Executive Assistant/Recording Secretary

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 9:00 a.m. with all trustees noted above in attendance.

IN CAMERA SESSION

016/2021 | Trustee Irwin moved: That the Board meet in camera (9:00 a.m.).

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

017/2021 | Trustee Wall moved: That the Board revert to regular session (10:33 a.m.).

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Board recessed at 10:33 a.m. and reconvened at 10:43 a.m. with all trustees noted above in attendance.

TREATY 6 ACKNOWLEDGMENT

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

AGENDA

Vice-Chair Holowaychuk requested an addition to the agenda under New Business, as number 11 and the rest of the agenda renumbered accordingly. Item 11 titled: Junior and Senior High Rural Attendance Boundaries – Lamont County.

018/2021 | Trustee Wall moved: That the Agenda be adopted, as amended.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Board Chair Boymook called for confirmation of the Jan. 21, 2021 Board Meeting Minutes.

019/2021 | Trustee Stadnick moved: That the Board of Trustees approve the Minutes of Jan. 21, 2021 Board Meeting, as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CHAIR REPORT

Board Chair Boymook presented the Chair's report.

020/2021 | Board Chair Boymook moved: That the Board of Trustees receive the Chair's report for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

No report was presented.

COMMENTS, PRESENTATIONS AND DELEGATIONS AT BOARD MEETINGS

No comments, presentations and delegations were presented.

Association and Local Reports

ASBA ZONE 2/3 REPORT

Vice-Chair Holowaychuk presented to the Board the report from the ASBA Zone 2/3 meeting held on Jan. 29, 2021.

021/2021 | Vice-Chair Holowaychuk moved: That the Board of Trustees receive the report from the representative of the ASBA Zone 2/3 for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ATA LOCAL REPORT

Board Chair Boymook welcomed ATA representative D. Zielke. Representative Zielke presented the Local ATA report to the Board.

022/2021 | Trustee Hubick moved: That the Board of Trustees receive the report from the representative of the ATA Local #28 for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Business Arising from Previous Meeting

No business arising from the previous meeting.

New Business

BUSINESS ARISING FROM IN CAMERA

No business arising from in camera.

JUNIOR AND SENIOR HIGH RURAL ATTENDANCE BOUNDARIES – LAMONT COUNTY

Vice-Chair Holowaychuk made a motion related to the rural junior high and senior high attendance boundaries in Lamont County and that the Board offer a grandfathering sibling clause to those students within the amended areas who may wish to continue at Lamont High School.

023/2021 | Vice-Chair Holowaychuk moved that:

1. students residing west of Highway 855 and Township Road 164, including all those within the Village of Andrew limits, are designated to attend Lamont High School;
2. students residing east of Highway 855 and Township Road 164, excluding those within the Village of Andrew limits, are designated to attend Vegreville Composite High School; and
3. the Board offer a grandfathering sibling clause to those students within the amended area map that may wish to continue at Lamont High.

Trustee Irwin requested an amendment to include “junior and senior high” to Vegreville Composite High School name in the second section. Point of clarity was made by Superintendent Liguori that the name of the school in the motion was correct. Trustee Irwin withdrew his request to amend the motion.

Board Chair Boymook opened the floor for questions. Trustee Stadnick, Trustee Footz, Trustee Hubick and Trustee Gordon spoke in favour of the motion. Director Weder sought clarification related to the sibling clause.

Vice-Chair Holowaychuk suggested that the third section of the motion related to grandfathering be separated from the attendance boundary piece.

The Board recessed at 11:04 a.m. and reconvened at 11:17 a.m. with all trustees noted above in attendance.

024/2021 | Vice-Chair Holowaychuk moved to amend motion 023/2021 and strike out the grandfather clause to read:

1. students residing west of Highway 855 and Township Road 164, including all those within the Village of Andrew limits, are designated to attend Lamont High School;
2. students residing east of Highway 855 and Township Road 164, excluding those within the Village of Andrew limits, are designated to attend Vegreville Composite High School.

Board Chair Boymook opened the floor for discussion on the amendment to strike out the third section related to grandfathering.

VOTE ON THE AMENDMENT: CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Board Chair Boymook opened the floor for discussion on the amended motion 024/2021.

VOTE ON THE AMENDED MOTION 024/2021: CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

025/2021 | Vice-Chair Holowaychuk moved that if Motion 024/2021 was approved: That the Board grandfather those students and their siblings who reside in the amended area, who wish to continue at Lamont High.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Vice-Chair Holowaychuk commented that it was the right thing to do to keep continuity for students.

ALBERTA SCHOOL COUNCIL ASSOCIATION VIRTUAL CONFERENCE AND GENERAL MEETING SPONSORSHIP

Board Chair Boymook presented to the Board a recommendation to sponsor one school council member to a maximum of 15 to attend the 2021 Annual Virtual Conference and General Meeting.

026/2021 | Board Chair Boymook moved: That the Board of Trustees approve the sponsorship of one school council member per school, to a maximum of 15 to attend the Alberta School Councils virtual Conference & Annual General Meeting, April 23 - 25, 2021, and that the deadline for submission align with the ASCA Conference registration.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2022-25 THREE-YEAR CAPITAL PLAN

Assistant Director Derech and Education Planner Dragon presented to the Board for approval the 2022-25 Three-Year Capital Plan.

027/2021 | Trustee Wall moved: That the Board of Trustees approve the 2022-25 Three-Year Capital Plan as presented for submission to Alberta Education.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BORROWING RESOLUTIONS

Director Lewis presented to the Board for approval the Borrowing Resolutions.

028/2021 | Trustee Seutter moved: That the Board of Trustees approve the borrowing resolution to meet expenditures during the fiscal year 2020-21.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Committee Reports

STUDENT EXPULSION COMMITTEE

Trustee Stadnick presented a report from the Student Expulsion Committee meeting held on Jan. 27, 2021, for information.

029/2021 | Trustee Stadnick moved: That the Board of Trustees receive for information the report from the Policy Committee meeting held on Jan. 27, 2021.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

POLICY COMMITTEE

Trustee Footz presented a report from the Policy Committee meeting held on Feb. 9, 2021, for information.

030/2021 | Trustee Footz moved: That the Board of Trustees receive for information the report from the Policy Committee meeting held on Feb. 9, 2021.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADVOCACY COMMITTEE

Board Chair Boymook presented to the Board a report from the Advocacy Committee meeting held on Feb. 17, 2021, for information.

031/2021 | Board Chair Boymook moved: That the Board of Trustees receive for information the report from the Advocacy Committee meeting held on Feb. 17, 2021.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Reports for Information

No reports for information were presented.

Trustees' Report, Notices of Motion and Request for Information

Reports by trustees were presented.

ADJOURNMENT

Board Chair Boymook declared the meeting adjourned at 12:12 p.m.

Trina Boymook, Board Chair

Mark Liguori, Superintendent