

SUZUKI CHARTER SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Thursday January 12, 2023

Present: Treena Gish, Melissa Rothwell, Christine Garcia, Tara Beland, Susanna So, Eric Taub, Jenelle Clark, Kimberly Poong
Administration: Lynne Paradis, Heather Christison

At Suzuki Charter School we acknowledge that we are on Treaty No. 6 territory, a traditional meeting grounds, gathering place, and travelling route to the Cree, Saulteaux, Blackfoot, Métis, Dene and Nakota Sioux. We acknowledge all the many First Nations, Métis, and Inuit whose footsteps have marked these lands for centuries. We also wish to honor the Elders, Knowledge Keepers and traditionalists who have gone before us and those who continue to walk with us today.

1. Call to order at 6:02 p.m. by Vice Chair Treena Gish.
2. Approval of agenda.

Motion: 23-01: Moved by Tara Beland that the Board approve the agenda as circulated.
APPROVED

3. Approval of the minutes from the November 24, 2022, Board meeting.

Motion: 23:02: Moved by Susanna So with the following amendments that the Board approve the minutes from the November 24, 2022, with the following amendments;
Remove Susanna So from the role call,

Item 19- Remove Finance Committee Chair So and insert Vice Chair Gish

Item 20 – Remove Board Chair and insert Governance Committee Chair Rothwell

APPROVED

4. Reports

- Board Chair – no report
- Superintendent – In addition the attached written report, the Superintendent provided the board with the following information:
Heather on contract, Board Chair is unable to attend this evenings meeting or the February 9, 2023 board meeting. Vice Chair Gish will be chairing the next two meetings.
- Secretary Treasurer – No report

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Motion: 23:03: Moved by Kimberly Poong that the Board accepts the Superintendent report as presented.

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5. The Association of Alberta Public Charter Schools. (TAAPCS)
The Superintendent shared most recent developments including a response shared with the President of TAAPCS regarding the updates sent to the Board and Superintendents. Plans for the proposed AGM for January have not been confirmed.

6. Executive Search for Secretary Treasurer
The Board Chair will provide a progress report on the search process (job advertisement enclosed). Heather Christison, former secretary treasurer is providing interim support as a consultant until a replacement is found. The Board extend best wishes to Judith Mbeleke following her resignation from the secretary treasurer position effective Dec. 30, 2022.

Motion: 23:03 Moved by Jenelle Clark that Nicole Palmer, Susanna So and Treena Gish will be members of the search committee.

APPROVED

7. Strategic Planning
The Superintendent will lead the Board in a discussion of potential driving questions to include in the strategic planning process. This information will help inform the strategic planning committee on development of a survey for stakeholders and scheduled focus sessions.

Motion 23:04 Kim moved for the Strategic Planning agenda item be delayed to another month.

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8. Dates for upcoming Board Meetings

February 9, 2023

March 9, 2023

9. Board Work Plan

10. Correspondence.

11. Comments from parents, staff and public.

12. In camera (Land, Labor, Legal/Law) – Moved by Susanna So to move in camera 6:50 pm

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MOVED BY MOVE INTO PUBLIC MEETING 7:10 PM

Handwritten signatures:
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13. Adjournment at 7:10 p.m.

Approved by Board Motion on February 9th, 2023.

Signature of Treena Gish SCSS Board Vice Chair: *Treena Gish*

Signature of Acting Secretary Treasurer: *[Signature]*