

2021 ACSTA AGM (VIRTUAL/ZOOM)

Saturday, November 13, 2021

Alberta Catholic School Trustees' Association Annual General Meeting

Minutes

Meeting begins	The Zoom meeting opened to attendees at 8:00am.
President's Welcome	ACSTA President Serena Shaw provided the welcome address.
Opening Liturgy	Bishop William McGrattan led the Liturgy of the Word.
ACSTA 2021 Awards Update	ACSTA President Serena Shaw provided an update regarding the 2021 awards process (these will be presented at a later date).
Land Acknowledgment	ACSTA President Serena Shaw read the Land Acknowledgment: "We acknowledge that the Treaty territories, on which we stand, are the ancestral lands of the Indigenous peoples, and are common homes to everyone in virtue of God, the Creator's, gracious gift."
General Address	The Hon. Adriana LaGrange, Minister of Education, provided the General Address.
Call to Order	The business portion of the meeting was called to order by President Serena Shaw, serving as Chairperson of the AGM, at 9:22am.
Appointment of Parliamentarian	MOVED by Trustee Dawn Miller THAT Becky Kallal is appointed as Parliamentarian for the Annual General Meeting. CARRIED

Conducting AGM in Virtual Format	<p>MOVED by Trustee Sue Ross THAT the members of the Association do hereby ratify and affirm the Board of Director’s decision to proceed with the 2021 Fall General Meeting as a virtual meeting in response to the COVID-19 crisis.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>
Approval of Rules of Procedure	<p>Parliamentarian Becky Kallal drew attention to an error in the Rules of Procedure. She asked that the words “plus one” from section 1.2.1 (‘Regular or Ordinary Resolutions’) be removed; a simple majority is 50%; not 50%+1.</p> <p>MOVED by Trustee Danielle Larson THAT the Rules of Procedure as emailed be accepted.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>
Approval of the Agenda	<p>MOVED by Trustee Genevieve Poulin THAT the Agenda be accepted as emailed.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>
Adoption of 2020 ACSTA AGM Minutes	<p>MOVED by Trustee Dean Sarnecki THAT the 2020 ACSTA AGM Minutes be accepted as emailed.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>
Report on Previous AGM Resolutions Requiring Action	<p>President Serena Shaw reiterated that there were no resolutions requiring action in 2020, as pursuant to the previously emailed ‘Report on Previous AGM Resolutions Requiring Action’.</p>
President’s Report Solicitor/Client Motion	<p>MOVED by Cathie Landmead THAT this portion of the Annual General Meeting be convened under the protection of solicitor/client privilege at the direction of legal counsel, for the primary purpose of asking for and receiving advice in anticipation of litigation and asking for and receiving advice during the progress of an action.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>
<i>In-Camera</i> Motion	<p>MOVED by Trustee Rene Trembley THAT the meeting move <i>in-camera</i>, and furthermore that in addition to all member school board trustees, the following will remain in the room during the discussion: ACSTA staff, Bishops, Council of Catholic School Superintendents of Alberta, and the Parliamentarian.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>

Out of In-Camera Motion	<p>MOVED by Trustee Vince MacDonald (Lakeland) THAT the meeting moved out of in-camera.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>
President's Report	The President's report as emailed was provided as information pursuant to the agenda.
Executive Director's Report	The Executive Director's report as emailed was provided as information pursuant to the agenda.
CCSTA Report	The CCSTA report as emailed is provided as information pursuant to the agenda.
Nomination Committee Report I	<p>Nominations Committee Chair Cathie Langmead presented the Nominations Committee slate of nominees for the role of President:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Kim Pasula (nominated by Steve Daigle and seconded by Donna Tugwood) 2. Harry Salm (nominated by Cathie Williams and seconded by Ted Paszek) <p>Nominations Committee Chair Cathie Langmead presented the Nominations Committee slate of nominees for the role of Vice-President:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Kelly Whelan (nominated by Jean Boisvert and Sylvianne Maisonneuve) <p>A second call received no further nominations from the floor for the roles of President and Vice-President.</p> <p>Nominations Committee Chair Cathie Langmead indicated that the third call for the positions of President and Vice-President will take place after the lunch break.</p>
Auditor's Report	Vice-President Cheryl Low presented the 2020 Auditor's Report.
Resolutions	Resolutions Chair Michael Ouellette referred to the previously accepted Rules of Procedure to review the three possible means of reaching a decision, and reminded delegates of the Majority requirements for both regular resolutions and special resolutions.
Scrutineer Committee	<p>MOVED by Trustee Dawn Miller THAT the Scrutineer Committee be comprised of the following: Michael Hauptman and Brendan Cavanagh.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>

<p>Resolution 1</p>	<p>Vice President Cheryl Low presented the Proposed 2022 Operating Budget as emailed.</p> <p>MOVED by Trustee Lory Iovenelli THAT the proposed 2022 ACSTA operating budget in the amount of \$863,703 be approved; further, that the related membership assessment be \$9.15 for each of the first 1,000 students, \$4.59 for each student thereafter, and \$2.46 for each home education student.</p> <p>Discussion took place regarding the budget.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">DEFEATED</p>
<p>Lunch</p>	<p>Vice-President Cheryl Low led the Association in saying grace before lunch.</p>
<p>Resolution 1 (continued)</p>	<p>Nominations Committee Chair Cathie Langmead issued the third and final call for nominations from the floor for the role of President.</p> <p>MOVED by Trustee Sue Ross THAT the nominations for President be ceased.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p> <p>MOVED by Trustee Mary Martin THAT the membership allow the Board of Directors to proceed with a temporary operating budget of \$883,620 (\$969,000 less \$186,380), and which includes the proposed student fees of \$9.15 for the first 1000 students, \$4.59 for each student thereafter, and \$2.46 for home educated student, refer this budget back to the Finance Committee to consider option and to present a new budget on or before March 31, 2022.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>
<p>Resolution 2</p>	<p>MOVED by Trustee Cathie Williams THAT the Board of Directors of the Alberta Catholic School Trustees' Association (ACSTA) direct the creation of a 'Member Portal' on ACSTA's homepage that would allow all members (trustees) to have access to relevant materials including, but not limited to bylaws, policies, agendas, minutes of meetings, and PD materials.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>
<p>Resolution 3</p>	<p>MOVED by Trustee Ted Paszek THAT the Alberta Catholic School Trustees' Association membership review the bylaws of the Association.</p> <p>Discussion took place regarding the resolution</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>

Emergent Resolutions	Resolutions Chair Michael Ouellette opened the floor to emergent resolutions. No emergent resolutions were proposed.
Nomination Committee Report II	<p>Nominations Committee Chair Cathie Langmead invited the candidates for President to provide remarks. Trustee Harry Salm followed by Trustee Kim Pasula provided their remarks, as determined by a draw.</p> <p>Trustee Harry Salm was elected President.</p> <p>Nominations Committee Chair Cathie Langmead issued a final call for nominations and seconders for the position of Vice-President.</p> <p>MOVED by Trustee Danielle Larson THAT nomination for Vice-President cease.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p> <p>Trustee Kelly Whelan was acclaimed Vice-President.</p> <p>Vice-President Whelan provided acceptance remarks.</p> <p>President Salm provided acceptance remarks.</p>
Destroy Ballots	<p>MOVED by Trustee Genevieve Poulin THAT the ballots be destroyed.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>
Memorial	Past President Serena Shaw invited all in attendance to take a moment of silence to honour our colleagues who died in the past year.
Closing Remarks	Past President Serena Shaw provided closing remarks.
Adjournment	<p>MOVED by Trustee Dean Sarnecki THAT the 2020 AGM be adjourned.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>
Closing Prayer	The 2021 AGM Planning Committee led the delegates in a closing prayer .