

Board Meeting MINUTES Oct 22, 2021: 1:00 p.m.

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-centered 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 by Board Chair, Mr. Jim Ralph at 1:00 pm.

Trustees Present

Ms. Anna-Joyce Frank
Mr. Colin Paterson
Mr. Doug Smith
Ms. Jessica Payne
Mr. Jim Ralph
Mr. Josh Smith
Mr. Rod Wendorff
Mr. Ross Blackmer
Ms. Tami Tolley

Others Present

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

2. Prayer The prayer was offered by Mr. Doug Smith.
3. Approval of Agenda

Motion 2021- 77 Moved by Mr. Josh Smith to approve the agenda as presented.

Those who voted in favor:

Ms. Anna-Joyce Frank
Mr. Colin Paterson
Mr. Doug Smith
Ms. Jessica Payne
Mr. Jim Ralph
Mr. Josh Smith
Mr. Rod Wendorff
Mr. Ross Blackmer
Ms. Tami Tolley

There were no votes against this motion
Motion carried.

4. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes
 - o September 23, 2021 Board Meeting Minutes

Motion 2021- 78 Moved by Mr. Ross Blackmer to approve the September 23, 2021 as amended.

Those who voted in favor:

Ms. Anna-Joyce Frank
Mr. Colin Paterson
Mr. Doug Smith
Ms. Jessica Payne
Mr. Jim Ralph
Mr. Josh Smith
Mr. Rod Wendorff
Mr. Ross Blackmer
Ms. Tami Tolley

There were no votes against this motion
Motion carried.

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

- The Chair of the Westwind Alternate School Parent Council zoomed into the meeting, and shared the view of several parents in relation to a possible COVID 19 vaccine mandate policy in Westwind School Division.

6. Action List

Nov 14-16 ASBA FGM Nov 30 - Minister's Meeting, COW Meeting, Board Meeting	Dec 8 - Bd Mtg Dec 13 - Christmas Hampers
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7. Discussion & Information Items

- a. Attendance at ASBA FGM November 14-16, 2021 Edmonton
- b. New Curriculum Feedback
 - Assistant Superintendent, Mr. Rob Doig gave a presentation on where Westwind School Division is at with the new curriculum introduced by Alberta Education. We have reviewed the timeline of the curriculum review process that Westwind teachers went through last year. Westwind currently has 21 teachers piloting a portion of the new curriculum, all 21 are piloting Language Arts, and 5 of the 21 are also piloting Math and/or Science.
 - Board Chair, Jim Ralph recently attended a meeting in regards to the new curriculum. He informed the Board that there are 300 teachers in the province piloting new curriculum this year.

ACTION ITEM The Board asked that a general update on the new curriculum be posted on the Westwind Website.

ACTION ITEM - The Board Chair will write a letter to the Education Minister stating the Board's position, that the overall new curriculum process is moving too fast. Westwind wants to make an informed decision.

- c. Out-of-province tournament request
 - [RHS request](#)
 - The Board discussed Raymond High School's request for the girls basketball team to attend a tournament in Utah, December 16-18, 2021.

ACTION ITEM - Mr. Wright will check on any restrictions with ARMIC insurance, and report back to the Board at the next Board Meeting.

- d. COVID vaccine mandate discussion
 - Backgrounder

Motion 2021- 79 Moved by Mr. Ross Blackmer to go in camera at 2:05 pm.

Those who voted in favor:

Ms. Anna-Joyce Frank
Mr. Colin Paterson
Mr. Doug Smith
Ms. Jessica Payne
Mr. Jim Ralph
Mr. Josh Smith
Mr. Rod Wendorff
Mr. Ross Blackmer
Ms. Tami Tolley

There were no votes against this motion
Motion carried.

8. In Camera

Motion 2021- 80 Moved by Mr. Rod Wendorff to come out of in-camera at 3:23 pm.

Those who voted in favor:

Ms. Anna-Joyce Frank
Mr. Colin Paterson
Mr. Doug Smith
Ms. Jessica Payne
Mr. Jim Ralph
Mr. Josh Smith
Mr. Rod Wendorff
Mr. Ross Blackmer
Ms. Tami Tolley

There were no votes against this motion
Motion carried.

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

Motion 2021- 81 Moved by Ms. Tami Tolley to adjourn the meeting at 3:24 pm.

Those who voted in favor:

Ms. Anna-Joyce Frank

Mr. Colin Paterson
Mr. Doug Smith
Ms. Jessica Payne
Mr. Jim Ralph
Mr. Josh Smith
Mr. Rod Wendorff
Mr. Ross Blackmer
Ms. Tami Tolley

There were no votes against this motion
Motion carried.

Next Board Meeting Nov 18, 2021

