

THAMES VALLEY DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

SPECIAL MEETING

July 14, 2020, 6:00 P.M.

Teams Meeting

TRUSTEES

A. Morell (Chair)
J. Bennett
L. Pizzolato
M. Ruddock
B. Yeoman
C. Rahman

B. McKinnon
S. Polhill
B. Smith
J. Skinner
P. Cuddy (+6:20)
S. Hunt
E. Butler

REGRETS

C. Antone, S. Chun, C. Kennedy

ADMINISTRATION AND OTHERS

M. Fisher
J. Pratt
S. Builder
A. Canham
R. Culhane
C. Lynd
D. Wright
T. Testa
P. Skinner
S. Powell
B. Williams
K. Auckland
S. Macey (-7:38)

M. Moynihan
P. Sydor
R. Kuiper
L. Griffith-Jones
C. Giannacopoulos
K. Edgar
L. Nicholls
A. Chahbar
C. Glaser
P. Hicks
S. Smith

1. CALL TO ORDER

Board Chair Morell called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and acknowledged the traditional territory on which the Board meeting is held.

2. O CANADA

The meeting was opened with the playing of O Canada.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved on motion by Trustee Bennett, seconded by Trustee McKinnon.

4. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

None.

5. PRELIMINARY BUDGET PRESENTATION

Chair Morell reviewed the budget process and timeline.

J. Pratt provided introductory remarks recognizing the work of Finance Department.

The Finance team presented the 2020-2021 Preliminary Budget.

J. Pratt advised the preliminary 2020-2021 budget is fully compliant with the Ministry of Education requirements and is aligned to the Thames Valley District School Board 2019-2020 Operational Plan.

Administration responded to Trustee questions of clarification regarding revenues, expenses, projected student enrolment numbers, transportation costs, COVID-19 costs, and staffing.

6. REVISED SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR 2020-2021

K. Edgar presented the revised 2020-2021 school year calendar for information noting the rationale for the changes and alignment with the co-terminus board.

Questions of clarification were addressed regarding the change in the scheduled professional development days.

7. 2020-21 BOARD AND ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETINGS

M. Fisher presented for approval the revised 2020-2021 Board meeting schedule.

Discussion occurred regarding the 2020-2021 Board meeting schedule and the decision on the video recording/broadcasting of Advisory Committee meetings that was deferred to the 2020 July 14 Special Meeting of the Board.

M. Fisher noted it is the recommendation of Administration to continue the revised scheduled to the end of 2021 January. The rationale was detailed.

Questions of clarification were addressed regarding the return of face to face meetings, Board By-laws and Chair's Committee.

Trustees in favour of the motion, provided their rationale noting the efficiency of two Board meetings.

Trustees speaking against the motion identified concerns noting the length of Board and Special Board meetings.

Moved by S. Hunt

Seconded by B. Smith

THAT the revised 2020-2021 Board meeting schedule be approved (Appendix A).

CARRIED

A poll vote was completed.

YEAS: A. Morell, M. Ruddock, J. Skinner, S. Hunt, B. Smith, B. Yeoman, L. Pizzolato, B. McKinnon, P. Cuddy, J. Bennett

NAYS: C. Rahman, S. Polhill

Abstained: None.

Student Trustees: YEAS: E. Butler

Chair Morell introduced the motion deferred from the 2020 April 28 Meeting of the Board.

Following debate, on motion of Trustee Bennett, seconded by Trustee Rahman the following decision was deferred to the 2021 January 26 Board meeting.

THAT all Program and School Services Advisory Committee meetings and Planning and Priority Advisory Committee meetings be video recorded and broadcast as is done for formal Meetings of the Board.

A poll vote was completed.

YEAS: J. Bennett, C. Rahman, S. Hunt, B. McKinnon, L. Pizzolato, A. Morell, M. Ruddock, B. Yeoman,

NAYS: J. Skinner, P. Cuddy, B. Smith, S. Polhill

Abstained: None.

Student Trustees: YEAS: E. Butler

8. QUESTIONS/COMMENTS BY MEMBERS

The value of providing training for Administrator on managing school budgets and for sharing school budgets with school councils was expressed.

9. ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Trustee Smith, seconded by Trustee Yeoman the meeting adjourned at 8:23 p.m.

Arlene Morell
Chairperson

**Recommended Board and Advisory Meeting Schedule
2020 September 1 to 2021 June 30**

DATE		TIME	BOARD/COMMITTEE
2020			
September	8	6:00 p.m.	Special Meeting of the Board
	22	5:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.	In-Camera and Regular Board Meetings
October	13	6:00 p.m.	Special Meeting of the Board
	27	5:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.	In-Camera and Regular Board Meetings
November	10	6:00 p.m.	Special Meeting of the Board
	24	5:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.	In-Camera and Regular Board Meetings
December	1	6:00 p.m.	Special Board Meeting-Board Elections
	8	7:00 p.m.	Inaugural Meeting
	15	5:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.	In-Camera and Regular Board Meetings
2021			
January	12	6:00 p.m.	Special Meeting of the Board
	26	5:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.	In-Camera and Regular Board Meetings
February	2	6:00 p.m.	Program and School Services Advisory
	9	6:00 p.m.	Planning and Priorities Advisory
	23	5:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.	In-Camera and Regular Board Meetings
March	2	6:00 p.m.	Program and School Services Advisory
	9	6:00 p.m.	Planning and Priorities Advisory
	23	5:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.	In-Camera and Regular Board Meetings
April	6	6:00 p.m.	Program and School Services Advisory
	13	6:00 p.m.	Planning and Priorities Advisory
	27	5:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.	In-Camera and Regular Board Meetings
May	4	6:00 p.m.	Program and School Services Advisory
	11	6:00 p.m.	Planning and Priorities Advisory
	25	5:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.	In-Camera and Regular Board Meetings
June	1	6:00 p.m.	Program and School Services Advisory
	8	6:00 p.m.	Planning and Priorities Advisory
	22	5:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.	In-Camera and Regular Board Meetings