



Tłchq Community Services Agency Special Board Meeting Minutes November 4, 2021

In Attendance: Ted Blondin - Chairperson
Alex Nitsiza - Whatì Representative
Janita Etsemba - Behchokò Representative
Mary Adele - Wekweetì Representative

Executive and Staff: Kevin Armstrong- Chief Executive Officer
Linsey Hope - Director of Education
Sara Nash - Executive Director

Regrets: Irene Mantla - Gameti Representative

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 12:10. Chairperson Ted Blondin welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Opening Prayer

Ted Blondin led the TCSA Board in an opening prayer.

Declaration of Conflict of Interest

To perform good governance, TCSA Board meetings begin with a declaration of any real or perceived conflict of interest by board members. Conflict of interest declarations help ensure public confidence in the Board as they make decisions that affect strategic and financial actions of the TCSA. Conflict of interest declarations are recorded in the meeting's minutes.

The respective Northwest Territories Conflict of Interest Act states:

2. (1) *Where a member, either on his or her behalf or while acting for, by, with or through another, has any direct pecuniary interest*
- (a) *in a contact or proposed contract with the municipality or board,*



- (b) in a contract or proposed contract that is reasonably likely to be affected by a decision of the council or board, or
- (c) in a manner in which the council or board is concerned, and is present at a meeting of the council, board, or committee of the council or board at which the contract, proposed contract or other matter is the subject of consideration, the member shall, as soon as practicable after the commencement of the meeting, disclosed his or her interest and the extent and nature of the interest, and
- (d) Shall not take part in the consideration or discussion of, or vote on any such question with respect to, the contract, proposed contract, or other matter, or attempt in any way whether before, during or after the meeting to influence the voting on any such question.

2. (2) Where the interest of a member has not been disclosed as required by subsection (1) by reason of his or her absence from the meeting referred to in subsection (1) or by reason of the interest having been acquired or having come to his or her knowledge after the meeting, the member shall disclosed his or her interest and otherwise comply with subsection (1) at the first meeting of the council, board or committee that he or she subsequently attends.

No conflicts of interest were declared relevant to the agenda for this meeting of November 4, 2021.

Approval of Current Agenda

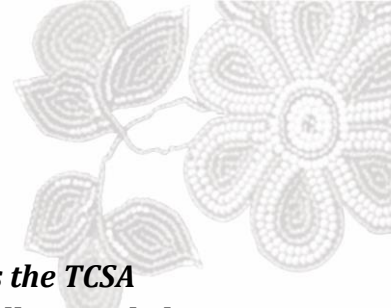
This is a special meeting to review the NWT COVID-19 situation, school re-opening recommendation, change in school calendar, and COVID-19 Vaccination for Employees Policy.

Be it resolved that the Tlichõ Community Services Agency Board approves the agenda for November 4, 2021. Moved by: Alex Nitsiza. Seconded by: Janita Etsemba. Motion Carried Unanimously.

TCSA COVID-19 Vaccination for Employees Policy

All TCSA Employees are required to be fully vaccinated by November 30, 2021 or will be required to wear TCSA designated Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and comply with TCSA COVID-19 testing protocols. Sara Nash outlined the procedure for employees including the roles and responsibilities of the employee and the employer. This policy has been reviewed by the Department of Finance and aligns with the GNWT Policy.





Be it resolved that the Tłı̨chǫ Community Services Agency Board approves the TCSA COVID-19 Vaccination for Employees Policy. Moved by: Mary Adele Football. Seconded by: Alex Nitsiza. Motion Carried Unanimously.

TCSA School Opening Recommendation

Kevin Armstrong reviewed the most recent information on COVID-19 in the Northwest Territories, specifically the Tłı̨chǫ region and Yellowknife. The number of active cases in Behchoko has reduced to 21 and the imposed Containment Order is due to expire on November 8, 2021. In the last week, Behchoko has reported only one positive case. Taking into consideration the current data and the implementation of a COVID-19 Screening Program for students, the TCSA recommends resuming in person learning on November 15, 2021. The proposed re-opening date conflicts with a previous scheduled, STIP day. The TCSA proposes changing the STIP day to November 10, 2021.

Be it resolved that the Tłı̨chǫ Community Services Agency Board approves Elizabeth Mackenzie Elementary School and Chief Jimmy Bruneau School in Behchoko to re-open to in person learning on November 15, 2021. Moved by: Alex Nitsiza. Seconded by: Janita Etsemba. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Be it resolved that the Tłı̨chǫ Community Services Agency Board approves the calendar change of the STIP day to November 10, 2021. Moved by: Alex Nitsiza. Seconded by: Janita Etsemba. Motion Carried Unanimously.

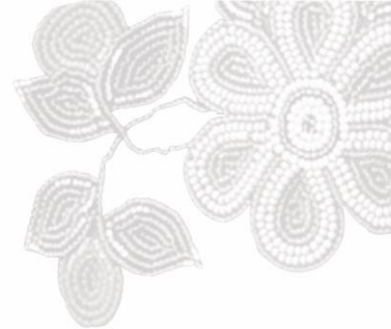
Board Meeting Schedule

Next in-person Board meeting will be scheduled for December 1-3, 2021 in Yellowknife.

Meeting Adjourned at 12:45 pm.

Be it resolved that the Tłı̨chǫ Community Services Agency Board closes the Special November 4, 2021, at 12:45 pm.





Chairperson Signature

December 1, 2021

Date

Chief Executive Officer Signature

December 1, 2021

Date

