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[Mr. Schow in the chair]

The Chair: Good morning, everyone. I'd like to welcome members and staff and guests to this meeting of the Select Special Child and Youth Advocate Search Committee. Today the date is Monday, December 13, 2021.

My name is Joseph Schow. I'm the MLA for Cardston-Siksika and chair of this committee. I would like to ask that those members joining the committee at the table introduce themselves for the record, and we'll start to my right.

Mr. Jones: Matt Jones, MLA, Calgary-South East.

Mr. Smith: Mark Smith, MLA, Drayton Valley-Devon.

Mr. Turton: Searle Turton, Spruce Grove-Stony Plain.

Mr. Jeremy Nixon: Jeremy Nixon, Calgary-Klein.

Ms Lovely: Jackie Lovely, Camrose constituency.

Mr. Sabir: Irfan Sabir, Calgary-Bhullar-McCall.

Ms Pancholi: Good morning. Rakhi Pancholi, Edmonton-Whitemud.

Ms Goehring: Good morning. Nicole Goehring, MLA, Edmonton-Castle Downs.

Mr. Steinbach: Jeff Steinbach, executive search consultant, Public Service Commission.

Mrs. Ellerby: Dot Ellerby, executive search.

Ms Rempel: Good morning. Jody Rempel, committee clerk.

The Chair: Thank you for that.

We do not have anyone joining us remotely at the moment, and for the record there are no substitutions.

Before we turn to the business at hand, just a few operational items. Further to the direction given by the office of the Speaker, I would like to note that masks are to be worn in the committee room at all times except when members are speaking. In addition, members are also encouraged to leave an appropriate amount of physical

distance around the table where available. Please set your cellphones and other devices to silent for the duration of the meeting.

Item 2, the agenda. Could I get a member to move a motion to approve today's meeting agenda as circulated? Ms Goehring has moved that the agenda of the December 13, 2021, meeting of the Select Special Child and Youth Advocate Search Committee be approved as circulated. All those in favour, please say aye. Any opposed, please say no. That motion is carried.

Adoption of the meeting minutes. Are there any errors or omissions to note?

If not, could I get a member to move to approve those minutes as distributed? Mr. Turton has moved that the minutes of the November 18, 2021, meeting of the Select Special Child and Youth Advocate Search Committee be approved as distributed. All those in favour, please say aye. Any opposed, please say no. That motion is carried.

Item 4, interviews for the position of Child and Youth Advocate. Today we will continue with the recruitment process for the position of the Child and Youth Advocate. To maintain the confidentiality of the applicants, it would be appropriate to continue our discussions in camera. Could I ask a member to move a motion to put us in camera? Ms Pancholi has moved that the Select Special Child and Youth Advocate Search Committee and the representatives from executive search move in camera. All those in favour, please say aye. Any opposed, please say no. That motion is carried.

[The committee met in camera from 8:33 a.m. to 4:08 p.m.]

The Chair: We are now back on the record.

I'd like to thank everybody for your diligent work today. We are now at other business. Do any members have anything they'd like to bring to the attention of the committee at this moment?

Hearing none, the next date of the committee will be at the call of me, the chair, which will be late January, early February of next year, 2022.

Before we get a motion to adjourn, I will wish everyone a Merry Christmas, Happy New Year. Please be safe, and drive safe wherever you're going.

Now I will ask if I can get a motion to adjourn. Mr. Nixon has moved that the Select Special Child and Youth Advocate Search Committee be adjourned. All those in favour, please say aye. Any opposed, please say no. That motion is carried.

Thank you, everyone.

[The committee adjourned at 4:09 p.m.]

