

RENFREW COUNTY DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING HELD ON OCTOBER 29, 2024

at 4:00 PM

Chairperson S. Humphries in the Chair.

TRUSTEES Present: L. Boland; D. Dobson; K. Dougherty; M. Guenette; D. Kaiser; J. Primeau; K. Rajamani; C. Ruddy; G. Ding (Student Trustee)

TRUSTEES Absent (With Regret): S. Dougherty (Student Trustee)

STAFF: K. Niemi; J. Barnes; J. Poirier; J. Smith; C. Kronwald; S. Nichol; S. McIntyre; C. Bunn

STAFF

Absent (With Regret):

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson S. Humphries called the meeting to order.

2. TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Trustee M. Guenette read the Territorial Acknowledgement.

3. INVOCATION

The invocation was read by Trustee D. Kaiser.

4. ATTENDANCE

Attendance for today's meeting was recorded.

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED by M. GUENETTE seconded by D. Dobson that the Renfrew County District School Board approves the agenda for today's meeting.

The motion was CARRIED.

6. DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Chairperson S. Humphries asked for declarations of conflict. None were forthcoming.

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOVED L. BOLAND seconded by K. Dougherty that the Renfrew County District School Board confirms the minutes of the September 24, 2024 Board Meeting.

The motion was CARRIED.

8. PRESENTATION – INDIGENOUS EDUCATION: THE IMPACT OF RELATIONSHIPS

Superintendent C. Kronwald introduced Melanie Bertrand, K-12 Instructional Coach for Indigenous Education who shared the [Indigenous Education: The Impact of Relationships](#).

9. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director of Education K. Niemi presented her Director's Monthly [Report](#).

10. **STAFF REPORTS TO THE BOARD – OPEN SESSION**

Board Action Plan for Indigenous Education

Superintendent C. Kronwald and Principal of Indigenous Education T. Nelson presented a [report](#) and the Board Action Plan for Indigenous Education.

Adult & Continuing Education Update

Superintendent S. Nichol presented a [report](#) on the RCDSB Adult and Continuing Education Cyclical Review.

Education Quality and Accountability Office (EQAO) Report 2023-2024

Program Superintendents J. Smith, C. Kronwald and S. Nichol presented a [report](#) on EQAO for 2023-24.

Transportation Update

J. Barnes, Superintendent of Corporate Services, provided an [update](#) on Transportation.

12. **STAFF REPORTS TO THE BOARD – CLOSED SESSION**

A motion to move into Closed Session was moved by K. RAJAMANI seconded by L. Boland.

The motion was CARRIED.

A motion to move out of Closed Session was MOVED by K. RAJAMANI seconded by J. Primeau.

The motion was CARRIED.

11. **COMMITTEE REPORTS TO THE BOARD**

Special Education Advisory Committee

Trustee K. Rajamani presented the Open Session Report of the Special Education Advisory Committee meeting held on [September 25](#), 2024.

MOVED by K. RAJAMANI, seconded by M. Guenette that the Renfrew County District School Board receives the Report of the Special Education Advisory Committee meeting held on September 25, 2024.

Trustee M. Guenette presented the Open Session Report of the Special Education Advisory Committee meeting held on [October 23](#), 2024.

MOVED by M. GUENETTE, seconded by D. Dobson that the Renfrew County District School Board receives the Report of the Special Education Advisory Committee meeting held on October 23, 2024.

The motion was CARRIED.

Program & Student Achievement Committee

Trustee M. Guenette presented the Open Session [Report](#) of the Program & Student Achievement Committee meeting held on October 8, 2024.

MOVED by M. GUENETTE, seconded by K. Rajamani that the Renfrew County District School Board receives the Open Session Report of the Program & Student Achievement Committee meeting held on October 8, 2024.

The motion was CARRIED.

Equity & Inclusion Committee

Trustee C. Ruddy presented the Open Session [Report](#) of the Equity & Inclusion Committee meeting held on October 8, 2024.

MOVED BY C. RUDDY seconded by M. Guenette that the Renfrew County District School Board receives the Open Session Report of the Equity and Inclusion Committee meeting held on October 8, 2024.

The motion was CARRIED.

Finance & Resources Committee

Vice-Chair L Boland presented the Open Session [Report](#) of the Finance and Resources Committee meeting held on October 8, 2024.

MOVED by L. BOLAND, seconded by K. Dougherty that the Renfrew County District School Board receives the Open Session Report of the Finance and Resources Committee meeting held on October 8, 2024.

The motion was CARRIED.

Indigenous Education Advisory Committee

The Indigenous Education Advisory Committee meeting had been postponed. There is no report to the Board.

Parent Involvement Committee

This report was tabled to the next meeting.

12. UPDATES

OPSBA: Trustee K. Rajamani presented the [OPSBA Report](#).

Chair: Chairperson S. Humphries presented her [Chair's Report](#).

Student Trustees: Student Trustee G. Ding presented the [Student Trustees Report](#).

13. CORRESPONDENCE

None to report.

14. OTHER BUSINESS

None to report.

15. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY S. HUMPHRIES seconded by L. Boland that the Renfrew County District School Board meeting of October 29, 2024 be adjourned. Time: 6:51 PM

The motion was CARRIED.