

STEM INNOVATION ACADEMY SOCIETY

**TERMS OF REFERENCE
OF THE
TECHNOLOGY ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

ARTICLE 1
GENERAL

- 1.1 General Terms. The General Terms of Reference for Committees ("General Terms") are incorporated herein by reference, except as otherwise provided herein.
- 1.2 Purpose. The primary purposes and functions of the Committee are to:
- (a) Develop a strong relationship between the School, industry, and academia;
 - (b) Inform the Board of trends and advancements in technology domestically and internationally; and
 - (c) Provide direction on how students can stay current with emerging post-secondary and employment opportunities. and look at new technology with an open mind.

ARTICLE 2
INTERPRETATION

- 2.1 Defined Terms. In these terms of reference, unless the context otherwise requires:
- (a) "Terms of Reference" shall mean these terms of reference of the Committee; and
 - (b) "Committee" shall mean the technology advisory committee established by the Board.

ARTICLE 3
MEMBERSHIP

- 3.1 Composition. The Committee shall consist of at least two members ("Committee Members") appointed pursuant to the By-laws. The Committee shall consist of:
- (a) At least one Director;
 - (b) The Superintendent or a designate thereof; and

- (c) Up to 11 community or Board members.

In choosing community members to serve on the Committee, preference shall be given to persons with senior executive experience in relevant fields. At the request of the Committee, others may attend meetings of the Committee on an *ad hoc* or regular basis.

- 3.2 Committee Chair. The Committee shall have a chair ("Committee Chair") appointed pursuant to the By-laws. The Committee Chair must be a Director. In the absence or vacancy of the Committee Chair, the members of the Committee shall elect one of their number to act as Committee Chair for the time being. For the avoidance of doubt, the Committee Chair must be a Committee Member.

ARTICLE 4 COMMITTEE MEETINGS

- 4.1 Frequency. The Committee shall meet at least quarterly at the call of the Committee Chair. The Committee Chair may call additional meetings as required.

ARTICLE 5 RESPONSIBILITIES

- 5.1 Specific Responsibilities. In carrying out its mandate, the Committee should consider and make recommendations relating to:
 - (a) Innovation and research in Alberta and outside the province;
 - (b) How to use technology to solve problems in the classroom and in business;
 - (c) Where the Committee perceives knowledge and skills gaps in technology development in the workforce; and
 - (d) Tangible steps and skills for students to be adaptable in a rapidly changing world.