



Mother Earth's Children's Charter School

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
held via Zoom Cloud Meeting
September 14, 2020

PRESENT: Dale Friedel, Chair (via Zoom Cloud Meeting)
Cindy Paul, Trustee (via Zoom Cloud Meeting)
Terry Regamey, Trustee (via Zoom Cloud Meeting)

ALSO PRESENT: Ed Wittchen, Superintendent (via Zoom Cloud Meeting)
Erin Danforth, Principal (via Zoom Cloud Meeting)
Anita LeMoignan (via Zoom Cloud Meeting)

ABSENT: Wendy Cunningham, Trustee
Emil Durocher, Trustee

GUESTS: Richard Bird (via Zoom Cloud Meeting)

Chair Friedel called the meeting to order at 6:10 pm

AGENDA APPROVAL

#876-20/21 "To approve the agenda as amended."
3.1 Re entry plan

PAUL

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

#877-20/21 "To approve the minutes of the June 15, 2020 Board Meeting
as circulated."

REGAMEY

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

SUMMER MAINTENANCE

ST LeMoignan - Dale has performed the normal summer duties and has all furnaces and boilers inspected. We installed new vinyl plank flooring in 3 classrooms, replacing the existing carpet as per COVID-19 requirements. As per other safety requirements we brought in dumpsters and removed a multitude of equipment and furniture from the school. There were several power outages over the summer, but fortunately no damage was done. The coolers and freezers are a big concern after power outages, but they powered through.

SCHOOL START-UP UPDATES

Superintendent Wittchen - We currently have 51 students registered, 12 of which are going to participate in online learning. We will be sending home laptops to those families this week and we have purchased 30 Chromebooks that will assist students in working with Google Suite and online learning.

Last year's bus driver opted not to return this year but, after a few anxious days, we were fortunate to secure a former driver. Students are being socially distanced on the bus in family cohorts. Temperatures are being taken when they arrive at school.

The Kitchen Assistant we hired was offered employment at Paul Band, but another young lady applied and was hired. This person will assist in the kitchen, assist the custodian with sanitizing and will also do morning supervision.

RE-ENTRY PLAN

Superintendent Wittchen - Alberta Education supplied us with two masks for students and staff, hand sanitizer, sanitizing cleaners and two digital thermometers.

Staff and students are sanitizing and wearing masks and social distancing. Markers have been placed on the floors in the lunchroom and some hallway locations.

CHANGES AT ALBERTA LEARNING

Superintendent Wittchen - We have a new Alberta Education Liaison. Our new Liaison is Trish Randolph Beaver. She has contacted Ed and is planning to visit soon.

ADM Mike Walters has been promoted within the Alberta Government. His replacement is Gloria Iatridis. Gene Williams has retired from Finance.

LEASE SUPPORT APPROVAL

Superintendent Wittchen - We have received notification from Alberta Education that we will receive \$350,000 lease support for the 2020-2021 year. Once again, it is only an annual commitment.

Chair Friedel adjourned the meeting at 6:45 pm.

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CHAIR

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SECRETARY-TREASURER