



September 18, 2019

# DISTRICT COUNCIL

## MINUTES

Present:	Jennifer Kumpf Steve Spring April Brander Geoff Brenders Eric Soepboer	District President Vice President / LCCVI Vice President 1 <sup>st</sup> Executive Officer Occasional Teachers' President
	Ted Frayne Don Cameron Joe Kuhn Chris Sommer Devin Pearson Jennifer Ryan Carey Eldridge Meighen McGregor Elliot Blackshaw Avi Ghosh Tim Dolbear	AMSS BDHS / Health & Safety Officer CKSS GLSS JMSS LKCS LKDSB / Education Services Officer NCIVS RDHS TDHS WDSS
	Dave Parkes Malini Leahy Chris Schleihauf Carolyn Caldwell Deb Verhart Jennifer Hill	Federation Officer Provincial Executive Liaison Chair Recording Secretary CPAC Officer Election Candidate
Regrets:	Jennifer McQuade	Status of Women

- 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 Dave Parkes.
- 4.0 Steve Spring was appointed as the Anti-Harassment Officer for the meeting. Chris Schleihauf read the Anti-Harassment Policy and Equity Statement.
- 5.0 One amendment to the Agenda – change 8.6 to read Bylaw 4.2.14. The agenda was approved as amended.

6.0 The previous Minutes of June 5, 2019 were approved as printed.

7.0 Business Arising from Previous Minutes – none.

8.0 Business:

8.1 Mover: Jennifer Kumpf  
Secunder: Steve Spring

BIRT the 2019/2020 meetings of District Council be considered formal with respect to Rules of Order in the Provincial Handbook.

Motion carried.

8.2 Human Rights Officer Appointment

This position is still vacant. A new Posting was provided.

8.3 Election of Interim Treasurer

There are three candidates: Geoff Brenders, Jennifer Hill and Meighen McGregor.

Chair reviewed elections process. This is a weighted vote. Candidate information was provided. Each candidate will have three minutes to make his/her speech.

The Chief Returning Officer, Dave Parkes declared Jennifer Hill elected as Interim Treasurer.

8.4 Branch Rebates/Levy/Executive/Non-Board Email Addresses

Branch Presidents were reminded that Branch Executives, Branch Budgets and Branch Levy motions are due to the District Office by October 1<sup>st</sup>.

A list of non-Board email addresses should be updated and submitted to the District Office as soon as possible.

8.5 School Visits Schedule

School visit schedules for each Branch were previously sent to every Branch President.

#### 8.6 District Appeals Committee (Byl 4.2.14)

Mover: Jennifer Kumpf  
Second: Geoff Brenders

BIRT the District Council appoints Steve Spring and April Brander and Meighen McGregor to the District Appeals Committee as per Byl 4.2.14.

Motion Carried.

A request will go out for a Member-at-Large through the District website and social media.

#### 8.7 Student Achievement Awards in Honour of Marion Drysdale

Packages should be available at every Branch. Please encourage participation.

#### 8.8 OSSTF Retirement Workshop

The Workshop will be held October 16th at the Clubhouse at Baldoon in Wallaceburg at 4:00 pm. Posters were provided. Information posted on District website and social media.

#### 8.9 Election of Interim Executive Officer

Mover: Jennifer Kumpf  
Second: Carey Eldridge

BIRT District Council appoints Meighen McGregor as Interim Executive Officer.

Motion Carried.

#### 8.10 Labour Council Membership and Representation

The approximate cost of affiliating with both the Sarnia & District Labour Council and the Chatham Kent Labour Council will be \$1,267; 75% of which will be reimbursed by the Provincial Office from Account 2052. This amount was budgeted for in the CPAC line.

Mover: Jennifer Kumpf  
Second: Steve Spring

BIRT District 10 affiliate with the Sarnia & District Labour Council and the Chatham Kent Labour Council for a period of one year.

Motion Carried.

## 8.11 Educator's Financial Group Workshop

Educator's Financial Group provides many products, including a wide variety of workshops. Council was asked if there is interest to host workshops, either at Branches or District wide. A list of workshops will be emailed to all Branch Presidents for their review.

## 9.0 Reports:

### 9.1 Provincial

A written report was provided.

### 9.2 President

A written report was provided.

### 9.3 Treasurer - no report.

### 9.4 Federation Officer

A written report was provided. Questions and concerns regarding the Attendance Support Program were addressed.

### 9.5 Health & Safety

The Joint Health & Safety Committee will meet for the first time this Friday. In-school training for Branch Representatives will be provided by Ministry of Labour trained personnel.

If any Branches have health and safety concerns, please forward to Don Cameron.

### 9.6 Education Services – no report.

### 9.7 CPAC

A written report was provided.

### 9.8 Branch Concerns

9.8.1 The District would like to add Branch Presidents' names (names only, no contact information) to the District website, on the page that all schools are listed. If any Branch President would prefer his/her name not appear, please let the District Office know.

10.0 Other:

10.1 Mover: Elliot Blackshaw  
Seconded: Tim Dolbear

BIRT the ballots be destroyed.

Motion carried.

11.0 The meeting adjourned at 5:45 pm.