

EATON SCHOOL BOARD
MAY 4, 2020
MINUTES

Present remotely were Chris Kennedy, Monique Hebert, Nella Thompson and Kevin Richard.

The Eaton School Board is holding an emergency meeting pursuant to Executive Order 2020-04, Section 8 and Emergency Order #12, Section 3 (due to the COVID-19 pandemic, a quorum of the public body is not physically present).

1. Call to Order – Chair Kennedy called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.
2. Approval of Minutes – **Monique Hebert made a motion to approve the minutes of April 6, 2020. The motion was seconded by Nella Thompson and passed by a unanimous roll call vote:** Ms. Hebert – Yes, Ms. Thompson – Yes, and Mr. Kennedy – Yes.
3. Business Affairs
 - A. Signing of Manifest – The manifest was signed as presented.
 - B. FYI – 2021-21 Program Assurances for Federal Formula Grants – These program assurances must be provided to and reviewed with the LEA school board. The Superintendent will then sign each of the program assurances the LEA plans to participate in.
 - C. Consider General Assurances, Terms, and Requirements for Participation in Federal Programs – **Nella Thompson moved that the Chair (on behalf of the School Board) sign all necessary forms acknowledging that the Superintendent has informed the School Board about the District’s participation in Federal Programs and the terms and conditions of the General Assurances, Requirements and Definitions for Participation in Federal Programs. The motion was seconded by Monique Hebert and passed by a unanimous roll call vote:** Ms. Hebert – Yes, Ms. Thompson – Yes, and Mr. Kennedy – Yes.
 - D. FYI – Audit Letter – The letter was sent with the agenda.
4. Superintendent’s Report
 - A. COVID-19 Update - Mr. Richard shared the results of a survey on remote instruction (see attached).
5. Any Other Business
 - A. Set Date for Next Meeting – The next meeting will be on June 1, 2020.
 - B. Second Reading and Adoption of Policy DAF (Administration of Federal Grant Funds) – **Monique Hebert moved to adopt Policy DAF on second reading. The motion was seconded by Nella Thompson and passed by a unanimous roll call vote:** Ms. Hebert – Yes, Ms. Thompson – Yes, and Mr. Kennedy – Yes.

C. Adoption of Policies

1. AC – Nondiscrimination/Equal Opportunity
2. ACAA/JBAA – Harassment and Sexual Harassment of Students
3. ACAA-R/JBAA-R – Student Discrimination and Harassment Complaint Procedure
4. ACF – Guidelines for Processing Requests for Reasonable Modifications to Policies, Practices or Procedures for Individuals with Disabilities

Nella Thompson moved to adopt these policies. The motion was seconded by Monique Hebert and passed by a unanimous roll call vote: Ms. Hebert – Yes, Ms. Thompson – Yes, and Mr. Kennedy – Yes.

D. Nella Thompson has heard that 5G wireless may be harmful for students. Kevin will research this with the Tech Department.

6. Board Member Issues – Chris Kennedy gave a big thanks to all for the work that has been done to support remote instruction.

7. Nonpublic Session – none

8. **Nella Thompson moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Monique Hebert and passed by a unanimous roll call vote at 6:45 pm:** Ms. Hebert – Yes, Ms. Thompson, Yes, and Mr. Kennedy – Yes.

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin Richard
Superintendent of Schools

**Remote Learning Update
April 27, 2020**

SAU 9 Remote Learning Survey Results

Parent Guardian Survey	March 23, 2020	April 27, 2020
# Responses	673	722
Correct amount of contact from school	83%	82%
Time spent each day 2-4 hours	38%	45%
Time spend each day 4-6 hours	49%	34%
Does the schedule meet student needs	94%	87%
Amount of work "just right"	70%	72%
Level of challenge/difficulty "just right"	78%	75%
Has your family been able to access staff (yes)	92%	92%

Student Survey	March 23, 2020	April 27, 2020
# Responses	448	722
Correct amount of contact from school	81%	87%
Time spent each day 2-4 hours	34%	36%
Time spend each day 4-6 hours	43%	43%
Does the schedule meet student needs	94%	72% Yes- 23% partially
Amount of work "just right"	59%	58%
Level of challenge/difficulty "just right"	79%	75%
Has your family been able to access staff (yes)	88%	83%yes- 16% sometimes
What impact has remote instruction had on your learning?		Significant Positive-6% Positive -29% No impact-33% Negative-24% Significant negative-8%

Commendations for remote learning-

- Acknowledgement and recognition for the efforts of staff to implement remote learning

- SAU 9 is doing better than most with remote learning
- Student/staff contact is excellent
- Use of "live" platform to connect with students
- Staff creativity
- Food service/68 hours of hunger
- Creating structured social engagement opportunities

Concerns for remote learning-

- Sustainability for all-(endurance of students and staff)
- Screen time
- Families have concerns about supporting their children
- Social Emotional well-being of students
- Disengagement from some students
- Meeting individual needs of students

Considerations moving forward

- Organizing the end of the school year for all students
- Transitioning students from grade to grade
- Collection of devices, returning belongings to students
- Summer programming
- Extended food service for Summer-we can deliver as long as instruction is going on
- Closing out the school year differently
- End of year celebrations, ceremonies, recognition, graduation, scholarships