

ACCESSIBILITY FOR ALL COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday, February 2, 2021

1:00 - 3:00 p.m

Virtual - meet.google.com/dsh-cquf-ddi

Chairperson: Laura Di Ianni

Recorder: Vicki Blakely

Members: Laura Di Ianni, David Bernier, Braden Leal, Galen Eagle, Chantal Bouillon, Adam White, Daniel Piggott, Eric Hansen, Theresa Godin, Teri Smith, Richard Driscoll, Darren Kahler, Michael Kaszuba, Melissa Featherstone, Corrie McInroy, Laurie Corrigan, Kelly Smigielski

Absent: Daniel Piggott, Joel Sloggett, Nora Shaughnessy, Isabel Grace

Recorder: Vicki Blakely

A. Call to Order: 1:03 p.m.

1. Welcome - Laura Di Ianni
2. Land Acknowledgment/Opening Prayer - Chantal Bouillon
3. Additions to the Agenda:
 - a. None
4. Approval of Agenda
 - a. Motion: Galen Eagle
 - b. Second: Michael Kaszuba
5. Approval of the [Minutes](#) of the Meeting of October 20, 2020
 - a. Motion: Eric Hansen
 - b. Second: Theresa Godin
6. Business arising from previous minutes:
 - a. Operations Subcommittee: Committee of the Whole Presentation; Resolution - updates shared later in agenda

B. Information and Discussion Items:

1. Updates re: [Membership for 2020-2021](#) - Laura Di Ianni
 - a. Welcome to Braden Leal, new member from the Trustees

- b. Gratitude to David Bernier for sitting on the committee in the past, now as the Ex-officio.
2. Committee of the Whole Presentation- Laura Di Ianni
- a. Laura Di Ianni shared the presentation Accessibility for All Update that was presented to the Committee of the Whole.
 - b. On April 14, 2021 the 5-6 New Administrative Procedures will go forward to the Policy Committee.
 - c. Who/how/where will we review consultation with the public:
 - i. Going forward, new structures/playgrounds at schools will need consultation with current students but also have a diverse lens to be inclusive of future needs of students. Consultation will not just be limited to the current student representation. To be discussed further with the Superintendent of Business & Finance/Facility Services.
 - ii. Peterborough has an accessibility organization that can be consulted.
 - 1. TIMS Program (Time in My Shoes) gives students the opportunity to understand differences, they may be operating virtually this year due to the pandemic.
 - 2. Council for Persons of Disabilities in Peterborough - Adam White will look into this and possibly a numbered memo to follow.
 - iii. Trent University students did a study a few years ago, we will ask for this information if accessible/applicable to be brought back by the Superintendent of Business & Finance/Facility Services.
 - d. The question arose of how much influence or say in ensuring that 3rd parties are compliant with AODA standards, such as CLEVR and eBase?
 - i. Sean Heuchert, Manager of Information Technology to be consulted - to see what is available and/or already compliant.
3. Resolution - Laura Di Ianni
- a. David Bernier with Laurie Corrigan and Isabel Grace brought forward the [resolution](#) to the Ontario Catholic School Trustee Association.
 - i. The resolution has been sent to the Resolution Committee of OCSTA for review and then may proceed to the AGM at the end of April to be voted on. David Bernier has motioned the resolution for OCSTA.
4. New Administrative Procedures - Laura Di Ianni
- a. Development of the Administrative Policies continues and will go forward to the Policy Committee through the Operational Committee.
 - b. Received the endorsement as a step from the Trustees, the Administrative Procedures will go to the Policy Committee once completed by the overseeing Superintendents.
5. Updates from stakeholders: - Committee Members
- a. Plant
 - i. None
 - b. Information Technology
 - i. The website is now 93% compliant to the AA standard.
 - ii. Learning Technologies is next, it's only at 63%, but it will be combined with the corporate website and updated.
 - iii. All but 5 school websites are compliant, ensuring staff at schools are aware of the requirements and trained so these upgrades can proceed.

- c. Transportation
 - i. None.
 - d. Special Education
 - i. Soundfield audio systems in the elementary classrooms are all complete, except Notre Dame but it has a different set up. 95% of the secondary schools are completed.
 - ii. Once finalized and back into the schools/CEC completed this should come to the attention of the Trustees at the next Board meeting and be shared.
 - e. Human Resources
 - i. None.
 - f. Health and Safety
 - i. After the audit that was completed one of the comments made was in regards to our theatre arts classrooms. Would assisted listening devices when theatre production is on as the audience often sits in the cafeteria for performances (OBC does not require) work with our current set up? Soundfilled may not be able to accommodate this, but there are some schools that have FM headset systems available.
 - g. Communications
 - i. Ensured the Back to School guide was compliant for the website and families.
 - h. CUPE
 - i. None.
 - i. OECTA
 - i. None.
 - j. Other:
 - i. None.
6. National Accessibility Awareness Week: May 31 - June 4, 2021
- a. The below resources were discussed for National Accessibility Week.
 - i. [Red Shirt Day Wednesday, June 2nd, 2021: Easter Seals](#)
 - ii. [Government of Canada: National Accessibility Awareness Week 2020](#)
 - iii. [PVNC Accessibility Brochure](#)

C. Conclusion:

1. Next Steps:
 - a. Operations Committee to meet to prepare/review the Administrative Policies going forward to the Policy Committee.
2. Future Meetings:
 - a. Accessibility for All: May 6, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.
 - i. Volunteer for Land Acknowledgment & Opening/Closing Prayer
 - b. Operational Sub-Committee:
 - i. Operations Subcommittee: April 29th, 2021 at 1:15 p.m. - reschedule for late February
3. Closing Prayer: Chantal Bouillon
4. Adjournment:
 - a. Motion: Braden Leal
 - b. Second: Adam White