

**Alberta School Boards Association – Zone 5
MINUTES
Friday, November 4, 2016**

In Attendance:

Amber Stewart	CBE
Sherri Nielsen	Golden Hills School Division
Serafino Scarpino	RCSSD
Anne-Marie Boucher	Conseil Franco Sud
Pamela King	CBE/ASBA
Marsha Tkach	Prairie Land Regional
Heather Tkachuk	ASBA
Bev LaPeare	Rocky View Schools
Colleen Munro	Rocky View Schools
Fiona Gilbert	Rocky View Schools
Mark Chung	Christ the Redeemer
Arlene Rheaume	CRPS
Mary Martin	ASBA
Beverley Barca	Alberta Education
Leta Youck-McGowan	Alberta Education
Julie Hrdlicka	CBE
Ron Schreiber	Christ the Redeemer
Lisa Wine	Recording Secretary

Absent:

Joanne Van Donzel	Christ the Redeemer
Jeannine Tucker	Foothills

Call to Order:

Amber Stewart called the meeting to order at 9:33 a.m.

Introductions:

Amber Stewart conducted introductions with the meeting attendees.

Approval of Agenda:

Ron Schreiber motioned that the Agenda for the November 4, 2016 meeting be approved.

Carried

Approval of the Minutes:

Serafino Scarpino motioned that the minutes of the October 7, 2016 meeting be approved.

Carried

Action Items from the Minutes:

Indigenous Representative - this is a continuous conversation with a long term strategy to ensure proper and thoughtful movement. Await ASBA protocol and taskforce work.

Discussion around creating a committee for this was had and Colleen, Julie, Serafino, Amber and Jeannine to further discuss.

Correspondence:

None

Chair Report:

Please keep RSVP'ing to our meetings. It helps with organization of the meeting.

Amber has been working on our Pecha Kucha presentation for the FGM. It has a screen shot representing each board; our mission, vision and values; professional development; our Stampede social; Edwin Parr and looking forward for our Zone.

At our December board meeting we will be having turkey dinner again. We discussed and agreed on doing a food drive for the Stoney Nakota food bank. Colleen to contact the food bank and advise what items are needed.

REPORTS

ASBA Zone Director's Report - Anne-Marie Boucher

- ASBA Board of Director's highlights were sent out and copies were available at the meeting. Also attached to these minutes.
- The theme for the FGM is Strong Together. Please register and indicate if you will be attending Scott's farewell. There were a lot of applicants for the Executive Director position with a great short list of candidates, it was a tough decisions and the new Executive Director is Suzanne Polkosnik.

ASBA Executive or Staff – Mary Martin

- Mary Martin provided a verbal report of ongoing work within ASBA. A written report is attached to these minutes.

Alberta Education Report –Beverley Barca & Leta Young-McGowan

- Director's Report was not available prior to or at the meeting. Beverley and Leta offered an open discussion. Strong feedback from the table to Alberta Education. The Director's reports are a very important tool for communication to boards. It was suggested that the message being sent is Alberta Education is hiding something by not providing a report
- Curriculum redesign 1st round survey feedback; questions lead to certain answers and there is no comments section please ask for the second round to allow for answers with authentic feedback. Is Alberta Education working with post secondary to ensure children have the level of requirements needed? Yes there is the parent survey and teacher groups.
- What is the future of the Education Act? Parents are asking why is there more consultation with this new government? How much is the additional consultation costing just because it is a new government? The Act will impact about 700,000 students. Beverley to bring back timelines.

- When will boards be informed of the Inclusive Education Policy Framework? Beverley to bring back timelines.

Break – 11:04-11:15

11:20-12:35 World Café – Envisioning our Future

Groups formed and worked together with facilitation from Jim Beaubien and Karen Caesar.

Lunch – 12:35-1:00

Networking – Collen Munro, Serafino Scarpino, Jeannine Tucker
Nothing to report.

Edwin Parr – Mark Chung, Judy Hehr, Serafino Scarpino, Cheryl Low (alternate)
Mark and Serafino met to have preliminary discussion about the future in terms of celebrating the teachers at Edwin Parr. It is suggested that we add a Friends of Education Award to the event. Pamela will be alternate for Judy Hehr.

Field Experiences Policy Advisory – Vacant

Joanne Van Donzel self-nominated. There were no other nominations. Arlene Rheaume motioned to appoint Joanne.

Carried

Labour Relations – Vacant

Amber provided a TEBA update. Please have your TEBA representative look for upcoming communications from TEBA BOD.

Regional Consortium – Fiona Gilbert

Next meeting is November 30th, Fiona will provide an update at December board meeting.

Health Promoting School Collaborative – Fiona Gilbert

Meeting last week with Provincial Regional Team. Uof A presentation – a Nutrition Report Card. Presentation was sent out after the meeting and will be attached to these minutes. Zone 6 Grasslands will be submitting an emergent issue at FGM regarding mental health.

Second Language Caucus – Serafino Scarpino

No report submitted. Serafino to do presentation on the Second Language Caucus

No In-Camera Required

Work Plan Items

2016-2017 Budget – Presentation and approval. Approval to defer to next meeting as Amber is awaiting additional information from the treasurer.

1:15 – 1:42 Presentaion Second Language Caucus

Serafino provided a powerpoint presentation with question and answer throughout. The presentation was sent out after the meeting and is attached to these minutes.

Adjournment

Meeting Adjourned at 1:42

Future Meeting Dates

December 2, January 6, February 3, March 3, April 7, May 5

Important Dates:

November 20-22: Fall AGM

June 4-6: Spring AGM