

MINUTES

Board of Trustees Regular Public Meeting Sept 28, 2021 5:30 p.m.

<u>Trustees:</u> Julia Alleyne, Kevin Collins, Arnie Hochman, Helen Huang, Barry Pervin, Nicole

Thomson, Rick Volpe

Stewart Wong

Staff: Michael O'Keefe, Supervisory Office; Sarah Nauman, Principal; Robin White,

Vice- Principal; Terry Jakobsmeier

Holland Bloorview Kids

Rehabilitation Hospital:

Guests: Regrets:

Recorder: Karen Arevalo

Presiding: Nicole Thomson, Chair

Location: ZOOM

1. CALL TO ORDER

A. Hochman called the meeting to order at 5:36 PM

Presentation – School Activities relating to Equity – Sarah Nauman, Robin White

S. Nauman and R. White shared an overview of what the school staff have been doing regarding Indigenous Learning and the engagement of students and staff with the Truth and Reconciliation Week and integrating Indigenous related activities in the classrooms. A partnership has been established with Elder Dr Robert Phillips.

M O'Keefe and A Hochman and board Members congratulated Sarah and Robin for all the work being done.

2. REVIEW AND APPROVAL

2.1 Approval of the Agenda for the Regular Public Meeting of Sept 28, 2021

MOTION: Approved by Consensus

THAT the Agenda for the Regular Public Meeting of Sept 28, 2021 be approved with the changes suggested.

-MOTION CARRIED-

2.2 Approval of the Minutes for the Board of Trustees Regular Public Meeting of June 15, 2021.

MOTION: Alleyne/ Collins

THAT the Minutes for the Board of Trustee Regular Public Meeting of June 15, 2021 be approved as presented.

-MOTION CARRIED-

2.3 Approval of the Minutes for the Board of Trustees Special Public Meeting of Sept 9, 2021.

MOTION: Pervin/Huang

THAT the Minutes for the Board of Trustee Special Public Meeting of September 9, 2021 be approved as presented.

-MOTION CARRIED-

- 3. TRUSTEE DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST none
- 4. **DELEGATIONS None**

5. UPDATES

5.1 HOLLAND BLOORVIEW (S. Wong)

- S. Wong shared with the Hospital Vaccination Status. Mandatory Vaccination Policy is now in place. 94% of hospital staff are now fully vaccinated.
- S. Wong informed the board members of the progress of the major expansion project at the hospital. The Playground and MRI installation are complete. The renovation and expansion are now underway
- S. Wong shared that October 17-20 is Accreditation time for the hospital. Accreditation is a voluntary quality improvement process that Holland Bloorview participates in to help us identify what we are doing well and where we need to focus our improvement efforts. It takes place every four years.

Accreditation provides us with an opportunity to:

- Continually improve the quality and safety of our care by aligning our work and processes with national standards and best practices
- Celebrate the excellent care that is provided to clients and families at Holland Bloorview

5.2 PRINCIPAL'S REPORT (S. Nauman)

S. Nauman shared with the Board Members that BSA had a smooth beginning to school. We were delighted to be able to welcome IET families in person for family visits during the first week of school. Families came by appointment and were greeted outside by staff who took first day of school pictures for everyone. Inside, families and students had a tour, the option for a COVID test and a chance to meet with their child's classroom team. In response to parent feedback from last year, we also offered the option to consent to their contact information being shared in a family directory.

- S. Nauman informed members of the Board that BSA staff have worked jointly with the hospital to unify our screening tool so that it is consistent for families coming into the hospital for appointments, and coming to school. This will also allow us to soon begin to allow inpatient parents to help with drop off and pick up from school which was a practice prior to the pandemic. This will allow our school to feel more welcoming for our inpatient families as well as relieve pressure on staffing during these times of the day.
- S. Nauman informed members of the board that we currently have 98% of all of our staff and volunteers fully vaccinated. Those that are not have received one dose and have appointments for the second dose.
- S. Nauman shared that last year, our students advocated to have a more inclusive representation of children and youth of all abilities on the Terry Fox website. This advocacy project led the Terry Fox Foundation to commit to becoming more inclusive by making sure students with disabilities are represented in their materials. Thanks to the engagement of many of our students, we sent more than 200 pictures to the Terry Fox Foundation. We are happy to see some of these pictures in their video, on their website and posters. We can proudly say that Bloorview students succeeded in raising awareness for an equitable representation of people with disabilities. Have a look to see some familiar faces:
- S. Nauman shared with the members that we had a Celebrity visit this week, Pascal Siakam of the Toronto Raptors.

5.3 SUPERVISORY OFFICER'S REPORT (M. O'Keefe)

- M. O'Keefe shared with the Board Members questions have been raised as to whether Sept 30th will be a school holiday this year or in the future. For this year, the school year calendar has already been approved and there is no desire to revise it at this point in time. It is also felt that recognition and reconciliation can best be emphasized as far as students are concerned by having them attend school where special events and presentations will be arranged (rather than have a holiday). This does not, in any way, suggest that efforts to focus on the important issues relating to Truth and Reconciliation will only be a topic of consideration on one day but will be a focus of attention at various times and in various ways throughout the year.
- M. O'Keefe asked that members of the board who have not submitted their attestation of vaccination to please submit as soon as possible
- M. O'Keefe shared with the Board Members that the bursary recipients have been notified. All are willing to participate in a ZOOM ceremony which could be taped and uploaded to the website or Twitter etc.

6. **ACTION/INFORMATION ITEMS**

6.1 Committee reports/matters

(1) Policy Committee – Board Report regarding Policies reviewed

K. Collins shared that the Policy Committee had a discussion in regards on the PCE policies and aside from some minor editing all were accepted by the committee.

(2) Governance and Nomination Committee- Verbal report

A. Hochman shared that at the meeting on Sep 19, 2021, items discussed included:

- 1. Electronic meetings
- 2. Board Meeting evaluations to be discussed at board
- (3) Finance and Audit Committee No report
- (4) Bursary Committee No report

6.2 Items for Discussion – no additional items

7. TRUSTEE ENQUIRIES

Time of Board Meetings

It seems that the 5:30 pm is not working for all. H. Huang suggested that the virtual meetings time be adjusted. After some discussion a new Board meeting time of 6:00 pm was accepted

8. ITEMS OF INTEREST

a) Action After Board (June 2021)

Two outstanding items to be discussed in camera

b) Retreat

The retreat is planned for November 6, 2021 in the afternoon

9. CORRESPONDENCE- None

10. IN CAMERA

- The In-Camera Meeting was called to order at 6:41 PM
- The Board returned from In-Camera at 6:51 PM
- 11. PENDING ITEMS none
- 12. MOTIONS/ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD FROM IN-CAMERA No motions brought forward from In-camera
- 13. NEXT MEETING December 7, 2021

14. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Collins/Huang

THAT the Public Meeting be adjourned at 7:00 PM

-MOTION CARRIED