



Governing Board Meeting Minutes February 18th 6:00pm - 7:00 pm (via Zoom Video Conferencing)

Present: Abeeha Hassan, Dahlia Tanasoiu, Alison McDonald Goulais, Matthew McIntyre, Leslie Fumerton, Keri George, Andrea Gage, Amanda DeGrace, Heather Beresford, Eric Advokaat, Jen Olson - **Not Present: Lucas Brown,, Jessica Takacs**

1: Approval of Sexuality Curriculum - Presented by Andrea

- Letter will go out to the parents outlining the curriculum and the dates it will be shared with the kids.
- Teachers will encourage the parents to talk to their kids about it as well as have an open dialogue.
- We try to incorporate realistic diversity.

Motion to Approve by Amanda, Second by Eric - All in favour.

2: Request for Input: Criteria for School Principal - Presented by Keri - March 8th is the deadline

- As referenced in the attached memo attached, the WQSB is consulting with school governing boards to identify criteria for school principals for the 2021-2022 school year.
- The WQSB already has pre-established and standardized criteria for school principals that includes essential qualifications related to education, experience, abilities, and competencies. While a standard job poster wasn't shared for our review/comment,
- Role as GB members is to identify both essential and asset qualifications specific to our school/community requirements.
- The current realities of the pandemic as well as the likely transition to service centres also illuminate the need to identify additional qualifications.
- For reference, Keri attached a couple examples of criteria from years in the past from two years ago.
- French is an asset and is something that is important to Chelsea Elementary.
- Jen suggested: Someone that's familiar with the tribe is something that is important
- Amanda suggested: to tighten the student body component.
- Indigenous reconciliation is nowhere in the document and that is something that should be clearly mentioned and we need to also add the diversity/culture perspective within the documents.
- Leslie suggested: Anti bullying and violence prevention should be mentioned and added.
- Jennifer suggested adding bilingualism (English/French) is a must, Amanda, Keri and Abeeha echoed.
- Dahlia added that it is fairly important to imagine not being able to communicate with kids or families that are not comfortable speaking the other language.
- Amanda suggested adding emphasis on technology/integration of technology.
- Keri will be noting down this list and circulating it.

Keri motioned: To take the document from 2015-2016 and adapt it based on tonight's discussion. - Second by Eric and All if favour.

3: Adjourn

Motion to adjourn the meeting:

Motion by: Keri / Second by Eric – All in favor

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Not Present: Lucas Brown, Jen Olson, Jessica Takacs