



April 7, 2021 via GoToMeeting

# DISTRICT COUNCIL

## MINUTES

Present:	Jennifer Kumpf	District President
	April Brander	Vice President
	Geoff Brenders	Vice President
	Jennifer Hill	Treasurer
	Meighen McGregor	1 <sup>st</sup> Executive Officer
	Avi Ghosh	2 <sup>nd</sup> Executive Officer / TDHS
	Eric Soepboer	Occasional Teachers' President
	Ted Frayne	AMSS
	Don Cameron	BDHS / Health & Safety Officer
	Chris Sommer	GLSS
	Jennifer Ryan	LKCS
	Carey Eldridge	LKDSB / Education Services Officer / Vice Chair
	Trevor Jamieson	NCIVS
	Josh MacDougall	NLSS
	Elliot Blackshaw	RDHS
	Veronika Redfern	VLHS
	Tim Dolbear	WDSS
	Dave Parkes	Federation Officer
	Chris Schleihauf	Chair
	Elish Smith	Status of Women Officer
	Carolyn Caldwell	Recording Secretary
Regrets:	Deb Reitberger	CPAC Officer
	Harvey Bischof	Provincial Executive Liaison

- 1.0 Welcome and Call to Order at 4:00 pm.
- 2.0 The Ontario Secondary School Teachers' Federation acknowledges and thanks the Chippewa, Odawa, Potawatomi and Delaware Peoples of this territory and other Indigenous Peoples for sharing this land so that we may come together today in a good way.
- 3.0 Reading of the Pledge by Chris Schleihauf.
- 4.0 Dave Parkes was appointed as the Anti-Harassment Officer for the meeting and the Anti-Harassment Policy and Equity Statement was read.
- 5.0 The agenda was approved as printed.

6.0 The previous Minutes of January 13, 2021 were approved as printed.

7.0 Business Arising from Previous Minutes – none.

8.0 Business:

8.1 Committee Officers

All Committee Officer positions (CPAC, Health & Safety, Human Rights, Status of Women, and Federation Officer) are currently posted. The posters were emailed to all members, posted on the District website and shared on social media.

8.1.1 Interim Human Rights Position

Mover: Jennifer Kumpf  
Seconder: Jennifer Hill

BIRT District Council approve the appointment of Avi Ghosh to the Human Rights Officer vacancy until the end of its current term.

Motion carried.

8.2 AMDA Planning

The revised AMDA date of June 2<sup>nd</sup> was emailed to all AMDA Delegates. Up-to-date information can be found on the District website.

8.3 Council Planning

Due to AMDA being rescheduled, the last Council meeting will also be rescheduled to May 19<sup>th</sup>.

8.4 Health and Safety Reporting

In consultation with Provincial Office's legal team, District President Jennifer Kumpf has continued to have regular communication with the local Medical Officers of Health and the Board regarding COVID-19 response measures in place. This is in line with DBU #159 and the Provincial strategy of targeting higher risks regions.

8.5 Local Anti-Harassment Policies and Procedures Update

Mover: Jennifer Kumpf  
Seconder: Avi Ghosh

BIRT District Council approve the updated District 10 Anti-Harassment Policy, Procedure, and Equity Statement.

Motion carried.

## 8.6 Active Retired Members (ARM) Biennial

ARM is currently attempting to establish new ARM Chapters wherever possible. They are requesting a representative from District 10 attend the ARM Biennial on Friday, May 7<sup>th</sup>. If anyone knows a retiree that might be interested in this role, please contact the District Office. The deadline for registration is April 12<sup>th</sup>.

## 9.0 Reports:

### 9.1 Provincial

A written report was provided.

### 9.2 President

A written report was provided.

### 9.3 Treasurer

A written report was provided.

### 9.4 Federation Officer

A written report was provided.

### 9.5 Health & Safety

A written report was provided.

### 9.6 Education Services – no report.

### 9.7 CPAC - no report.

### 9.8 Status of Women

District 10 is eligible to send one more representative to the Status of Women Conference on May 7 and 8. Interested members should contact the District Office.

### 9.9 Branch Concerns

9.9.1 RDHS – concern regarding the timelines for report cards.

9.9.2 CKSS – questions why members are required to be in the building for a transition day during a stay-at-home order.

9.9.3 NCIVS – have selections been made for the Provincial Student Achievement Awards? Referred to DBU #128.

9.9.4 LKCS – question regarding priority access to vaccinations for teachers in Chatham Kent.

9.9.5 NCIVS – is it necessary to register for your vaccination using Board email address? It is a step in authentication to ensure eligibility. Some members reported success using a non-Board email address.

9.9.6 GLSS – concern regarding how masks were distributed (in Ziploc bags rather than unopened/sealed boxes). Don Cameron to follow up on the process.

10.0 Other – none.

11.0 The meeting adjourned at 5:22 pm.