



2021 Annual General Meeting

Wednesday, December 15, 2021

6:30-7:30 p.m.

Online via Zoom

Participants: Chair Jeff Wilson, Vice-chair Jenny Hill, Director Sam Jin, Director Naren Makwana, Director Amanda Fisher, Director Jehn Scantlebury, Director Sumara Diaz, Director Shahid Qureshi, Director Randall Spahl, Superintendent Roger Nippard, Deputy Superintendent Kurtis Leinweber, CFO Reta Morgan, EA Phoebe Greentree

Attendees: Alejandro Noboa, Alena, Andrew Chu, AR, Crystal Okasha, Edward Gargalian, Elizabeth Bodnar, Gaurav Jain, Gopal, Ida Langston, Jason & Ida Langston, Justin Kool, Ketan, Krista Lee, Kurt, Max Zhang, Nabil, Neeraj Mishra, nn, Sukhvir Kaur, Wendy L, William, Xeniya Danilov, ハヤシ隆.

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1. 6:33 p.m. CALL TO ORDER

2. Land Acknowledgement

3. Approval of Consent Agenda

- 3.1. Determination of Quorum (Quorum attained with 225 ballots received)
- 3.2. Proof of Notice of Meeting - attached
- 3.3. Consideration of Agenda: no changes/additions
- 3.4. Approval of the 2020 FFCA Annual General Meeting Minutes - attached

2021-12-15-1CA Approve Consent Agenda

MOVED by Vice-chair Hill and seconded by Director Makwana to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. CARRIED.

4. Reports of Officers

4.1. Introduction of Board Members

4.2. Board Chairperson's remarks:

- Chair Wilson is grateful to serve as chair of the Board. It's a great honour to help steward this organization along with the rest of the Board's guidance and trust. 2020-2021 was another year in the pandemic. I acknowledge the immense effort of the teachers, staff, administrators, parents, and students for the adaptation and all of their hard work.
- Risk registrar, led by the Audit Committee: forward-thinking within the education community.
- The progress on the NHS Replacement project: all of us can be incredibly proud to have moved the very audacious plan forward. Everyone can hold their heads high!
- SLS funding equity, Weighted Moving Average, Capital Projects, etc., involved many meetings with/between Calgary Caucus, TAAPCS, AB Ministers, and Calgary MLA's.
- Acknowledge my fellow directors around the table, grateful to you all. Directors Diaz and Scantlebury: your input was invaluable; you will be missed!
- I am looking forward to the election results later in the AGM.

- Thank you, Deputy Superintendent Leinweber, for stepping into the Acting Superintendent role for part of the year. I hope it was as valuable to you as to the Board.
- Congratulations to Superintendent Nippard on the progress you have made towards your Ph.D.

4.3. Superintendent's remarks:

- The year 20-21 allowed students the flexibility to be in-class or online. Approximately 20% of our students attended some portion of their year online.
- In the summer of 2020, NHS's roof collapsed, and we had to establish a second high school within a very short time frame. Thank you to CBE for making the DNB building available to us even though they had plans for it, greatly appreciated! Alberta Education provided the additional funds (1.1 million dollars) to retrofit the building and open both high school campuses in August 2020.
- Despite the challenges last year, our results continue to be excellent due to the incredible work done by our staff and our community. The results are less complete due to the optional provincial exams as well as the new Assurance Framework. These new metrics resulted in new baselines without as much comparative data. However, in all of the eight measures collected, we outperformed the province and scored at the highest level of performance - a couple of examples: 91% of students qualified for the Rutherford Scholarship. The three-year graduation rate is the highest it has been at 96.3%. 84% of students entered post-secondary education within four years of entering grade 10. Thank you to the teachers, support staff, administrators, families, and students for your tremendous work in a year that was particularly challenging.
- FFCA has one of the most highly respected CFO/Secretary Treasurers in the province. We have a history of clean audits and received, for the 13th consecutive year, the ASBO International's Meritorious Budget Award. Highest recognition given to school business officials worldwide in terms of budget preparation and presentation. All can be confident that the business and financial side of FFCA is in tremendous shape. CFO Reta Morgan has announced that she will be retiring from her position as CFO; however, she will continue to work with FFCA in the Payroll and Benefits department. Reta, you embody all that FFCA represents in terms of character and leadership. On behalf of FFCA, thank you for your dedicated service in this role, and I wish you the very best!
- Finalization of the replacement NHS design in partnership with Gibbs Gage, Architectural Firm, culminating 7 years of work.
- Risk Management Framework: FFCA is one of the first in education in Alberta to put a comprehensive plan in place. Thank you to the members of the Audit Committee for your guidance.
- Highlight: the work of our Board in the last year (COVID re-entry plan guidance, HS split including a number of calendar approvals and securing additional funding during HS split, SLS funding equity, new Capital Projects, and passing our new Managed Growth Plan) Thank you for your dedicated service!
- Thank you, Deputy Superintendent Kurtis, for filling in while I pursued the final pieces of my Ph.D. and to the Board for approving the leave.

4.4. CFO / Secretary-Treasurer Report

Thank you for the privilege to serve FFCA as the CFO, to Director Diaz, chair of the Audit Committee, for your leadership this past year and Directors Qureshi and Makwana, who also sit on this committee. A complete set of the Audited Financial

documents and the detailed Budget are posted on our website under Documents and Publications.

4.4.1. 2020-21 Audited Financial Statements – attached

2021-12-15-1RA Receive the 2020-21 Audited Financial Statements

MOVED by Director Spahl and seconded by Director Makwana that the Society resolves to receive the 2020-21 Audited Financial Statements as presented.
Motion CARRIED with 221 votes in favour and 4 opposed.

4.4.2. Appointment of Auditor

2021-12-15-2RA Approve the Appointment of FFCA's 2021-22 Auditors

MOVED by Director Makwana and seconded by Director Diaz that the Society resolves to approve the appointment of RSM Alberta LLP Chartered Accountants as FFCA's auditors for the 2021-22 school year.
Motion CARRIED with 221 votes in favour and 4 opposed.

5. **Board Election Results**

- Total Society votes: 831
- The successful candidates are Jenny Hill, Ketan Lakhani, and Gopal Saini. Thank you to all of the candidates for putting your names forward, and members are encouraged to do so again in the 2022 election!

6. **Open to the gallery:**

- What were the electoral vote counts? Only the total votes will be released at this time.
- Comments from Vice-Chair Hill: Thank you to CFO Morgan; it's been a pleasure working with you. Thank you to all staff, administration, and teachers for giving everything you have again this year and for providing a safe, caring, and welcoming environment for our students and families!
- Comment from Chair Wilson: Congratulations to the successful candidates!

7. **Adjournment** 7:16 p.m.