

Governance and Policy Committee Minutes January 15, 2024

Members present: S. Binder, K. Kramp, S. Lewis (v), R. Prinzen (v), R. Speck (v)

Absent: A. Shah

Student Trustee:

Resources: K. MacIver, K. Donnell

Minutes: D. Lucas, Executive Assistant

1. Call to Order

Chair Binder called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

- 2. Motion to Convene into a closed Governance and Policy Committee meeting not required.
- 3. Reconvene to Public Governance and Policy Committee meeting not required.

4. Acknowledgement of Traditional Lands

Trustee Kramp offered the Land Acknowledgement.

5. Roll Call

Chair Binder requested a roll call of committee members, all members present.

6. Approval of agenda

Moved: S. Lewis Seconded: K. Kramp

That the agenda for January 15, 2024, be approved.

Carried

7. Declaration of Conflict of Interest - none declared.

8. Approval of minutes

Trustee Prinzen requested that the minutes from December 4, 2023, be amended. Amendment to remove the following two items from the December 11, 2023, draft agenda:

- recommendation for Policy XX: Board Communications, and
- recommendation for Revised HPEDSB By-Laws.

Moved: S. Lewis Seconded: R. Speck

That the minutes from the December 4, 2023, meeting be approved as amended.

Carried

9. Delegations - none

10. Report from Staff

(a) First review Draft Policy XX: Indemnification

Director MacIver noted that this is the first review for this draft policy. Legal Counsel has reviewed this draft policy with minimal revisions required. Director MacIver noted that this draft policy will be posted on our website for public consultation. Public feedback and a final review will come forward to the February 20, 2024, Governance and Policy Committee with a

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recommendation to approve at the February 26, 2024 Regular Public Board meeting once approved by the Governance and Policy Committee.

(b) Recommendation – By-law Revisions for Notice of Motion

Director MacIver noted at the December 4, 2023, Governance and Policy Committee meeting further revisions to the By-laws were required. Draft language regarding Section 5.28: Notice of Motion was circulated to Trustees to be considered at the January 15, 2024, Governance and Policy Committee. Review of the draft language resulted in further revisions with final revisions noted below:

5.28: Notice of Motion

- 5.28.1 A Member may request that a Notice of Motion be included in the Agenda for a Board or Standing Committee meeting as advance notification of a matter to be considered at a subsequent meeting.
- 5.28.2 A Notice of Motion must first will be submitted:
 - a) in writing with a seconder to the Governance and Policy Review Committee within timelines prescribed by the Director of Education a minimum of 3 working days prior to the meeting for inclusion in the Agenda: or
 - b) verbally at a regular board meeting or Standing Committee meeting. This notice will require a seconder at the meeting.
- 5.28.3 A Notice of Motion must be in writing and have a seconder.
- 5.28.43 A Notice of Motion submitted in accordance with Section 5.28.1 will not be debated at the same meeting at which it is introduced.
- 5.28.54 The Notice of Motion will be considered at the subsequent regular Board Meeting or Standing Committee meeting where it was introduced as determined by the Governance and Policy Committee; and may be
 - (a) debated;
 - (b) may be referred by the Governance and Policy Committee or by the Board to a more appropriate Committee; or
 - (c) may be referred to the Director of Education or Designate for consideration or follow-up.

If approved a recommendation to the Board will go forward to the January 22, 2024, Regular Public Board Meeting.

Recommendation:

Mover: K. Kramp Seconder: R. Prinzen

That the Governance and Policy Committee recommends the Hastings and Prince Edward District School Board approve the amended revisions to the HPEDSB By-Laws effective January 23, 2024.

Carried

(c) Professional Learning Sessions – 2023-2024

Director MacIver noted that a survey was sent out to all Trustees on December 12, 2023, requesting their feedback and ideas for professional learning sessions. A list of suggested ideas was shared with the Governance and Policy Committee to review. Director MacIver suggested that many of the topics could be addressed through a Trustee Retreat, tentatively scheduled for February 15th and 16th, 2024 at Huff Estates in Bloomfield. The retreat would begin at 11:00 a.m. on February 15th with a tour of Eastside Secondary School regular and specialized programming, followed by an overnight stay at Huff Estates with an active day of professional learning on February 16th. Director MacIver noted that she would connect with Marion Thomson-Howell to facilitate a workshop for Trustees.

(d) Draft Agenda

- (i) Public Board Meeting January 22, 2024, highlights:
 - Presentation: School-Within-A-College (SWAC),
 - Recommendation By-law Revisions for Notice of Motion,
 - Recommendation Multi-Year Annual Accessibility Plan,
 - Reports from staff:
 - Kindergarten Promotion
 - Destreaming Update
 - Learning Opportunities Update: SHSM/OYAP/SCWI
 - Staffing and Recruitment
- 11. Trustee Motions for Considerations nil
- **12. Trustee Notices of Motion –** nil
- 13. Correspondence nil
- **14. Adjournment -** the meeting adjourned at 5:04 p.m.