

# MINUTES August 25, 2021

Present: Brandi Rai, President Shelley Odishaw, Vice President

Rich Haggerty, Director

Kerry Bodell, Director

Andi Romito, Director

Hollie Tarasewich, Director

Sheila Hobday, Director

Greta Gerstner, Director

Krista Li, Director

Krista Scott, Director

**Regrets**: Melissa Smith, Director

Staff: Wendy Keiver, Executive Director

**Guest:** Stephen Webber, Metrix Group LLP (6:15 – 6:45 p.m.)

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME

President Rai called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday August 25, 2021 and welcomed everyone. She provided a Treaty and Territory Acknowledgement.

#### 2. REVIEW OF THE AGENDA

**MOTION:** Directors Gerstner/Li

That the ASCA Board of Directors approves the agenda, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2.1 Board Meeting Protocols, Team Agreement, and the Culture and Relationships Container were supplied for information and review.

### 3. PREVIOUS BOARD MINUTES

3.1 June 26-27, 2021 Minutes

**MOTION**: Directors Haggerty/Tarasewich

That the ASCA Board of Directors approves the June 26-27, 2021 Board Meeting Minutes, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

### 4. BUSINESS: STEWARDSHIP AND REPRESENTATION

4.1 Stewardship (Association Oversight)

## A. Advocacy Committee

No Report

## B. Governance Committee

No Report

### C. Internal Finance Committee

Report and Recommendation



**MOTION**: Directors Hobday/Surgenor

That the ASCA Board of Directors accepts the Internal Finance Committee report for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**MOTION**: Directors Hobday/Tarasewich

That the ASCA Board of Directors accepts the recommendation of the Internal Finance Committee to repay the CEBA loan by December 12, 2022.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## D. Legacy Committee

No Report

## E. Member Engagement Committee

No Report

### F. Nominations Committee

No Report

### G. Recognition Awards Committee

No Report

### H. Education Issues and E-Scan

## Overview – Collaboration with ATA for 2021-2022 Publicity Campaign:

The President provided Board members with an explanation of the messaging and intended outcome of the publicity campaign being planned by the ATA, and what ASCA's involvement and/or support might look like.

#### Overview - 2021-2022 School Plan:

# ASCA Submission to Education Ministry

Board members reviewed the August 16, 2021 ASCA submission to the Education Ministry.

# 2021-2022 School Plan Survey Results

Board members reviewed the results from the 2021-2022 School Plan (Re-entry) and discussed a variety of perspectives and interpretations.

# ❖ ASCA Official Advocacy Position on 2021-2022 School Year Plan

(Director Tarasewich exited the meeting during this discussion at 7:35 p.m.)

Board members discussed the broad spectrum of parent perspectives related to the current plans for school re-entry while Covid-19 is still a legitimate health concern.

**MOTION**: Directors Scott/Gerstner

That the ASCA Board of Directors utilizes the results of the 2021-2022 School Re-entry Plan Survey to inform its advocacy position on the 2021-2022 School Year Plan.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## **MOTION**: Directors Gerstner/Haggerty

That the ASCA Board of Directors directs the President to advocate for the protection of school aged children with the continuation of mandatory isolation for positive cases beyond September 27, 2021; continuation of testing beyond September 27, 2021; implementation of mandatory reporting of positive cases to schools; the requirement of schools to notify close contacts of positive cases; and that public health policy must be established by public health officials and experts, not trustees, superintendents and other education experts related to the 2021-2022 School Year Plan presented by the Education Minister/Ministry, on behalf of ASCA Member School Councils.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY



**MOTION**: Directors Gerstner/Romito

That the ASCA Board of Directors directs the Executive Director to acknowledge the responses received, and concerns with the integrity of the data resulting from asking simple questions for a complex situation, to be publicly posted instead of the 2021-2022 School Year Plan Re-entry Survey Results.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**MOTION**: Directors Hobday/Li

That the ASCA Board of Directors directs the Executive Director to not share the 2021-2022 School Year Plan Re-Entry Survey Results with the Minister/Ministry of Education, but to provide a copy of the statement being released publicly.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

# Overview - Municipal Elections being influenced by "party politics":

This item was tabled to the September 25-26, 2021 Board Meeting.

## **Items identified by Directors:**

This item was tabled to the September 25-26, 2021 Board Meeting.

### I. Financial Report

i. Audit Findings Letter & Audited Financial Statement

**MOTION**: Directors Hobday/Haggerty

That the ASCA Board of Directors accepts the Audited Financial Statements for the period ending June 30, 2021 as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ii. Income Statement YTD, Forecast, Budget

**MOTION**: Directors Hobday/Surgenor

That the ASCA Board of Directors accepts the July 31, 2021 Income Statement with Year End Forecast and 2021-2022 Budget for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

iii. Balance Sheet 07.21

**MOTION**: Directors Hobday/Haggerty

That the ASCA Board of Directors accepts the July 31, 2021 Balance Sheet for information.

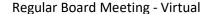
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## J. Board Progress: Vision Path Destinations and Growth Goals Progress

No new report. A link to previous reports was provided to the Board on the agenda.

### K. Executive Director Report

- i. Monthly Activities: ED, Staff No Report
- ii. ASCA Grant Application to Alberta Ed
- iii. BN: ASCA 2021 GM Attendance Comparison
- iv. BN: ASCA 2021 Conference Attendance Comparison





**MOTION**: Directors Haggerty/Surgenor

That the ASCA Board of Directors accepts the Executive Director Actions report as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**MOTION**: Directors Bodell/Romito

That the ASCA Board of Directors tables the review and discussion of the AGM and Conference Attendance Comparison Reports to the September 25-26, 2021 Board Meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**MOTION**: Directors Surgenor/Romito

That the ASCA Board of Directors directs the Executive Director to refrain from providing an "advocacy highlights" report utilizing the new PPP2 responses along with a comparison of any questions common in both surveys.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

v. BN: Associate Membership Delegation of Authority

**MOTION**: Directors Li/Gerstner

That the ASCA Board of Directors delegates authority to the Executive Director to approve ASCA
Association Membership requests by fundraising associations (FRAs), and/or similar entities affiliated with school and school councils.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

vi. BN: ASCA Position Duties

**MOTION**: Directors Bodell/Surgenor

That the ASCA Board of Directors accepts the ASCA Position Duties report as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**MOTION**: Directors Haggerty/Bodell

That the ASCA Board of Directors utilizes the ASCA Position Duties report to inform future discussions related to changes being considered, or implemented, for the Association.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## L. Board Management

i. SWOT Analysis & Financial Viability

**MOTION**: Vice President Odishaw/Director Haggerty

That the ASCA Board of Directors moves in camera.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**MOTION**: Directors Gerstner/Surgenor

That the ASCA Board of Directors moves out of camera.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION (from in camera): Directors Haggerty/Bodell

That the ASCA Board of Directors call a Special Board Meeting to continue this important work.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ii. Mentorship/PODsNo Report

iii. In Camera: Priorities

This item was tabled to a Special Board Meeting, date to be determined



iv. Meeting Dates: October; December; February Board members were advised to watch for a survey enabling them to identify their availability for evening Board meetings.

## 4.2 Representation (Provincial Level Participation)

## A. Director's Reports

No Report

**B.** School Council Engagement Task Force No Report

# C. Stakeholder Engagement

i. BN: ASCA stakeholder Satisfaction Survey Results

**MOTION**: Directors Surgenor/Scott

That the ASCA Board of Directors tables the review and discussion of the AGM Stakeholder Satisfaction Survey Report to the September 25-26, 2021, Board Meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

### D. Advocacy in Action Summary

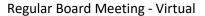
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#### 4.3 Unfinished Business

### **INFORMATION ITEMS:**

- 5.1 Future Weekend Meeting Dates: September 25-26, 2021; November 27-28, 2021; January 22-23, 2022; March 26-27, 2022
- 5.2 Future Weekday Evening Meeting Dates: To Be Decided
- 5.3 Future Pre-Conference Board Meeting: April 22, 2022, time TBD
- 5.4 Future General Meetings of ASCA: 2022 Annual General Meeting (AGM) April 24, 2022
- **7. MEETING EVALUATIONS:** Directors were reminded to complete the electronic Board Meeting Evaluation before Monday August 30, 2021.
- **8. ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned at 9:49 p.m. on Wednesday August 25, 2021.

Brandi Kai	Wendy Kewer
President	Executive Director
Brandi Rai	Wendy Keiver





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