

**REPORT OF THE CHAIR'S COMMITTEE**

2021 March 2  
12:02 p.m. – 1:33 p.m.

**MEMBERS**

B. McKinnon (Chair)    A. Morell  
L. Pizzolato              M. Ruddock  
C. Rahman

**ADMINISTRATION AND OTHERS**

M. Fisher                      B. Williams  
N. Keller (+12:15, -12:40)    M. Dhaliwal (+12:15, -12:40)  
S. Builder (+12:15, -12:40)

The Chair's Committee met virtually using the TEAMS platform.

**1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

The agenda was approved by motion.

**2. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST – none declared****3. REVIEW UPCOMING BOARD MEETING AGENDAS**

The Committee of the Whole, In-Camera and public Board meeting agendas for 2021 March 9 were reviewed and discussed. The list of upcoming reports to be presented at future Board meetings also was provided and will be reviewed again at the next meeting.

**4. STUDENT TRUSTEES ON THE BOARD – STUDENT INPUT**

Student Trustees M. Dhaliwal and N. Keller and Superintendent S. Builder joined the meeting.

Trustee Keller and Trustee Dhaliwal provided feedback on the length of the Student Trustee term and the distribution of Student Trustees in consideration of the current review of the Student Trustees on the Board policy and procedure.

Written input was provided to the Chair's Committee from Student Trustees and from a survey of Student Advisory Council members.

In response to a question, S. Builder confirmed the Student Advisory Council procedure also is currently under review.

The review of the Student Trustees on the Board policy and procedure returns to the Chair's Committee at the next meeting.

**5. MOTION TRACKING SHEET**

There was a suggestion there be a process for reviewing previous motions. It was agreed to bring the discussion back to the next meeting.

**6. TRUSTEE FORUMS**

Trustee Pizzolato shared the feedback received from 6 Trustees regarding Trustee Forums. Potential meeting dates in May were identified.

Discussion considered the timing of Forums in consideration of the desire to have in-person meetings and to ensure meetings did not conflict with attendance area review meetings planned for the spring.

Trustee Pizzolato was asked to poll Trustees regarding their preferred scheduling (i.e., spring or fall) and in-person vs. virtual/phone. It was agreed to set up a Thought Exchange to survey Trustees about topics for the Forums. Director Fisher offered to connect Trustee Pizzolato with Communication.

**7. STRATEGIC PLAN**

Discussion considered the process for moving forward the strategic planning process.

The following recommendations were moved and carried:

**That an Ad Hoc Strategic Planning Committee be formed and report back to the Board by 2021 September 28.**

**That the Ad Hoc Strategic Planning Committee make recommendations to the Board regarding the process for developing the 2022 strategic plan; and that the work also include the vision, values, and commitments to support the strategic plan.**

In response to a question, it was noted the Ad Hoc Committee may submit an interim report as needed.

Noting the current strategic plan has an end date of January 2022, Chair McKinnon advised he is consulting with the Deputy Minister to determine the potential for an extension, if one is required. It was suggested an extension would require a Board motion.

Discussion considered the potential for reviewing the current strategic plan in preparation for the new 2022 strategic planning process noting the review of the current plan could be instrumental in advancing the 2022 strategic planning process.

There was a suggestion Catherine McCullough, who led the previous strategic planning process, could be brought back to complete her work with the Board in this area.

The following recommendation was moved and carried:

**That Catherine McCullough be invited back to review the current strategic plan noting the review could be instrumental in advancing the 2022 strategic planning process.**

It was noted that if C. McCullough was not available in a reasonable time frame discussion regarding next steps would be brought back to the Chair's Committee.

## **8. OPSBA**

### **a. Policy Resolutions and Constitution and By-Law Amendments for the 2021 Annual General Meeting**

Information on the process by which Boards may submit policy resolutions or actions to OPSBA was provided to the Committee. Any proposed resolutions must be approved by Board motion and address issues that have provincial implications.

### **b. De-streaming Grade 9**

A slide deck presented by the Ministry of Education to an OPSBA working committee on de-streaming of Grade 9 was shared with the Chair's Committee. Discussion considered how Trustees may be engaged to respond to any future requests for input on the matter. The Director suggested a request by Trustees of Senior Team to provide a report on de-streaming may be helpful.

## **9. UPCOMING EVENTS/INITIATIVES**

Student Trustee elections are scheduled for April 21 and April 22, 2021; the student leadership conference tentatively is scheduled for April 23, 2021.

The third session of the Indigenous Professional Development series is yet to be scheduled.

Additional PD sessions for Trustees will be discussed at the next meeting.

## **10. TRUSTEES' PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT REQUESTS (STANDING ITEM) - none**

## **11. OTHER BUSINESS - none**

## **12. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting is scheduled for 2021 March 16, 12 p.m.

## **13. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 1:33 p.m. by motion.

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**BILL MCKINNON  
CHAIR**