

**Minutes of  
Connect Charter School Society, Board of Directors Meeting  
September 10, 2019, at Connect Charter School**

**Board members present:** *Dave Robinson (C), Ron Koper (VC), Dana Braunberger, Kathy Buchanan, Shelley Jahnke, Mangesh Kumthekar, Dr. Kevin O'Connor, Gavin Peat, Mackenzie Regent, Hyacinth Schaeffer and Linda Trinh.*

**Board members absent:** *David McKenzie, Bryce Monar, Christy Newson and Michelle Rousseau.*

**Staff present:** *Chris Gilmour (Superintendent), Dr. Phil Butterfield (Principal) and Myra Penberthy (Secretary treasurer) and Shannon Bennett (Assistant principal).*

Board Chair Mr. Dave Robinson declared a quorum and called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

Mr. Dave Robinson asked the Directors if there were any conflicts of interest. None were declared.

Motion 1.19 by Gavin Peat,

THAT the September 10, 2019, Board meeting agenda be approved.

Carried

Motion 2.19 by Gavin Peat,

THAT the June 18, 2019, Board meeting minutes be approved.

Carried

Mr. Chris Gilmour introduced Ms. Shannon Bennett, Connect Charter School's new Assistant Principal. The Board extended congratulations and a heartfelt welcome to Ms. Bennett.

Mr Dave Robinson, discussed governance, and reviewed the Board meeting organization and priorities.

Mr. Chris Gilmour, reviewed the "Reflections on the 2018-19 school year" report.

Motion 3.19 by Hyacinth Schaeffer,

THAT the Board delegate the authority to administration to enter into employment contracts, covered within our 2019/20 budget, to fill empty positions until the October 8, 2019 Board meeting.

Carried

Mr. Chris Gilmour, gave a summary of the Superintendent Action Plan for 2019-20.

Mr. Chris Gilmour reviewed staffing changes and new contracts for the 2019-20 school year.

Motion 4.19 by Mackenzie Regent,

THAT the Board recognizes the following contracts:

A full time temporary education assistant contract for Ms. Catherine Newton effective August 14, 2019 to November 30, 2019,

A full time temporary teaching contract for Ms. Tarysha Mayerle effective August 14, 2019 to June 30, 2020,

A full time temporary teaching contract for Ms. Andrea Barr effective August 14, 2019 to June 30, 2020,

A full time temporary teaching contract for Ms. Ranee Drader effective August 14, 2019 to November 8, 2019,

A full time assistant principal contract for Ms. Shannon Bennett effective August 31, 2019 to July 31, 2020.

Carried

Motion 5.19 by Gavin Peat,

THAT the Board accepts with regret:

The resignation of Ms. Heidi Swinamer effective July 5, 2019,

The resignation of Mr. Dean Schmeichel effective July 31, 2019,

The resignation of Mr. Christopher Hooper effective July 31, 2019,

The resignation of Ms. Abby Saadeh effective August 20, 2019.

Carried

Motion 6.19 by Ron Koper,

THAT the Board approves the Board meeting dates for 2020: Jan 24/25 Board advance, Feb 11, Mar 10, April 14, May 12, June 16, Sept 8, Oct 20, Nov 24 and Dec 8.

Mr. Ron Koper, Chair of the Board of Governors of the Association of Alberta Public Charter Schools, and Vice-Chair of the Board of Directors of Connect Charter School Society, reviewed the education act and regulations with the Board.

Motion 7.19 by Mackenzie Regent,

THAT the Board moves in-camera.

Carried

Motion 8.19 by Shelley Jahnke,

THAT the Board moves out of in-camera.

Carried

The meeting terminated at 7:25 pm.

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Dave Robinson, Board Chair