

PEMBINA TRAILS SCHOOL DIVISION

Regular Meeting of the Board June 11, 2015

Meeting Type : Board Meeting

Date : Thursday, June 11, 2015

Start time : 8:00 PM

Location : Administration Office, 181 Henlow Bay, Winnipeg, Manitoba

Minutes

Attendance

PRESENT:

Trustees:

T. Johnson, S. Billingham, J. Fisher, J. Glenat, L. Goodridge, K. McMillan,,
D. Johnson, D. Zuk.

Administration:

T. Fransen - Superintendent of Education,
E. Egan - Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources & Policy,
I. Riffel - Assistant Superintendent, Program,
J. Karras - Assistant Superintendent, Divisional Support Services,
S. Schmidt - Assistant Superintendent, Student Services,
C. Stahlke - Secretary-Treasurer.

Regrets: G. Melnyk

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 8:00 p.m.

AGENDA APPROVAL

Resolution #BD20150611.1001

Moved By: Kathleen McMillan Second By: Sheila Billingham
THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

Carried

Minutes Approval

Correction:

Page 2 South Pointe Day Care Parent Delegation, Paragraph three, sixth sentence. Revised to read: "They have tried to contact K.I.D.S. Inc. who have not been able to provide timelines".

Resolution #BD20150611.1002

Moved By: David Johnson Second By: Julie Fisher

THAT the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board held on May 28, 2015, be approved as corrected.

Carried

Standing Committee Reports, Special

Resolution #BD20150611.1003

Moved By: Julie Fisher Second By: Dianne Zuk

THAT the Standing Committee Reports, Special Committee Report and Other Reports be received as information and,

THAT the Teacher Contracts (Permanent and Term) as listed in the

**Committee
Reports and
Other Reports**

(STANDING COMMITTEE
REPORTS, SPECIAL
COMMITTEE REPORTS
AND OTHER REPORTS)
(Issue #20150521005)

Teacher Contracts Report dated June 11, 2015, be ratified and,
THAT the Teacher Contract Alterations as listed in the Contract Alterations
Report dated June 11, 2015, be approved and,
THAT the Substitute Teacher Contracts as listed in the 2014-15 Substitute
Teacher Contracts Report dated June 11, 2015, be ratified and,
THAT the Board accept, with regret, the Resignations as listed in the
Resignations Report dated June 11, 2015.

Carried

**Presentation -
Director of the
International
Student Program**

(EDUCATIONAL
PRESENTATIONS)
(Issue #20150521007)

B. Poole, Director of the International Students Program (ISP), made his
presentation to the Board.

The Director said it has been a busy year. He said that a new Assistant
Director has started this year. He said that they are celebrating their 20th
year of operation. He reviewed the enrolment trends. He said that there is a
slight drop in enrolment from last year. The enrolment from South Korea is
declining but Chinese student numbers are growing. He explained the
trends in enrolments from other countries.

He projected an enrolment close to 200 students for 2015/16. He identified
the countries where marketing efforts are being made. He outlined the
ISP's marketing strategy. He described how the ISP uses its recruiting
agents across the world. He reported on the various marketing techniques
which are used to recruit students and agents. The Director said that, this
year, the ISP Surplus was shared with all schools in the Division not only
those with ISP students. The funding to these other schools helps promote
the ISP.

He described the welcoming program for new immigrants into Pembina
Trails. He described some of the dynamics associated with immigrant
students integrating into Pembina Trails.

D. Zuk asked if there has been any synergy between the ISP and MITT as
they also have international students attending. The Director said that the
students coming to Pembina Trails are secondary students and it is a
different clientele that attends MITT.

He said that Manitoba has an International Education Act and one of the
requirements is that the institutes have to place on the website the list of
agents which each institute uses. He said that the Division will comply with
the disclosure when required to do so.

In answering a question, he said that we have had recruiting trips to former
eastern block countries.

The Director reviewed the history of the ISP in the Division. The
Superintendent said that the work that the Director has done makes our
Program the envy of the Province.

The Chair thanked the Director for his presentation.

**Non-Unionized
Salary Schedules
and Attendant
Items**

(BUSINESS FROM
PREVIOUS COMMITTEE
MEETING OF THE
WHOLE)
(Issue #20150601007)

Resolution #BD20150611.1004

Moved By: Julie Fisher Second By: Jaime Glenat

THAT the Salary Schedules and Attendant Items Documents for the following groups for the period July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2018, be approved:

- Directors: Non-Instructional;
- Directors: Instructional;
- Mid-Management: Finance;
- Mid-Management: Facilities;
- Senior Support Group;
- Adult Crossing Guards;
- Grounds Crew;
- Immigrant Workers;
- Early Childhood;
- I-3 Logistics

and that the following Salary Schedule and Attendant Items for Information Technology Students for the period June 1, 2015 through September 30, 2017, be approved.

Carried

**Naming of
School in South
Pointe**

(BUSINESS FROM
PREVIOUS COMMITTEE
MEETING OF THE
WHOLE)
(Issue #20150611006)

Resolution #BD20150611.1005

Moved By: Julie Fisher Second By: Kathleen McMillan

THAT the school located in South Pointe be named Ecole South Pointe School.

Carried

The Superintendent said that the Board had formed a School Naming Committee to bring forth names for Board consideration. The Committee held a number of meetings and shared minutes with the Board. He noted that certain external officials were included.

In answering a question, the Superintendent said the Communications Officer will issue a press release and place the notification on the website. The Assistant Superintendent, Divisional Support Services, said that the Public Schools Finance Board and the project architect will need to be notified.

**Response to the
Delegation**

(BUSINESS FROM
PREVIOUS COMMITTEE
MEETING OF THE
WHOLE)
(Issue #20150611007)

Resolution #BD20150611.1006

Moved By: Julie Fisher Second By: Laureen Goodridge

THAT the response to the Delegation of South Pointe parents be approved.

Carried

**By-Law No. 98
(Debenture 4108)**

(BY-LAWS AND/OR
POLICIES)
(Issue #20150528004)

Resolution #BD20150611.1007

Moved By: Kathleen McMillan Second By: Laureen Goodridge

WHEREAS, it is deemed necessary and expedient to raise by loan the sum of 608,800.00 dollars and on the credit of the said school

division for the purpose of: Dalhousie Steam Heating, St. Avila Gymnasium Addition, Fort Richmond Multipurpose and Phys. Ed Additions, Bairdmore Phase 2 Envelope, Dieppe Elevator and Roof, Fort Richmond Portable Classrooms, South Pointe New School.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 98, being a by-law of the Board of Trustees of the Pembina Trails School Division, for the purpose of borrowing the sum of 608,800.00 dollars and of issuing debentures therefor be given first reading.

Carried

**By-Law No. 99
(Religious
Instruction)**

(BY-LAWS AND/OR
POLICIES)

(Issue #20150527009)

D. Zuk noted that it seems to be a different organization than was previously the case. The Superintendent said that Child Evangelism Fellowship is the organization and Discovery Time is the program.

Resolution #BD20150611.1008

Moved By: Laureen Goodridge Second By: Julie Fisher

THAT By-Law No. 99, being a by-law of the Pembina Trails School Division, respecting the submission of a petition requesting the authorization for religious instruction at Bairdmore Elementary School, be given first reading.

Carried

**Policy AC - Non
Discrimination**

(HUMAN RESOURCES
AND POLICY
COMMITTEE)

(Issue #20150527011)

Resolution #BD20150611.1009

Moved By: Laureen Goodridge Second By: David Johnson

THAT Policy AC Non-Discrimination be given second and third reading and passed.

Carried

**Policy JLF -
Children in Need
of Protection**

(HUMAN RESOURCES
AND POLICY
COMMITTEE)

(Issue #20150527012)

In answering a question, the Assistant Superintendent, Student Services, said that a form is being developed and training as to how to complete the form is in process.

Resolution #BD20150611.1011

Moved By: Laureen Goodridge Second By: Julie Fisher

THAT Policy JLF - Children in Need of Protection, be given first reading.

Carried

**Policy KFB and
Regulation
KFB-R
Community Use
of Schools**

(HUMAN RESOURCES
AND POLICY
COMMITTEE)

(Issue #20150605001)

The Assistant Superintendent, Divisional Support Services, explained the challenges in administering the existing policy. He said that this version was revised to try to honour the intent of the previous policy but still be compliant to the Provincial Community Use of Schools rules.

In answering a question, he said that applications for next year have been approved under the old policy, but those who might be affected by change for the future will be notified. He said that the feedback process will take us into the fall before we can bring this back for second and third reading.

He explained the cycle would not start until September 2016. There was a

discussion with to various aspects of this policy and regulations.

Resolution #BD20150611.1010

Moved By: Laureen Goodridge Second By: David Johnson

THAT Policy KFB and Regulation KFB-R Community Use of Schools be given first reading.

Carried

**Request for
Financial
Assistance -
2015 Math
Olympiad
Training Camp**

(PEMBINA TRAILS
SCHOOL DIVISION
EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT
FUND INC.)
(Issue #20150610002)

Resolution #BD20150611.1012

Moved By: Jaime Glenat Second By: Laureen Goodridge

THAT a financial award from the Pembina Trails School Division Educational Support Fund Inc. be made as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Activity</u>
S.I. 707486	\$150	2015 Math Olympiad Training Camp

Carried

**School
Administration
Appointment -
Ecole Van
Walleghem
School
(Vice-Principal)**

(ADMINISTRATIVE
REPORTS)
(Issue #20150603010)

Resolution #BD20150611.1013

Moved By: Laureen Goodridge Second By: Sheila Billingham

THAT the Board of Trustees approve the appointment of Linda Eden as Vice-Principal of Ecole Van Walleghem School effective the 2015/16 school year.

Carried

**Response to the
Manitoba School
Boards
Association -
Advocacy
Document**

(ADMINISTRATIVE
REPORTS)
(Issue #20150604001)

The Chair said that an ad hoc committee was struck to prepare a response. J. Fisher thanked the Committee for their work.

Resolution #BD20150611.1014

Moved By: Kathleen McMillan Second By: Julie Fisher

That the Board approve the Chair's response to the Manitoba School Boards Association Advocacy Document.

Carried

**Board/SAT
Planning Session
August 27, 2015**

(ADMINISTRATIVE
REPORTS)
(Issue #20150603009)

The Superintendent said that the Board/SAT Planning session has been set for August 27, 2015 and the Administration needs two Trustees to join SAT to plan the day.

Resolution #BD20150611.1015

Moved By: Dianne Zuk Second By: Laureen Goodridge

THAT Trustees J. Fisher and T. Johnson be appointed to the Board/SAT Planning session to be held on August 27, 2015.

Carried

**Aboriginal
Education
Institute**

(NEW BUSINESS)
(Issue #20150601008)

L. Goodridge, D. Zuk and J. Glenat shared their experiences from the Aboriginal Education Institute.

J. Glenat said that the institute lasted three days and explained the areas of

focus. She said that Justice M. Sinclair was moving in his presentation on the topic of Residential Schools. She said she realized how much we do not know of our own history and its impact on the aboriginal culture. She said they were exposed to what is happening with respect to educational programming in other school divisions and the MASS Call to Action. She said that the aspect of having youth as mentors on the history of this matter is interesting.

L. Goodridge said that the emotional impact of Justice M. Sinclair's presentation was profound with respect to the lived experience of aboriginals in Canada. She said that those of us working in education should consider how we can move ahead and help to mitigate the damage which these past events have created.

D. Zuk said that a speaker from Saskatchewan was very effective. Darren McKie gave the perspective of the Saskatchewan Association.

The Assistant Superintendent, Program, referred to a Myra Laramée who is helping our own staff to improve the education for young aboriginals in this Division. He said there is also an initiative to help develop improved cultural sensitivity in this area. He reported that they are trying to get Justice M. Sinclair and others to present to the Division to help mold our ongoing development.

The Superintendent said this will be featured at the Fall Conference.

Resolution #BD20150611.1016

Moved By: Julie Fisher Second By: David Johnson

THAT the report from the Trustees and Administration with respect to the Aboriginal Education Institute be received as information.

Carried

Dalhousie Breakfast Program

(QUESTIONS FROM
TRUSTEES)
(Issue #20150611001)

J. Fisher said that Dalhousie School received \$25,000 from The Brick towards its breakfast program.

Roots of Empathy

(QUESTIONS FROM
TRUSTEES)
(Issue #20150612001)

In response to a question from a Trustee, the Assistant Superintendent, Student Services, said that the Roots of Empathy Program is operating in 17 schools in the Division.

Diversity in World Religions

(QUESTIONS FROM
TRUSTEES)
(Issue #20150612002)

D. Zuk asked if we have seen a document on diversity in world religions. The Superintendent said that we have not received this document.

Correspondence for Information Distribution List -

Resolution #BD20150611.1017

Moved By: Julie Fisher Second By: David Johnson

THAT the Correspondence for Information Distribution List dated

June 5, 2015, be received as information.

Carried

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 9:38 p.m.

Chair of the Board

Secretary-Treasurer