

REPORT OF THE CHAIR'S COMMITTEE

2019 December 3
12:11 p.m. – 2:23 p.m.

MEMBERS

J. Bennett C. Rahman
A. Morell (Chair) M. Ruddock
B. Yeoman (+1:32)

ADMINISTRATION AND OTHERS

M. Fisher B. Williams

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda, as amended, was approved by motion.

2. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST – as noted under item 10.

3. REVIEW UPCOMING MEETING AGENDAS

The agenda for the Inaugural meeting of the Board, the draft public and in-camera agendas for the 2019 December 17 meeting of the Board, and the draft Advisory agendas for January were reviewed and discussed.

4. IN CAMERA

On motion, the committee moved in camera at 12:56 p.m., reconvening in public session at 12:58 p.m.

5. CORRESPONDENCE - none

6. RURAL EDUCATION TASK FORCE MEMBERSHIP AND AGENDA

A. Morell summarized the plans to bring together a Steering Committee to inform the process for the Rural Education Task Force. It was noted Trustees Morell, Ruddock, Smith, Yeoman, and Hunt have been appointed to this committee.

The following recommendation was moved and carried:

That the following individuals be appointed to the Rural Education Task Force Steering Committee: Suzanne McCullough, OSSTF; Jennifer Brackenbury, OPC-Elementary; Larisa Grant, OPC-Secondary; Jennifer Nuyens, Thames Valley Council of Home and School Associations; Adrian Cornelissen, Middlesex County; Sally Martyn, Elgin County; Marcus Ryan, Oxford County; and Student Trustees Butler and Kennedy.

A second invitation will be extended to Trustees. Recognizing there may be other members to be appointed, an electronic vote will be called as necessary, in advance of the next regularly scheduled Board meeting.

The agenda was reviewed and approved.

7. COMMITTEES OF THE BOARD

The selection of Trustees to Board Committees made at the 2019 December 2 session was reviewed.

The following recommendation was moved and carried:

That the appointment of Trustees to committees of the Board for 2019-2020, as outlined on the *Committees of the Board and Community Representation 2019-2020*, be approved.

In consideration of meetings scheduled in December it was determined the recommendation will be presented to the full Board for their approval at the Inaugural meeting scheduled for 2019 December 10.

It was agreed to note in the Terms of Reference for the Discipline Committee that the First Nations Trustee be appointed as an alternate with the intent they be called upon to participate should the hearing concern an FNMI student.

8. PUBLIC INPUT REQUEST

An application for public input was received and discussed. Supervisor B. Williams was asked to have Administration follow up.

9. BOARD ROOM SEATING PLAN

The Board Room seating plan was reviewed and changes made.

10. TRUSTEES' PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT REQUESTS

Professional development request forms from Trustees were received and reviewed.

The following motion was moved and carried:

That Trustees Skinner, Hunt, Morell, Smith, Pizzolato, Cuddy, Antone, Rahman, and Ruddock be approved to attend the Public Education Symposium (PES) scheduled for January 23-25, 2019.

With respect to a request from the Chair to attend an upcoming workshop through Western Continuing Studies, C. Rahman declared a conflict of interest.

The following motion was moved and carried:

That Trustee Morell be approved to attend the Collaborative Conflict Resolution workshop scheduled for Jan 15-16, 2019.

11. UPCOMING EVENTS AND INITIATIVES

- Indigenous Student Trustee Election, 2020 February 26
- Student Trustee Election, 2020 February 27
- Variety Is, 2020 April 30
- Award of Distinction, 2020 May 6

12. OTHER BUSINESS

a. Policy Working Committee Agenda

Going forward the Policy Working Committee agenda will be submitted to the Committee Chair in advance of the meeting for their review.

b. Time of Chair's Meetings

Discussion considered the future meeting times for the Chair's Committee. The dates and times for the year were established as outlined under item 13.

c. Trustee Forums Update

A. Morell advised work continues on setting the dates and locations for the Trustee Forums. Communications is working on materials for those meetings. There was a request that new Trustees be provided background information on the Forums outlining the expectations. The importance of having dates as soon as possible was highlighted. Discussion considered the potential for hosting the forums by wards in London.

d. Land Acknowledgement

A. Morell advised she will be consulting with Student Trustee C. Kennedy and Trustee C. Antone regarding the current land acknowledgement used by the Board noting the land acknowledgement at the recent student leadership conference was well done.

e. Trustee Professional Fund

A. Morell proposed the reserve fund be used to support the two alternate OPSBA members to attend the OPSBA meetings. Costs would include mileage, accommodations, and food. It was estimated there would be 4 to 5 meetings throughout the year. It was clarified there are funds to support this.

The following recommendation was moved and carried:

That the reserve fund be used to support the OPSBA Alternate Members to attend the OPSBA meetings.

In response to a question, A. Morell advised invitations to attend the Public Education Symposium will be extended to Senior Administration from the Chair.

13. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting was scheduled for 2020 January 14, 3 p.m.

Future Meeting Schedule:

January 28, 2 p.m.	February 18, 12 p.m.	March 10, 3 p.m.
March 24, 2 p.m.	April 14, 2 p.m.	April 21, 12 p.m.
May 12, 3 p.m.	May 19, 12 p.m.	June 16, 12 p.m.

14. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 2:23 p.m. by motion.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

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That the reserve fund be used to support the OPSBA Alternate Members to attend the OPSBA meetings.

The following recommendation was brought forward for approval at the 2019 December 10 meeting of the Board:

That the appointment of Trustees to committees of the Board for 2019-2020, as outlined on the *Committees of the Board and Community Representation 2019-2020*, be approved.

ARLENE MORELL
CHAIR