

# MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL OF SCHOOL COUNCILS MEETING HELD AT THE CENTRE FOR EDUCATION IN STONY PLAIN, ALBERTA ON THURSDAY, MARCH 15, 2018

#### **ATTENDANCE:**

School Council Representatives John Tucker - Woodhaven joined at 7:18 pm. Rich Haggarty - Prescott Nicole Rentz-Tilki - Prescott Pam Pirie - Millgrove Patricia Whalen - Blueberry Jen Richens - Blueberry Lisa Warner - Graminia Chantelle deBoer - Parkland Village Lisa Webb - MCHS Dale Stenback - SGCHS Lei Gryshik – Brookwood joined at 7:18 pm. Board of Trustees Anne Montgomery, Trustee

<u>Administration</u> Scott Johnston, Associate Superintendent Serge LaBrie, Director, Facilities Services Jordi Weidman, Director, Communications & Strategic Planning Archie Lillico, Principal Murray Marran, Principal

Recording Secretary Jenny Chen

## 1. CALL TO ORDER

Acting Chair Rich Haggarty called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

## 2. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

## 3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Patricia Whalen that the Agenda of the March 15, 2018 meeting be approved as presented. Seconded by Lisa Warner. CARRIED

## 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Lisa Warner that the Minutes of the February 22, 2018 meeting be approved as presented. Seconded by Pam Pirie. CARRIED

## 5. Board Report

- Trustee Montgomery spoke on trustees' recent tours to various schools and the March 6 2018 Regular Board Meeting.
- Edwin Parr nominees were announced. The 2018-19 and the 2019-20 school calendars were adjusted slightly in light of the conflicting DIP dates in November and April. Drafts of the 2019-20 school calendar were circulated to stakeholders for feedback. Fees and Allowances for the 2018-19 school year were approved. Discussion ensued.

John Tucker assumed the role of Chair at 7:18 pm.

## 6. Senior Administration Report

Associate Superintendent Johnston shared stakeholders' feedback on the proposed 2019-20 school calendars and answered questions.

## 7. Use of Social Media and Resolving Parent Concerns

Jordi Weidman, Director of Communications and Strategic Planning, spoke on the impact of social media and the communication between parents and schools, and answered questions. Discussion ensued. Thought Exchange survey results can be accessed through schools' websites.

#### 8. Health and Safety in Schools

Serge LaBrie, Director of Facilities Services, presented on infrastructure maintenance and renewal projects and answered questions. There was discussion around building and playground inspections at schools.

#### 9. Discussion Items:

 <u>Alberta School Councils' Association Conference</u> (April 20-22, 2018) Reminder Draft <u>Resolutions</u> have been updated to include input from school councils and are available on the ASCA website.

The <u>proxy form</u> was circulated to all school council chairs following the previous COSC meeting. The submission deadline is April 17, 2018. A reminder email regarding the proxy form will be sent to school council chairs following this meeting.

<u>Registration</u> is open online and the deadline is noon, April 16, 2018. Rich Haggarty will coordinate representatives' participation at the conference.

#### **10. Future Agenda Items**

- Status of Online Registration Scott Johnston (May 3, 2018)
- School Fees Jason Krefting (May 3, 2018)
  - Consultation with School Councils
  - Use of Acorn
  - Collection of Funds by Staff for Societies/Association Purposes
- Alberta School Councils' Association Conference Report
- Tentative Date for the First COSC Meeting in 2018-2019

#### **11. ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Chair John Tucker that the meeting adjourn at 8:50 p.m. CARRIED

Next Meeting: Thursday, May 3, 2018, 7 pm (Last Meeting of 2017-2018)