



Palliser District Teachers' Convention Board (PDTCA) Full Board Meeting Minutes



Virtual Online Meeting

January 29th, 2022 – 9:00 a.m.

Zoom link: <https://zoom.us/j/98039264170?pwd=WnB6aXBveWJRRXRnbTlyOHNjZTVWUT09>

Virtual attendance: B. Baum, S. Buchfink, A. Caporicci, E. Clarkson, C. Crane, S. Doikas, A. Doyle, V. Doyle, N. Emond, A. England, L. Fagan, C. Frazer, L. Gibson, A. Gillespie, C. Gonsalvez, R. Hatch, K. Hinton, B. Hohenwarter, T. Hrysak, G. Hunter, S. Leppa, W. Lorenz, P. Morck, K. Muir, J. Munton, L. Murphy, K. Nakaska, A. Neefe, L. Neville, S. Paton, A. Pollard, A. Rai Nannan, M. Rogers, D. Saunderson, M. Shain, Y. Toney, A. Van Vliet, S. Watson, B. Yagos, J. Yersh

Absent: K. McElroy, J. White

1. Call to order – 9:00 am.

2. Welcome and Land Acknowledgement – Read by Jenn Munton

3. Approval of Agenda

- Move the D.R. report to after the Adoption of minutes #5
- **Motion: That PDTCA adopt the Amended agenda of the January 29, 2022, meeting.** Moved by Lindsay/Seconded by Yvonne Toney. CARRIED

4. Adoption of minutes of the previous meeting:

- **Motion: That PDTCA approve the minutes of the October 2nd, 2021, PDTCA meeting.** Moved by Jen Yersh/Seconded by Denise Saunderson. CARRIED

5. Report of District Rep – Karen Nakaska – (report posted)

- 5.1. Karen Nakaska, Brenton Baum, Chris Gonsalvez reported together
- One Profession United slide presentation

6. Correspondence

- Candace Graham - PDTCA ATA session details and schedule
- Daniel Maas – Guest Registration Deadline for all Teachers' Conventions
- Dennis Theobald – Revised pandemic restrictions in response to Covid 19 omicron variant
- Melissa Purdue – Cultural Protocol and Land Acknowledgements
- Daniel Maas – Online Teachers' Convention Guest Registration updated
- Absent at Full Board meeting – Jill White, Kathy McElroy,

7. Unfinished Business arising from the October 2nd, 2021, Minutes (These were discussed at the December Executive meeting)

- 7.1. PDTCA discussion regarding that some of the Executive and/or Full Board meetings could become online rather than in person.
 - No change at this time
- 7.2. Renumeration for board members who do not qualify for hotel rooms
 - It was decided that there would be no change, as we cannot pay for something without a justifiable reason.
- 7.3. Sub pay for executive and general board members (when applicable) who are subbing, retired, or on a non-medical leave.
 - This was added to the **Policy 3.12 Board and executive members who are substitute teachers, retired teachers, or on non-medical leave will be paid the Rocky View substitute rate for meetings that occur during a school day.**

8. Treasurers Report - Sherry Leppa (report posted)

- 8.1. Make sure you let us know if you have an address change, so your cheque gets mailed to the correct person.
- 8.2. Sherry presented the balance sheet and the Profit and Loss
- 8.3. Sherry Leppa will make a motion tomorrow at the Full Board meeting to add a few executive members and an ATA staff officer for signing authority at the bank.

Moved: Paulette Morck/Tara Hrysak moved that the PDTCA signing authority be modified from single to multiple signing authorities with the following signatures: Sherry Leppa - Treasurer, Jennifer Munton – President, Susan Paton - Secretary and Executive staff officer Christopher Gonsalvez. Carried.

Rational: PDTCA Constitution - The signing officers shall be the President, Treasurer, Staff advisor and such other officer of officers as designated by the Convention Board.

9. Executive Reports

9.1. President – Jen Munton

- Thank you to everyone for doing a great job.
- Reminder to find out which board members will need to be reelected by your locals in time for our end of March 2022 meeting when we will be nominating teachers for positions on our executive from the general board.
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9.2. Past President – Veronica Doyle (No report)

9.3. Vice President - Jill White (report posted)

- Big thank you to Bertha!!
- FAQ – Is there anything else we need there?
- Honorary President – Louis Perrault from Three Drums of Wheat Local
- All ATA subgroups will be online until further notice – see letter from Dennis Theobald

- Make sure you got Jill's email from January 26th, 2022
- Board Member
 - Sign up for at least 3 sessions to moderate as soon as possible
 - Ensure you have reliable internet
 - Moderate from a professional looking space
 - Wear your red vest and name tag – If you need one let Jill know.
 - Attend our moderator training and review sessions.
 - Possibly make a google form for an emergency sign up
 - Tuesday, February 1st, 2022 – 6:00 – 7:00 pm with Danny Maas Zoom link
<https://zoom.us/j/98148128051?pwd=Tk5XcHJLYiRwSWtiRWpZnJlVjZHZMdz09>
 - Wednesday, February 23rd, 2022 – 7:00 – 8:00 pm zoom link
<https://zoom.us/j/91270014151?pwd=cU15a2tyYytuRndNeCtnbC96d1J5UT09>

9.4. Program - Paulette Morck (report posted)

- A big thank you to Bertha!!
- Thank you to all executive and board members for stepping up and helping with the program.
- **Help Desk** – will be available on Sched all the time – they will not disappear from Sched
- **Thursday Keynotes** 9:00 am live, recorded, and available for 30 days
 - **Dr. Robyne Hanely** – Dafoe - Stressing Wisely: “A Radical Shift in How we show up and Excel in All Areas of Our Lives”
 - **Dr. Michael Ungar** – “Helping Those Who Help Nurture and Maintain Their Resilience – Avoiding Burnout”
 - **Joel Monze** - Francophone Keynote – He is a neuro-scientist – session on the brain.
 - **Michelle Good** – Live, recorded and only available during convention
- **Documentary Film – The Wisdom of Trauma** – discussion package will be available to do on their own.
- **Friday Keynotes** –
 - **Gerry Brooks** – Influencer on Tic Tock and You Tube - 9:00 am, pre-recorded, and available only until 4 pm Friday
 - **Jann Arden** – 2:15 pm – 3:15 pm – live and not recorded (We will be sharing the expense of Jann Arden with SWATCA)
- Numerous Mini Documentaries available
- Also, hundreds of other sessions available
- Coding will be available to let people know if the sessions are available once or available for 30 days.
 - ! – available once
 - * *- recorded and available during convention
 - 30D – recorded and available for 30 days
- French Sessions – Sched – go to presentation language to see all the sessions available in French.

9.5. **Facilities** – Christine Crane (report posted)

- We will run a virtual help desk with Bertha, Paulette, Veronica, Christine, and Chris Gonsalvez
- Larry booked the introductory video recording with Encore at TELUS for Jenn Munton
 - Encore gave us a 25% discount
 - Feb. 8, 2022, at 9:30 am – Jenn and Larry will go to the Hyatt to record this introductory from the President - video recording. Paulette will help write the speech
 - Veronica will also be going with Jenn to do a French version of the opening address.
- With the cancellation of our rooms and meals at the Hyatt for convention, we will not be recompensed any of the \$52,000 that they were willing to put towards this expense as a result of cancelling our event.
- **Moderators**
 - Need to be on time (ie. Be in the waiting room 10 minutes before the start of the session)
 - Need to rename yourself and review their role – i.e., Moderator – Susan Paton
 - Watch that the recording starts when the speaker starts and ends when the session is finished. Encore will be doing this.
 - Remind delegates and moderators that they **NEED** to be on a computer, not a mobile device and with reliable internet!
 - Speakers will oversee break out rooms (often there is not enough time)
- Next Meeting
 - March 25/26, 2022
 - May 27/28, 2022
- **Amrit Rai Nannan/Ryan Hatch moved that lunch be provided at a maximum of \$30.00 with receipts to those moderating on Thursday, February 23, 2022, and Friday, February 24, 2022.**
- **Chris Gonsalvez/Tara Hrysak amended the motion to read: members who are moderating sessions at PDTCA are permitted to submit receipts for food and non-alcoholic beverages for up to \$60.00 Receipts must be dated between February 23, 2022, to February 25, 2022, inclusive. Carried**

9.6. **Publicity/Website/Evaluations** – Bertha Yagos (report posted)

- All sessions are in Sched – Chris Gonsalvez shared his screen to show this
 - Bertha went over how Sched works and how to find the Help Desk in the filter column
 - Help Desk on Wednesday – Jenn and Tara will be available during this time.
 - All pre-recorded sessions will open Thursday morning.
- Session Title Coding –
 - ! – available once
 - ** - available during convention
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- Moderators
 - Chris Gonsalvez shared his screen to show Moderators where they can find their sessions and print them. They can find them on the website as well as on Sched. They are also in time order.
 - Update their Zoom program
 - Don't be late – 10 - 12 minutes early
 - Change your name so that it has Moderator as well as your name.
 - The moderator's name is also listed in Sched this year.
 - All sessions have moderators as of today.
 - Moderator payment will be looked after by Bertha as she has a list of who will be moderating.

9.7. Exhibits – Tara Hrysak

- Thank you to Bertha and Sherry for helping with payment details.
- 33 Virtual exhibits so far. They are posted on Sched. Check them out to see the specials they are offering.
- We are still accepting registrations
- Watch for the scavenger hunt during convention
 - Andrew will be helping advertise on our social media

9.8. Social Media – Andrew Doyle (report posted)

- Have begun promoting the sessions website
- Will start to remind about the use of sched along with the different indicators (!, **, 30D)
- Starting to plan contests during convention

9.9. Secretary – Susan Paton

- Will send out the minutes and hi-lights
- Went over what will be on the hi-lights sheet - please share with all teachers.

9.10. ATA Convention Lead – Chris Gonsalvez

- Should alert local Presidents of when our convention elections are held so they can get their convention reps elected.
- Remind members that our social media will be very scrutinized this year so let's be professional about what and how we vote.

Motion: That PDTCA receive the committee reports as presented.

Moved by Amy Van Vliet/Seconded by Amrit Rai Nannan. CARRIED

10. Old Business

10.1. Policy Changes from the December 10th, 2021, meeting

- Chris Gonsalvez presented the Policy Document by sharing them via screen sharing. Changes were made live so everyone could see them.
- Amrit Rai Nannan/Veronica Doyle moved that we accept the changes made to the Policy handbook as presented and amended as a whole. Carried.

- The executive recommends that we will strike a committee for any monetary items in our policy.
 - Suggestion was also made to reconvene the adhoc committee after the 2022 Convention.

11. New Business

- 11.1. **Board Member Virtual Moderator Duties** – J. White
 - See Vice-Presidents report and look for any emails from Jill White
 - Make sure board members attend the training session
- 11.2. **Board Member responsibilities during convention** – J. White
 - See Vice-Presidents report
- 11.3. **On-line Moderator Support**
 - See Vice presidents report

12. Action Items

- 12.1. **Invited Guests** – Superintendents and Board Members – J. Munton
 - Jenn will only send the direct zoom links to the sessions we are inviting them to attend. She will invite them to see:
 - **Dr. Robyne Hanely** – Dafoe - Stressing Wisely: “A Radical Shift in How we show up and Excel in All Areas of Our Lives”
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- 12.2. **News Release from President** – J. Munton
 - Chris Gonsalvez is looking into who might be doing a Press Release for all conventions. Mark Milne is the media director for ATA and he usually sends out a combined release for all the conventions.
- 12.3. **Local Concerns**
 - Payment for attending virtual meetings will be kept the same which is a \$50.00 honorarium which is in Lou of your mileage/meal for the day.

Adjourned at 12:19 pm.