



**Canadian School Boards Association**  
**Fall Board Meeting 2014**  
**October 19,20, 2014, Place d'Armes Hotel, Montreal, QC**

Present:

1	Janet Foord*	President, Canadian School Boards Association
2	Valerie McLeod	Managing Director, Canadian School Boards Association
3	Teresa Rezansoff*	President, British Columbia School Trustees Association
4	Stephen Hansen	Executive Director, British Columbia School Trustees Association
5	Helen Clease*	President, Alberta School Boards Association
6	Scott McCormack	Associate Director, Alberta School Boards Association
7	Connie Bailey	President, Saskatchewan School Boards Association
8	Darren McKee	Executive Director, Saskatchewan School Boards Association
9	Michael Barrett*	President, Ontario Public School Boards Association
10	Gail Anderson	Executive Director, Ontario Public School Boards' Association
11	Floyd Martens*	VP, CSBA, President, Manitoba School Boards Association
12	Carolyn Duhamel	Executive Director, Manitoba School Boards Association
13	David D'Aoust*	President, Québec English School Boards Association
14	Marcus Tabachnick	Executive Director, Québec English School Boards Association
15	Susan Ritchie*	President, Nova Scotia School Boards Association
16	Ken Meech	Executive Director, Nova Scotia School Boards Association
17	Goronwy Price	President, Newfoundland Labrador School Boards Association
18	Brian Shortall	Executive Director, Newfoundland Labrador School Boards Association

\*indicates voting member

**GUESTS:**

- From New Brunswick: Tamara Nichol –Chair, District Education Council, Anglophone SD-East and Stacey Brown
- Guests; Ian Hamilton, ED and Laura Butler, from EQUITAS; International Centre for Human Rights Education

**1. Call to order**

Janet Foord, CSBA President called the meeting to order at 8:35am.

**2. Adoption of agenda**

**MOTION:** To adopt the agenda for the meeting, tabling the CASL report until the next meeting  
(Helen Clease, ASBA/Goronwy Price, NLSBA) **CARRIED**

**3. Minutes of the previous board meeting**

**MOTION** to receive the minutes of the previous board of directors meeting (February 16-17, 2014)  
(Floyd Martens, MSBA/Teresa Rezansoff, BCSTA) **CARRIED**

#### 4. President's Report

- a. Meeting in PEI, invited by CMEC, follow up with Ministers Lafferty and Johnson for CMEC meeting
- b. NSBA New Orleans
- c. AFN National Chief, Perry Bellegarde

**MOTION** to receive the President's report

(Helen Cleese, ASBA/Connie Bailey, SSBA) **CARRIED**

#### 5. Managing Director's Report

- a. OECD Education at a Glance now available. PCAP and PISA as well.
- b. Correspondence
- c. Auto Evaluation, some conclusions:
  - CMEC relationship very important to members
  - Growing our membership also a priority
  - Committee work needs to be given priority
  - Stability/sustainability needs to be prioritized with regularly having new faces at meetings
  - We need a "service map" with time lines.

Resolution to have a workshop to review the strategic plan versus resources.

(Teresa Rezansoff, BCSTA/Goronwy Price, NLSBA) **CARRIED**

- d. Transition to Non-Profit Act
- e. Prime Minister's Awards
- f. CEA Facts on Education - Barriers in Education/Facts on Education/Initiative Research
- g. NSBA Executive Retreat
- h. New Board Members

**MOTION** to receive the Managing Directors report

(Goronwy Price, NLSBA/Teresa Rezansoff, BCSTA) **CARRIED**

#### 6. Financial Report (MD)

- a. Financial Statements from August 31, 2014 presented
- b. Reinvestment of GICs  
Resolution to re-invest \$300,000 back into GICS

(Teresa Rezansoff, BCSTA/Susan Ritchie, NSSBA) **CARRIED**

#### 7. Provincial updates

#### 8. Committee meetings

#### 9. Committee reports:

**Student Health and Wellness:** In the event of any meetings with CMEC where Youth Mental Health is discussed, we would ask Dr. Kutcher to attend with us.

**MOTION:** to prepare a CSBA Charter of Commitment to Youth Mental Health, using OPSBA's existing Charter with a view to providing a first draft at next meeting. The charter should address the need for literacy for all in schools and having the necessary resources in the Health Care system to address the problems when identified.

(Teresa Rezansoff, BCSTA/Connie Bailey, SSBA) **CARRIED**

- CSHW will look into the research that was done in Red Deer to design with the experts in order extend the research across Canada to 5 other school boards.
- Potential funding of Stan Kutcher to be considered and discussed with Ted A. for program at CSBA 2015

## **21st Century Learning:**

**MOTION:** that as C21 Chair, Darren McKee be delegated to advocate through the C21 board and CMEC that the issue of bandwidth access for schools and children be evaluated, a baseline standard be established and that an advocacy campaign to ensure that standard is met for all Canadian children.

Goronwy Price, NLSBA/Teresa Rezansoff, BCSTA) **CARRIED**

The committee also intends to discuss issues of branding with C21 which has proven confusing to some.

## **Aboriginal Education**

Issues that are being discussed by the committee and that the National Aboriginal Trustees Gathering brought to light: Terms of reference, Charter of Commitment, Apologies, time-line in every school (as spoken to by Justice Sinclair), Mandatory Treaty, etc.

Scott McCormack will check to see if the ASBA Task Force can do a nationwide poll, via the Provincial offices, to develop a portrait of the Best Practices on the above issues across the country.

We would also like to look into CSBA having a higher profile at the World Congress on Indigenous Peoples - to consider when dates and location are known

**MOTION** that the Martin Aboriginal Education Initiative (MAEI) be made an official partner of the CSBA, in recognition of their programs which have been shown to be successful and are now present in every province across Canada.

(Teresa Rezansoff, BCSTA/David D'Aoust, QESBA) **CARRIED**

10. **MOTION** to change the title of the Managing Director to Executive Director

(Teresa Rezansoff, BCSTA/Helen Clease, ASBA) **CARRIED**

11. **MOTION** to approve moving from the QESBA offices and a new location for the CSBA offices.

(Susan Ritchie, NSSBA/Connie Bailey, SSBA) **CARRIED**

12. **MOTION** to decline the assistance of CEA to work on the cross country given that the CSBA criteria has not been met.

(Teresa Rezansoff, BCSTA/Helen Clease, ASBA) **CARRIED**

## **13. CSBA Annual Congresses (2015 and 2016) and National Trustee Gathering on Aboriginal Education**

Follow up report coming from OPSBA on 2014. MSBA talking to CASSA to do a joint reception at the Human Rights Museum on opening night.

## **14. Adjournment**

**MOTION** to adjourn until the fall meeting of the CSBA board of Directors

(Connie Bailey, SSBA/Teresa Rezansoff, BCSTA) **CARRIED**

Respectfully submitted  
Valerie McLeod, Managing Director, CSBA