



**Canadian School Boards Association
Winter Board of Directors Meeting
February 1/2, 2015, Intercontinental Hotel, Toronto, Ontario**

Present:

1	Janet Foord*	President, Canadian School Boards Association
2	Valerie McLeod	Managing Director, Canadian School Boards Association
3	Teresa Rezanoff*	President, British Columbia School Trustees Association
4	Mike Roberts	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
18	Brian Shortall	Executive Director, Newfoundland Labrador School Boards Association

Regrets: Goronwy Price, Susan Ritchie, Nancy Pynch-Worthylake,
Sunday departure: Helen Clease, Scott McCormack, Michael Barrett, Gail Anderson,

GUESTS:

Stacey Brown, NB; Ian Hamilton, ED, Laura Butler, from EQUITAS; Intl. Ctr. for Human Rights Education

1. Call to order

Janet Foord, CSBA President called the meeting to order at 8:30am.

2. Adoption of agenda

MOTION: To adopt the agenda for the meeting,

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

3. Minutes of the previous board meeting

MOTION to receive the minutes of the previous board of directors meeting (October 2014)

(David D'Aoust, QESBA/Helen Clease, ASBA) **CARRIED**

4. President's Report

- a. JF proposed that each province in rotation, over 12 months (one provincial board per month) submit the name of a trustee or board they would like to see highlighted by CSBA. The temporary committee: (CD/CB/MT) decided that it would require too much from CSBA to be involved in the decision making process or in financial prize, so provincial boards can adopt their own way of deciding who/which board, based on their own award programs.
- b. NSBA Nashville: check in for who will attend and a Canadian event.
- c. CMEC - following discussion, it was suggested that each province connect with their own ministry to lobby for a CSBA/CMEC meeting

- d. **Vice President** also reported on the ASBA fall conference he attended, suggesting that the roles and responsibilities for CSBA be further defined for provincial events as it is an opportunity to raise the profile of the national organization.

MOTION to receive the President's report

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

5. **Managing Director's Report**

CEA latest Facts on Education issue and traffic

Correspondence

Auto Evaluation recap presented

Growing our membership should be a priority in the coming year

Committee work needs to be given priority

Stability/sustainability of the board needs to be prioritized

Transition to Non-Profit Act

Prime Minister's Awards

CEA Facts on Education - Barriers in Education/Facts on Education/Initiative Research

MOTION to receive the Managing Directors report

(David D'Aoust, QESBA/Helen Cleave, ASBA) **CARRIED**

6. **Conclusions from the workshop on resources and direction subsequent to the Auto Evaluation**

- Provinces may have funds in professional development accounts or other relevant accounts that we could use to invest in a group CSBA project of mutual benefit (specific projects or activities that provinces may already have reserved funds(e.g. BCSTA- Trustee development and achievement/ MSBA - Special projects/ASBA - PD or Advocacy/OPSBA - different accounts that might be looked at/ etc.).
- Commissions from the CSBA Annual room block at hotels should be considered a source of revenue for the CSBA and applied in 2017.
- The ED can search out sponsorship.
- For now, the budget going forward will stay as is, be sent to board members for approval.
- Raising fees going forward is NOT an option. Fees for new members will be calculated in the same manner as the 2013 method for all member provinces for the time being.

In 2016 when the 2017-2020 plan is drafted, we will evaluate if we need to present the strategic plan to reflect our mission in a different way. For the moment, the strategic plan remains as is and focus/priorities also remain the same unless additional resources are found, namely Growing membership, ensuring committee work and stability and sustainability of the board, especially for new, incoming members.

7. **Provincial updates (see package)**

8. **Committee meetings**

MOTION to endorse the Taking It Global Online PD for teachers, designing student-directed learning activities using technology and enabling them to meet curriculum goals/school policies and send out the information to the provinces that may want to join.

Teresa Rezansoff, BCSTA/Floyd Martens, MSBA) **CARRIED**

9. CEA Research on Key Priority work in Canada

MOTION to pursue the research offered by CEA to establish a portrait on what work is being done across Canada, but a contract will be drawn up ensuring the deliverables are satisfactory to CSBA.

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

10. Financial Report (MD)

Financial Statements from December 31, 2014 presented - still on line for a balanced budget
Executive Director to put into policy that commissionable rates become the norm for CSBA congress.

Executive Director to find out if there is a policy on bilingualism that can be referenced and made official.

11.) CSBA 2015

Sponsorship and exhibits have been confirmed in the program and solicitation is beginning shortly. The MAEI will receive official "CSBA Partner Status" at the congress following his talk (JF)

MOTION to reverse the July resolution to provide simultaneous translation for key note speakers sessions at the SSBA hosted event due to lack of funds. No research was done regarding financing or grants. JF remarked that she had announced this publicly at the previous CSBA congress so there should be some kind of statement to the contrary now.

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

12. Adjournment

MOTION: (Teresa Rezanoff, BCSTA/Floyd Martens, MSBA) **CARRIED**

Respectfully submitted
Valerie McLeod, Executive Director, CSBA

Resolutions passed by email - February 28, 2015

MOTION that the 2015-2016 attached budget be approved by the board of directors

(Michael Barrett, OPSBA/Goronwy Price, NLSBA) **CARRIED**

MOTION that the CSBA send a letter of support to D.r Tempier of the University of Ottawa, for his request for support in his research comparing services and resources for youth mental health in minority language communities.

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