



## MINUTES

Board of Trustees Regular Public Meeting

February 23, 2021 5:30 p.m.

**Trustees:** Julia Alleyne, Kevin Collins, Arnie Hochman, Helen Huang, Barry Pervin, Nicole Thomson, Rick Volpe

**Staff:** Michael O’Keefe, Supervisory Office; Sarah Nauman, Principal; Robin White, Vice- Principal; Terry Jakobsmeier

**Holland Bloorview Kids Rehabilitation Hospital:** Stewart Wong

**Guests:**

**Regrets:**

**Recorder:** Karen Arevalo

**Presiding:** Nicole Thomson, Chair

**Location:** Zoom

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

N. Thomson called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM

### 2. REVIEW AND APPROVAL

#### 2.1 Approval of the Agenda for the Regular Public Meeting of February 23, 2021

**MOTION: Collins/Pervin**

**THAT** the Agenda for the Regular Public Meeting of February 23, 2021 be approved as presented.

**-MOTION CARRIED-**

#### 2.2 Approval of the Minutes for the Board of Trustees Regular Public Meeting of December 8, 2020

**MOTION: Hochman/Alleyne**

**THAT** the Minutes for the Board of Trustee Regular Regular Public Meeting of December 8, 2020 be approved as presented.

**-MOTION CARRIED-**

### 2.3 Approval of the Minutes for the Board of Trustees Organizational Meeting of December 8, 2020

**MOTION: Alleyne/ Pervin**

**THAT** the Minutes for the Board of Trustee of Trustees Organizational of December 8, 2020 be approved as presented

**-MOTION CARRIED-**

**3. TRUSTEE DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST - None**

**4. DELEGATIONS - None**

**5. UPDATES -** M. O’Keefe Introduced Karen Arevalo as the new recorder (Also in charge of Human Resources at the School, taking over for Nadine’s leave for a one-year contract)

#### **5.1 HOLLAND BLOORVIEW (S. Wong)**

S. Wong shared that Hospital staff vaccinations began New Year’s Eve. 44% of HBKRH staff have now been vaccinated. HBKRH has also opened a testing clinic for current clients.

S. Wong informed the Board of trustees about the construction of the Research Centre, renovations undergoing, and working on the expansion. They are making sure to not be disruptive with the renovations.

Discussion ensued.

#### **5.2 PRINCIPAL’S REPORT (S. Nauman)**

S. Nauman informed the members of the Board Bloorview School has been back in-person since January 11<sup>th</sup> winter break. When we first returned in the New Year, we noticed a higher reticence among parents to have their children return in person. Currently, we have 12 Students remotely and 56 in person.

BSA has been very fortunate to have had the opportunity to be included as part of Holland Bloorview Kids Rehab in **the vaccine rollout**. During this stage of the rollout, **81 staff members** were offered vaccines (includes supply staff who work regularly) 75 have both doses 93% acceptance of the vaccine by staff. This is the only school in the province that can say that have been fully vaccinated. The screening tool has changed and for the first time, our screening is more stringent than that of the hospital. Signs put up around the school indicate that inpatients’ parents will no longer be allowed to come in into the school.

BSA has had 6 students test positive and 1 staff member on the IET side but there have not been any incidents of in-school transmission. Inpatient cases are captured through hospital reporting. Our COVID numbers are posted on our website and there is a link to the Holland Bloorview case count on their website.

M. O’Keefe had sent information regarding Indigenous Cultural Competencies training, and for trustees interested in getting the training, Principal will share the dates of the 3 hrs. Session.

There is a preference for BSA being strictly “in person” for September 2021. Concerns were raised by Trustees regarding ways to accommodate virtual learning.

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

Emphasis was given to the great work and outstanding efforts that Principal and VP and whole staff have dealing with issues and ever-changing realities during the pandemic period. They have, over and over, shown great foresight, adaptability and resilience!!

The Ministry has not yet approved our 2020 -2021 budget submission.

M. O'Keefe expressed appreciation to S. Wong and the Hospital for adding BSA staff to the Vaccination Roll out.

The Ministry has allowed an extension to school year calendar approval process.

## **6. ACTION/INFORMATION ITEMS**

### **6.1 Committee reports/matters**

#### **(1) Policy Committee - Board Report**

K. Collins presented the report to the Board of Trustees.

#### **MOTIONS: Alleyne/Volpe**

**That** the Board approve the revised policy HR 009 – Pandemic

**That** the Board approve the revised policy PCE 003 – Equity and Inclusive Education

**That** the Board approve the revised policy SHSM 011 – Identification and Management of Acute and Early Concussions

**That** the Board approve the revised procedure ST #1 – Student Discipline

**That** the Board approve the revised procedure HS # 1 – Abuse and Neglect

#### **MOTIONS: Pervin/Volpe**

**That** the Board approve the deletion of Procedure ST #2 – Registration of In- Patients.

#### **MOTIONS: Alleyne/Pervin**

**That** the Board approve the minor changes to Policies and Procedures as outlined in the accompanying chart.

**-MOTION CARRIED-**

**(2) Governance and Nomination Committee: Updated on the report**

**Terms of Reference included in report 6.1 (5a)** - Will be discussed under Committee Terms of Reference.

**-MOTION CARRIED-**

**(3) Finance and Audit Committee – Helen Huang**

- **Statement of Financial Position** – received
- **Statement of Operations** – received

**Terms of Reference included in report 6.1 (5c)** - Will be discuss under Committee Terms of Reference

**-MOTION CARRIED-**

**(4) Bursary Committee-**

**• Board Report:**

N. Thomson, shared with the Board of Trustees that both the Whipper Billy Watson and the Bloorview School Authority Bursary funding sources are not adequate to cover the traditional level of award for the bursaries.

Thomson advised the Board of Trustees that there had been a fulsome discussion at the committee meeting regarding the long-term sustainability of Bursary funding. The committee recommended to draw from the reserves maximum amount of \$5700 to cover the bursaries for 2021.

Trustees shared several possible strategies to enhance the sustainability of the bursary program such as:

- Lowering the amount of the bursary awards
- Increasing fund raising efforts
- Limiting the number of bursaries
- Engaging in a partnership with another organization (e.g. Hospital, Easter Seals)

**MOTION: Alleyne/ Collins**

**That** the Board approve the allocation of funds from the Board’s reserves (up to a maximum of \$5700), so that the normal amount of Bursary funding will be available for the 2021 year.

**-MOTION CARRIED-**

**(5) Committee Terms of Reference**

- **Board Report**

**MOTION: Volpe/Collins**

**That** the Board approve the Terms and Conditions of the Governance and Nominating Committee.

**That** the Board approve the Terms and Conditions of the Policy Committee.

**That** the Board approve the Terms and Conditions of the Finance and Audit Committee.

**That** the Board approve the Terms and Conditions of the Bursary Committee.

**-MOTIONS CARRIED-**

**7. TRUSTEE ENQUIRIES - none**

**8. ITEMS OF INTEREST**

**a) Action After Board (Dec 8, 2020)**

One outstanding item to be discussed in camera

**b) Retreat-** Trustees were coordinating the retreat to be virtually in the spring, to be half day, and not held during a board meeting day, preferably on a weekend, afternoon.

Trustee discussed the topics to discuss at the retreat: Fiduciary duty, Standard Care, and Human Rights

Trustees to decide if they will discuss all in the same day: Diversity/ Equity/Inclusion, Roles and responsibilities

**c) Trustee Professional Development session ( B. Pervin)**

OPSBA Symposium (to view material/videos go to opsba.org.....Events and Publications....Public Education Symposium)

B. Pervin, shared that this Professional Development Event was on Anti- Black and Anti Indigenous racism.

**9. CORRESPONDENCE- None**

**10. IN CAMERA**

- The In-Camera Meeting was called to order at 8:00 PM
- The Board resolved to In-Camera at 8:30 PM
- The Board returned from In-Camera at 8:35 PM

**11. PENDING ITEMS - none**

**12. NEXT MEETING - April 20, 2021**

**13. MOTIONS/ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD FROM IN-CAMERA - none**

**14. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION: Volpe/Pervin**

**THAT** the Public Meeting be adjourned at 8: **36 PM**

**-MOTION CARRIED-**