

Board Meeting Minutes - 9:00 am March 4, 2021

VISION - Westwind School Division will be a collaborative community of engaged learners that inspire all students to realize their full and complete potential

MISSION - The mission of Westwind School Division is to foster engaging and student-centred learning environments that will inspire each student to strive for personal excellence and allow all learners to thrive.

VALUES - Our values guide our behaviour, structure our operations and shape our Division strategies. For every decision we make, we will hold ourselves accountable to these values and ask:

- Is this what is best for our students?
- Will this help us build trust and improve relationships?
- How will this decision further education, inform practice and enhance learning?

TERRITORIAL LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT - We respectfully acknowledge that this event is taking place on the traditional territory of the Blackfoot Confederacy in Southern Alberta

1. Called to Order - The meeting was called to order at 9:15 am by Board Chair Mr. Jim Ralph.

Trustees Present

Mr. Ross Blackmer
Mr. Josh Smith
Mr. Jim Ralph
Mr. Doug Smith
Ms. Peggy Blackmore
Mr. Rod Wendorff
Ms. Jessica Payne
Ms. Patricia Beazer

Others Present

Mr. Darren Mazutinec - Superintendent of Schools
Mr. Peter Wright - Secretary-Treasurer
Mr. Austin Nunn - Assistant Superintendent
Ms. Pam Boyson - Executive Assistant
Ms. Rebecca Bultsma - Communications Officer

2. Prayer - The prayer was offered by Mr. Austin Nunn.
3. Approval of Agenda

Motion 2021-14 Moved by Mr. Rod Wendorff to approve the March 4, 2021 Board Meeting Agenda as presented.

Those who voted in favor:

Mr. Jim Ralph
Mr. Doug Smith
Ms. Patricia Beazer
Mr. Josh Smith
Mr. Ross Blackmer
Ms. Peggy Blackmore
Ms. Jessica Payne
Mr. Rod Wendorff

There were no votes against this motion
Motion carried.

4. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes
 - a. February 10, 2021 Board Meeting Minutes

Motion 2021-15 Moved by Mr. Ross Blackmer to approve the February 10, 2021 Board Meeting Minutes as presented.

Those who voted in favor:

Mr. Jim Ralph
Mr. Doug Smith
Ms. Patricia Beazer
Mr. Josh Smith
Mr. Ross Blackmer
Ms. Peggy Blackmore
Ms. Jessica Payne
Mr. Rod Wendorff

There were no votes against this motion
Motion carried.

5. Public input, 3 minutes per person to a max of 15 minutes
6. Action List

<p>Mar 17 - ASBA General Meeting Mar 24 - COW Mtg, 1 pm Mar 25-26 - Bd Planning Session Apr 1 - Bd Mtg Apr 2 - Good Friday</p>	<p>Apr 5-9 - Easter Break Apr 21 ASBA Exec Mtg Apr 23-25 ASCA Annual Conference Apr 29 - Bd Mtg</p>
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7. Reports

- a. Superintendent Report
 - i. Month in Review
- b. Secretary-Treasurer
 - i. Month in Review
- c. Assistant Superintendent, Austin Nunn
 - i. Month in Review
- d. Communications Report
 - i. Report

8. Committees

- a. Management Committee
- b. Student Engagement Committee
 - i. Central Office Administrators are meeting with student councils over lunch to gather data and have conversations from the student's point of view. Mr. Nunn will share dates with Trustees.
- c. Board ATA Liaison Committee
- d. ASBA Zone 6
 - i. Zone 6 General Meeting - March 17, 2021
- e. Policies & Procedures
 - i. Board Policy 16 - Recruitment & Selection of Personnel
 - Board Policy 16
 - Board Policy 17

Motion 2021-16 Moved by Mr. Ross Blackmer to approve Board Policy 17 with the changes as presented.

Those who voted in favor:

Mr. Jim Ralph

Mr. Doug Smith

Ms. Patricia Beazer

Mr. Josh Smith

Mr. Ross Blackmer

Ms. Peggy Blackmore

Ms. Jessica Payne

Mr. Rod Wendorff

There were no votes against this motion

Motion carried.

9. Discussion & Information Items

a. Barret Swendsen Presentation

- i. Mr. Swendsen is wanting to start a Steel Pan Ensemble at CJHS/CHS. This will increase the number of students involved with making music within the school, expose our students and community to a different culture's music and help them grow appreciation. He has applied for some grants, and would like additional financial support from the Board. The Board will discuss the request and reply back to Mr. Swendsen.

b. Town of Raymond Presentation

- i. Representatives from the Town of Raymond shared a presentation with the Board, asking for support in using Westwind school property in their Drive In Movie and Concert Series.

c. Director of Operations & Maintenance- Brad Sommerfeldt

- i. Director of Operations and Maintenance, Mr. Brad Sommerfeldt reviewed with the Board some of the challenges and changes that have happened in this department since the start of the school year. Mr. Sommerfeldt praised the O&M Department for their hard work and their ability to react in a timely manner to the modifications and adjustments needing to be made this year.

d. Committee of the Whole Meeting March 24, Board Planning Session March 25, 26, Board Meeting April 1.

- i. The March 24, 2021 Committee of the Whole meeting will be cancelled.
- ii. The Board Planning Session will be held at Central Office March 25 and 26, 2021.

- e. Summer School information/discussion
 - i. Mr. Robert Doig shared Summer School information he is gathering.
- f. Alberta Education/AHS restriction update
- g. 2021/2022 Calendar

Motion 2021-16 Moved by Ms. Jessica Payne to accept the Westwind School Division 2021/2022 school year calendar as presented.

Those who voted in favor:

Mr. Jim Ralph
Mr. Doug Smith
Ms. Patricia Beazer
Mr. Josh Smith
Mr. Ross Blackmer
Ms. Peggy Blackmore
Ms. Jessica Payne
Mr. Rod Wendorff

There were no votes against this motion

Motion carried.

Motion 2021-17 Moved by Mr. Josh Smith to go in camera at 12:00 pm.

Those who voted in favor:

Mr. Jim Ralph
Mr. Doug Smith
Ms. Patricia Beazer
Mr. Josh Smith
Mr. Ross Blackmer
Ms. Peggy Blackmore
Ms. Jessica Payne
Mr. Rod Wendorff

There were no votes against this motion

Motion carried.

In Camera

Motion 2021-18 Moved by Ms. Peggy Blackmore to come out of in camera at 1:20 pm.

Those who voted in favor:

Mr. Jim Ralph
Mr. Doug Smith
Ms. Patricia Beazer
Mr. Josh Smith
Mr. Ross Blackmer
Ms. Peggy Blackmore
Ms. Jessica Payne
Mr. Rod Wendorff

There were no votes against this motion
Motion carried.

Motion 2021-19 Moved by Ms. Jessica Payne that after reviewing the historical data on the number of viewers of Westwind School Division recorded board meetings, and due to the lack of public interest in said meetings, and taking into consideration the time and division resources required to record School board meetings and make them available to the public, I move that from today moving forward that Westwind School Division no longer records their board meetings by video. In order to maintain transparency, the board continues to welcome the public to attend monthly board meetings, and will continue to make Westwind School Division board meeting minutes readily available on the Westwind School Division website.

A friendly amendment made by Ms. Patricia Beazer requested that the motion be tabled until the next Board Meeting.

Those who voted in favor:

Mr. Doug Smith
Ms. Patricia Beazer
Mr. Ross Blackmer
Ms. Peggy Blackmore

Those who voted against the friendly amendment:

Mr. Jim Ralph
Ms. Jessica Payne
Mr. Josh Smith
Mr. Rod Wendorff

Friendly amendment defeated

Those who voted in favor Motion 2021-19

Mr. Jim Ralph
Mr. Doug Smith
Mr. Josh Smith

Mr. Ross Blackmer
Ms. Jessica Payne
Mr. Rod Wendorff

Those who voted against the motion
Patricia Beazer
Peggy Blackmore

Motion carried.

ACTION ITEM - In light of Motion 2021-19, Board Policy 7 Board Operations will need to be reviewed. This item will be added to the April 1, 2021 Board Meeting Agenda.

ACTION ITEM - Rebecca will generate a report showing the data of how many times the Board Meeting Videos have been viewed.

10. Public input, 3 minutes per person to a max of 15 minutes

Next Board Meeting - April 1, 2021

Motion 2021- 20 Moved by Mr. Rod Wendorff to adjourn the meeting at 2:55 pm.

Those who voted in favor:

Mr. Jim Ralph
Mr. Doug Smith
Ms. Patricia Beazer
Mr. Josh Smith
Mr. Ross Blackmer
Ms. Peggy Blackmore
Ms. Jessica Payne
Mr. Rod Wendorff

There were no votes against this motion
Motion carried.

Mr. Grant Hunter and Mr. Joseph Schow both joined the meeting for a discussion with the Board regarding current issues and challenges facing students and staff in Westwind.

