



Ahkwesāhsne Mohawk Board of Education

Our Mission at AMBE is ...

"Je thi ha hon:nien – We make the road for them."

Our motto encompasses our vision and mandate of providing our children with the highest quality education possible and "building a road for them" that will lead to success.

Minutes

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees

Date: August 26, 2020 **Location:** Zoom - Online **Time:** 6:00pm

1. Calling of the Meeting to Order

6:18pm

2. Ohén:ton Karihwatéhkwen / Opening Address

Donna Lahache

3. Review and Approval of the Agenda

Moved by: Kathleen Papineau

Seconded by: Shealene Gibson

Unanimous

4. Review and Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

4.1 Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees August 12, 2020

4.2 No corrections or additions were requested by Board.

Moved by: Shealene Gibson

Seconded by: Kathleen Papineau

Unanimous

5. Presentations

5.1 *Second reading of Policy 8: Working Together: Responding to Questions and Concerns* – Donna Lahache read the Board of Trustee memo on "Policy 8". There were no questions or concerns pertaining to the Policy. Forms were created and are included in the Policy.

6. Resolutions

6.1 *Policy 8 – Resolution # 2019/2020 – 39*

Donna Lahache read Resolution #2019/2020 – 39 Adoption of Policy 8. There was a second reading of the policy also done at this meeting. The board had no questions or concerns. The policy was moved by: Shealene Gibson and seconded by Josephine Herne. The Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson agreed to stop at the AMBE office to sign.

6.2 Rescindment – Resolution #2019/2020 – 40

Donna Lahache read Resolution #2019/2020 – 40 Rescindment of Policy 706 and Policy 707. No questions or concerns with this. The resolution was moved by: Josephine Herne and seconded by: Kathleen Papineau.

6.3 Donna Lahache read Resolution #2019/2020 – 41 Award Tender for 3 new buses. There were a couple questions brought to the table. It was asked if Leeds takes care of the maintenance on the new buses purchased from them? No, they will honor any warranties and recalls. Maintenance will be done

by JB Enterprise. AMBE does have a contract with JB for maintenance. Is the purchase of these buses due to the increase of buses needed to transport the children due to the covid? No, AMBE usually budgets for 3 buses yearly. There are a couple buses that the maintenance to keep them fit for the road is getting costly due to breaking down because of year and miles. The resolution was moved by: Kathleen Papineau and moved by: Josephine Herne.

7. **Chair Report** – No one from the Board had anything to report on. There were no issues brought to their attention.
8. **Director Report** – Donna Lahache report has been attached. Donna expressed that AMBE is still in the process of trying to get some parents to commit to a plan. Not all parents completed the form. Some think that the survey was their commitment. At what point does a child go to CHN when they are sent home sick? CHN will send information on the process. Jacey has been busy updating the website and FB page with updated information daily on the opening of schools. There was a proposal done for additional funds, we were awarded \$20,000.00. There were interviews done for the open positions. The staff roster is 98% complete, but we may have to move staff according to numbers. Daycare is up to 50% capacity. This will increase at the end of September. Training has been going on for some staff. Assessment training is taking place right now. Finance is drafting a proposal for emergency funds. Post Secondary Manager has notified us that the funding for US students is slow. He is still missing the Financial Aid form for students. He has not yet received and forms for Utica students. This will cause a delay in funding for the US students. Dwight has notified the students of the slow process. Iohahiio is did orientation for first year students today. Because of the pandemic they will not host orientation for second year students. Norma advised that they are ready for the return of students. Transportation has met with the principal at CCVS. They are keeping in touch to update on situation.

9. Business Arising from Previous Meeting:

9.1 Reciprocal Education Agreement Update

The letter was sent to Abram to review and sign. We finally got a response from Romaine Mitchell. We should put a new letter stating not willing to engage with elementary level, but willing at the secondary level. They need to meet with us, or we will not sign agreement. The board members present all agreed with Donna. Donna will send a email requesting a Zoom Meeting before we move forward.

10. Next Meeting Date:

10.1 September 9, 2020 @6pm on Zoom

11. Adjournment

7:20 Mover by: Kathleen Papineau Seconded by: Josephine Herne

12. Ohen:ton Karihwatehkwen / Closing Address

Donna Lahache