

**Minutes of
Connect Charter School Society, Board of Directors Meeting
September 11, 2018, at Connect Charter School**

Board members present: *Dave Robinson (C), Denise Kitagawa (PC), Jennifer Hittel, Ron Koper, Mangesh Kumthekar, Christy Newson (via teleconference), Dr. Kevin O'Connor, Gavin Peat, Mackenzie Regent (via teleconference), Hyacinth Schaeffer and Linda Trinh.*

Board members absent: *Joni Carroll and Michelle Rousseau*

Staff present: *Chris Gilmour (Superintendent), Dr. Phil Butterfield (Principal via teleconference), Dr. Chris Hooper (Vice-Principal) and Myra Penberthy (Secretary Treasurer).*

Guest: *Ms. Dana Braunberger*

5:00 p.m. - Dr. Chris Hooper took the Board on a tour of the Reflection Grove, which was built with fundraised money on the Connect School playground, to commemorate members of the school community who have passed away.

Board Chair Mr. Dave Robinson declared a quorum and called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Mr. Dave Robinson asked the Directors if there were any conflicts of interest. None were declared.

Motion 1.18 by Dr. Kevin O'Connor,
THAT the September 11, 2018, Board meeting agenda be approved.
Carried

Motion 2.18 by Ron Koper,
THAT the June 12, 2018, and June 29, 2018 Board of Directors meeting minutes be approved.
Carried

A heartfelt welcome, and congratulations for a great school start up, was given to Connect Charter School's, new superintendent, Mr. Chris Gilmour, from the Board of Directors.

Mr. Chris Gilmour presented the reflections on the 2017/18 Connect Charter School Year and Connect Charter School Action Plan for the 2018/19 School Year.

Mr. Gilmour also presented the Superintendent Action Plan for 2018/19.

The Board was very appreciative of the great effort of Mr. Gilmour, who had just started the school year and was already presenting stellar work.

Policy 6.08 Student Conduct was reviewed by the Board. Procedures to align with Alberta Education guidelines were incorporated. The policy is posted on our webpage, keeping us compliant with directions. It was recommended that Policy 6.08 go back to the School Operations committee to be reviewed and come back to the Board with recommendations. Policy 6.05 Admissions will also be going to the School Operations committee for review.

Motion 3.18 Hyacinth Shaeffer,
THAT the Board approves the 2019/20 Connect Charter School Calendar.
Carried

Motion 4.18 Gavin Peat,
THAT the Board accepts the resignation of Director, Ms. Susan Boughs with regret.
Carried

Motion 5.18 Denise Kitagawa,
THAT the Board accepts the resignation of Director, Mr. Roman Lohin with regret.
Carried

Motion 6.18 Dr. Kevin O'Connor,
THAT the Board appoints Mr. Ron Koper to the position of Vice Chair, until the
November 27, 2018 Annual General Meeting.
Carried

Motion 7.18 Christy Newson,
THAT the Board approves the Board meeting dates of 2018: Dec 11 (Board
appreciation dinner), 2019: Jan 15, Jan 25/26 (Board advance), Feb 12, Mar 21, Apr 23,
May 14, June 18, Sept 10, Oct 8, Nov 26, Dec 10.
Carried

The Board, led by a transportation committee presentation by Mr. Ron Koper, engaged in a comprehensive discussion about the possibility of purchasing a bus with the fundraised money. The committee was directed to proceed with the analysis and to create an implementation plan to be presented for approval at the next board meeting. Director questions and suggestions for the implementation plan are to be directed to Ron Koper by September 15, 2018.

The motion "THAT the Board approves the purchase of a bus with the designated EXPO transportation fundraised money" is tabled and will be brought back to the Board for a decision, at a future date.

The Health, Safety, Environment and Security adhoc committee will be disbanded effective immediately. An OH&S report will be provided to the board, as needed, in leadership reports moving forward.

Board Committee reports and Leadership team reports were presented.

The meeting terminated at 8:00 pm.

Dave Robinson, Board Chair