

REPORT OF THE CHAIR'S COMMITTEE

2019 September 17
12:15 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.

MEMBERS

J. Bennett B. McKinnon
A. Morell (Chair) S. Polhill (+12:23, -1:34)
J. Skinner

ADMINISTRATION AND OTHERS

M. Fisher (-1:28,+1:34) B. Williams

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda, as amended, was approved by motion.

2. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST – none declared

3. REVIEW UPCOMING MEETING AGENDAS

The committee reviewed and discussed the upcoming in-camera and public Board meeting agendas for 2019 September 24.

4. CORRESPONDENCE

The Committee received correspondence from OPSBA regarding efforts to advocate for student achievement and well-being. It was agreed that Chair Morell will draft a letter to local MPPs and municipal leaders, with the support of Communications and the Director, regarding the work of the board including the four strategic priorities.

It also was agreed to start the annual process of setting up meetings with MPPs and municipalities.

5. BYLAW AD HOC COMMITTEE

The following recommendation was moved and CARRIED:

That Trustees L. Pizzolato, B. Smith, C. Rahman, J. Bennett, and A. Morell be appointed to the Bylaw Ad Hoc Committee.

A. Morell suggested having two professional development sessions – one on parliamentary procedure and another on the legal responsibilities of Trustees. A. Morell provided information on potential presenters. It was agreed A. Morell will follow up to schedule the presentations for all Trustees and Senior Team.

6. RURAL EDUCATION TASK FORCE

As a follow up to the Board decision of 2019 June 25, that the Chair's Committee be directed to establish a Rural Education Task Force, discussion considered the process for moving this initiative forward. It was agreed there should be a Steering Committee established having members that include trustees representing rural communities, a Superintendent, Administrators from rural schools, and Research and Assessment. Further discussion on the process for establishing the Steering Committee will continue at the next meeting.

7. OSTA-AECO 2019-20 MEMBERSHIP FEE

The invoice and related correspondence regarding the 2019-2020 Ontario Student Trustees Association (OSTA) membership was received.

The following recommendation was moved and CARRIED:

That membership to the Ontario Student Trustees Association be renewed.

The membership to OSTA will be paid in the amount of \$4,646.05.

8. TEACHER APPRECIATION FOLLOW UP

Deferred.

9. IN CAMERA

On motion the committee moved in camera at 1:22 p.m.; reconvening in public session at 1:34 p.m.

10. TRUSTEES' PD REQUESTS (STANDING ITEM)

The following motion was moved and CARRIED:

That Student Trustees E. Butler, S. Chun, and C. Kennedy be approved to attend the OSTA fall General Meeting scheduled for 2019 October 17-20.

11. OTHER BUSINESS

a. Meeting Materials

In response to a question, B. Williams advised all committee in-camera materials should be posted in the portal; she will follow up to ensure this is done going forward.

b. Advisory Meeting Topics

A. Morell provided for information a follow up report from the 2019 September 10 Planning and Priorities meeting regarding the exercise on future agenda items. (CC-1). It was agreed to use the input to inform and prioritize items for future agenda items noting the importance of aligning reports to the strategic priorities.

c. Bylaws

A. Morell advised on two areas of the Bylaws requiring review by the Bylaw Adhoc Committee. This included a) amendments to the Code of Conduct to reference the Integrity Commissioner process and b) amendments to reflect the change in Principal and Vice Principal interviews. It was confirmed the Administrative procedure in this regard is now under review to reflect the change in the composition of interview committees.

12. UPCOMING SYSTEM EVENTS AND INITIATIVES

- Indigenous Student Trustee Election, 2020 February 26
- Student Trustee Election, 2020 February 27
- Student Leadership Conference, 2019 November 28
- Variety Is, 2020 April 30
- Award of Distinction, 2020 May 6

In consideration of the "Four Corner" TVPIC meetings being held in the Fall, it was agreed to move the Trustee Forums to the Spring.

13. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for 2019 September 24, 12 p.m.

14. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m. by motion.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That Trustees L. Pizzolato, B. Smith, C. Rahman, J. Bennett, and A. Morell be appointed to the Bylaw Ad Hoc Committee.

That membership to the Ontario Student Trustees Association be renewed.

ARLENE MORELL
Chairperson

Planning and Priorities Advisory Committee

CC-1

September 10, 2019

2019-2020 Future Agenda Topics

RELATIONSHIPS: We build positive relationships with all members of our education community to foster an engaged and inclusive board culture.	EQUITY AND DIVERSITY: We provide an equitable and inclusive environment that champions learning opportunities for all.	ACHIEVEMENT AND WELL-BEING: We engage in innovative learning experiences that promote excellence in student achievement and well-being.
Parent/teacher/student communication (1) 1,1	Urban and Rural strategies 1	Violence in Schools 2
Positive relationships with nearby First Nations Communities 1	Community collaboration	EQAO (3) school level data, scores across board
Community Communication 1	Bussing: costs by program, by school, geography 1	Safety in Schools
HR Reports (lawsuit) 1	Sharing student stories, having more opportunities for student voice 1	Planning reports
Promoting and building connections between students and the board	International Education	Every decision through the lens of student achievement 2,1
A discussion comparing and contrasting the needs of rural communities and urban communities	Equitable opportunities for FNMI students 1,1	Innovation: looking for opportunities to pilot ministry initiatives in our schools 2,2
Role identification	Equitable fundraising	Updates on various programs: chrome books, robotics, coding, virtual reality
Rural and Urban strategies 2,1	ESL Updates: locations, capacity, funding 1	ESL overview structure change
Current information	Portables: what we have, what we need, age of portables, risks 1	Program updates: Alternative Education, School within a School, Adult Education 2
	Secondary staffing, courses offered, class size and funding 2	Asset Management Reports: risk and costs overtime of all assets, replacement timelines 3,1
	Out of Area – elementary and secondary	Grad rates 1,1
	Cost of free menstruation products in elementary schools 1,1,1	Include mental health as an option for absence on messenger 1,1,1
		Safe Schools 1,1,1
		Asset Management – short and long term

Trustee Initiated Future Agenda Items Advisory Committees

Planning and Priorities Advisory Committee
September, 10 2019

	Strategic Priority	Topic	Committee	Meeting Date
Communications	Relationships	Parent		
		Student		
		Teacher		
		Community		
		Include mental health as an option for absence on messenger		
FNMI	Relationships	Positive relationships with nearby First Nations communities		
	Equity and Diversity	Equitable opportunities		
ESL	Equity and Diversity	Locations Capacity Funding		
	Achievement and Well-Being	Overview structure change		
Facilities: Portables	Equity and Diversity	What we have and need Age of Portables Risks		
HR	Relationships	Updates on legal/lawsuits		
Students	Relationships	Promoting and building relationships between students and the board		
	Equity and Diversity	Student Voice; sharing student stories		
		Cost of free menstruation products in elementary schools		
Secondary Ed	Equity and Diversity	Secondary staffing		
		courses offered		
		class size and funding		

	Achievement and Well-Being	Graduation rates		
Transportation				
Safe Schools	Equity and Diversity	Violence in Schools School Safety		
Equitable Fundraising	Equity and Diversity			
Out of Area	Equity and Diversity	Students attending out of area Elementary and Secondary		
International Education	Equity and Diversity			
Innovation	Achievement and Well-Being	Opportunities to pilot Ministry initiatives		
Technology	Achievement and Well-Being	Coding Chromebooks Robotics Virtual e-learning		
Asset Management	Achievement and Well-Being	Risk and Cost Short and Long-Term Replacement Timelines		
EQAO	Achievement and Well-Being	School level data Across the board		
Decision Making	Achievement and Well-Being	Lens of student Achievement and Well-Being		
Program Updates	Achievement and Well-Being	Alt. Ed. School within a School Adult Ed		
Role Identification Governance?	Relationships			
Urban and Rural Strategies	Equity and Diversity			
	Relationships			