

SUZUKI CHARTER SCHOOL SOCIETY  
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Learning Commons

Thursday September 12, 2019

6:00 P.M.

Present: Boris Vidal, Treena Gish, Frank Doruiter, Tara Beland, Ehsanul Haque,  
Eric Taub, Nicole Palmer, Jen Garrison and James Garrison.

Administration: Lynne Paradis and Heather Christison

1. Call to order at 6:03 p.m. by Chair Vidal

2. Approval of agenda.

**Motion 19:30** Moved by Jen Garrison that the Board approve the agenda as circulated.

**APPROVED**

3. Approval of the minutes from the June 21, 2019 Board meeting.

**Motion 19:31** Moved by Jen Garrison that the Board approve the minutes from the June 21, 2019 board meeting as circulated.

**APPROVED**

4. Reports

- Board Chair – Chair Vidal received confirmation from the Minister of Education office that the September 9, 2019 letter sent to Minister LaGrange from Chair Vidal has been received.  
Casino is October 10 & 11, 2019. Chair Vidal and Director Gish are working together to organize the casino.
- Superintendent – see attached
- Secretary Treasurer – see attached

**Motion 19:32:** Moved by Frank Doruiter that the Board accepts the Board Chair, Superintendent and Secretary Treasurer reports as presented.

**APPROVED**

5. The Association of Alberta Public Charter School (TAAPCS).

Dr. Paradis provided the board with recent changes with TAAPCS and informed the board of the AGM on October 26, 2019 in Calgary. Once the agenda and hotel information are received from TAAPCS, board members will be provided the information and will have an opportunity to attend the AGM if they desire.

6. Junior High Transition Plan.



Dr. Paradis provided the board with the changes in the grade six program which began in September in preparation for the addition of grade seven beginning September 2020.

7. In Camera

**Motion 19:34 -Moved by Tara Beland that the board move in camera.**

**Time 7:27 pm**

**APPROVED**

**Motion 19:35- Moved by Ehsanul Haque that the board move back into a public meeting.**

**Time 7:34 p.m.**

**APPROVED**

8. Staffing for 2019-2020.

At the June 21, 2019 board meeting, the board delegated to the Superintendent, to fill any personnel vacancies for the 2019 -2020 year. The Superintendent provided the board the outcomes of the directive.

**Motion 19:36 Moved by Ehsanul Haque the board approve the hiring of candidate #1 for the school support position for the 2019-2020 year as recommended by the Superintendent.**

**APPROVED**

9. SCSS Board Professional Development Plan (PDP) for 2019-2020.

Vice Chair Palmer led a discussion with the board to determine the board's professional development priorities for the 2019-2020 year. Attached is a proposed PDP for the 2019-2020 year.

**Motion 19:34 Moved by Jen Garrison that the board approves the PDP for the 2019 – 2020 as presented.**

**APPROVED**

10. Education Plan.

The Annual Education Plan and Results Report (AERR) must be submitted to Alberta Education by November 30, 2019. Dr. Paradis confirmed with the board that board goals and priorities for the 2019-2022 Education Plan are as follows:

- Update Junior High expansion plan to reflect current realities
- Review data and determine scheduling of future the Kindergarten program for 2020-2021
- Review strategic plan and explore strategic plan possibilities



- Advocate to government for equity funding for charter schools in the areas of inclusive education and any emergent programs made available to publicly funded schools in Alberta

11. Appointment of Board Committees chairs and members for the 2019- 2020 year.

Appointment of board committee members and chairs to the board committees are:

**Committees of the Board**

- Finance – Frank Doruiter (Chair), Treena Gish and Boris Vidal
- Casino – Treena Gish (Chair) Boris Vidal, Eric Taub and James Garrison
- Bursary – Jen Garrison (Chair), Ehsanul Haque, Tara Beland
- Policy and bylaw review – Nicole Palmer (Chair), Frank Doruiter and James Garrison
- Human Resources Committee – Boris Vidal (Chair) and Nicole Palmer
- Staff Recognition – Tara Beland (Chair) Eric Taub and Ehsanul Haque
- The Association of Alberta Public Charter School SCSS Rep\_– (not listed in the SCSS

Board Policy Manual as a committee however, the board may want to appoint a SCSS rep.) Jen Garrison and Ehsanul Haque have volunteered to represent SCSS for TAAPCS

**Motion 19:35 Moved by Eric Taub the board appoints the chairs and members of the committees of the board as listed above for the 2019-2020 year.**

**APPROVED**

12. The board discussed the reviewed the Board Meeting Code of Conduct and agrees with the documents. See attached.

13. Educational Research Project.

Superintendent Paradis provided an update on the research project. See attached newsletter

14. Board Work Plan.

The board discussed the draft 2019-2020 board workplan and made some additions to the plan. These changes will be added to the plan and a revised workplan will be circulated by the Secretary Treasurer in the next few days.

15. Correspondence - attached

16. Adjournment at 8:10 p.m.

Approved October 24, 2019

Signature of Chair Boris Vidal



Signature of Secretary Treasurer Heather Christison

