

Regular Meeting of the Board

Minutes

Thursday, November 22, 2018

Start Time:

Administration Office

181 Henlow Bay, Winnipeg, MB R3Y 1M7

Trustees:

J. Glenat
S. Billinghamurst
J. Fisher
D. Johnson
T. Johnson
K. McMillan
G. Melnyk
C. Nachtigall
D. Zuk

Administration:

T. Fransen - Superintendent
L. Boles - Assistant Superintendent, Divisional Support Services
E. Egan - Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources
I. Riffel - Assistant Superintendent, Program
S. Schmidt - Assistant Superintendent, Student Services
C. Stahlke - Secretary-Treasurer

1. ATTENDANCE

PRESENT:

Trustees:

J. Glenat (Chair), S. Billinghamurst, J. Fisher, K. McMillan, G. Melnyk, D. Johnson,
C. Nachtigall, D. Zuk.

Administration:

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

Regrets: T. Johnson

2. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m.

3. AGENDA APPROVAL

Resolution # BD20181122.01

Moved By D. Zuk

Seconded By K. McMillan

THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

Carried

4. BOARD MINUTES APPROVAL

Resolution # BD20181122.02

Moved By G. Melnyk

Seconded By K. McMillan

THAT the minutes of the Inaugural Meeting of the Board held on November 1, 2018, be approved as circulated.

Carried

Resolution # BD20181122.03

Moved By G. Melnyk

Seconded By K. McMillan

THAT the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board held on November 1, 2018, be approved as circulated.

Carried

5. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS, SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS AND OTHER REPORTS

Resolution # BD20181122.04

Moved By K. McMillan

Seconded By D. Johnson

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 Teacher Contracts Report dated November 22, 2018, be ratified and,

THAT the Teacher Contract Alterations as listed in the Contract Alterations Report dated November 22, 2018, be approved and,

THAT the Substitute Teacher Contracts as listed in the 2018-19 Substitute Teacher Contracts Report dated November 22, 2018, be ratified and,

THAT the Board accept, with regret, the Resignations as listed in the Resignations Report dated November 22, 2018.

Carried

6. DELEGATIONS

7. EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATIONS

7.1 CEDA Breaking Barriers

The Superintendent introduced T. Simms and A. Ollinger who made a presentation to the Board. They presented a video regarding breaking barriers and building bridges. T. Simms said that they are located in Merchants Hotel on Selkirk Avenue and have transformed it into a place of hope. He explained that CEDA is the Community Education Development Association. He outlined what they do and said that one of the things is to help develop youth voice. They try to help students be successful in school. He said that they try to make connections between the North End and other parts of the City. He said that they get their funding from the United Way. He said that they would like to explore involving other high schools in Pembina Trails and other school divisions. He answered questions from Trustees.

Resolution # BD20181122.05

Moved By D. Zuk

Seconded By K. McMillan

THAT the report - CEDA Breaking Barriers be received as information.

Carried

8. BUSINESS FROM PREVIOUS BOARD MEETINGS

9. BUSINESS FROM PREVIOUS COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE WHOLE

10. BY-LAWS AND/OR POLICIES

11. CORRESPONDENCE FOR DISCUSSION

11.1 Call for Workshop Proposals - MSBA Convention

The Superintendent said that SAT would be willing to prepare a presentation on SSL which was given previously in Ottawa and include Trustees as well.

11.2 Manitoba School Boards Association - Voting Ballots

The Board considered the correspondence from the MSBA and passed the following Resolution.

Resolution # BD20181122.06

Moved By J. Fisher

Seconded By K. McMillan

THAT Trustees D. Zuk and J. Fisher be authorized to receive the designated Pembina Trails voting ballots at the Manitoba School Boards Association General Meeting November 30, 2018.

Carried

12. STANDING AND SPECIAL/ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORTS

12.1 Buildings, Property and Transportation Committee

12.2 Communication and Community Relations Committee

12.3 Education Committee

12.4 Finance and Planning Committee

12.4.1 Application of Accumulated Surplus

The Secretary-Treasurer reported on the need for this recommendation to be approved to keep this project moving expeditiously. The Assistant Superintendent, Divisional Support Services, and the Superintendent responded to questions from Trustees.

Resolution # BD20181122.07

Moved By G. Melnyk

Seconded By K. McMillan

THAT an Application of Accumulated Surplus in the amount of \$451,000 to provide funding to the Fort Richmond Band Room addition and development of the Life Skills space be approved.

Carried

12.5 Human Resources and Policy Committee

12.6 Negotiations Committee

12.7 Pembina Trails School Division Educational Support Fund Inc.

12.7.1 Requests for Financial Assistance

Resolution # BD20181122.08

Moved By C. Nachtigall

Seconded By K. McMillan

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

1. Oak Park Hockey Team, \$500, Canadian Hockey Enterprises Tournament, Montreal, Quebec, November 29 - December 2, 2018.
2. Fort Richmond Debate Team, \$500, British National Parliamentary Debate Competition, Toronto, Ontario, November 29 - December 2, 2018.

Carried

12.8 Pembina Trails Voices

12.9 Council of Presidents

12.10 Boards/Association Council on Education (B.A.C.E)

13. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

13.1 Convention Award Program - Long Service Trustee Recognition

Resolution # BD20181122.09

Moved By G. Melnyk

Seconded By J. Fisher

THAT the Board submit the following names to the Manitoba School Boards Association in recognition of a Long Service Award as follows:

- Laureen Goodridge (20 years)
- David Johnson (16 years)
- Tim Johnson (12 years)
- Dianne Zuk (12 years)

Carried

13.2 Director of Learning and Information Technologies

The Superintendent reviewed his recommendation. He explained that the formerly appointed Director has decided to withdraw and that Jean St. Godard is the successful applicant.

Resolution # BD20181122.10

Moved By G. Melnyk

Seconded By C. Nachtigall

THAT the contract of employment dated November 22, 2018, between the Pembina Trails School Division and the Director of Learning and Information Technologies, be ratified.

Carried

14. NEW BUSINESS

14.1 2018 Election

Trustees shared what each had heard at the door during the 2018 Civic Election.

C. Nachtigall heard all positive things at the door but the community would like a better connection with the Trustees.

D. Johnson said that there is a positive view of the Division but there is a view that amalgamation will save money, and keep taxes in check which he feels is not accurate.

D. Zuk said that she never heard anything about taxes.

S. Billingham heard mostly good things and older voters mentioned taxes while younger voters mentioned literacy.

J. Fisher said that she had heard much about the Gay-Straight Alliance and Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity. Also Trustee recognition in the ward.

G. Melnyk said people wanted more communication, but mostly he heard positive comments.

K. McMillan said that the Gay-Straight Alliance was a major issue at the door.

J. Glenat said she heard questions on engagement and questions about what Trustees do, full day kindergarten, EAL supports, special needs issues, burn out of teachers who give so much of their time to the work, retribution if teacher does not do extra curricular activities.

The Superintendent said that there are procedures in place with respect to extracurricular activities. He said that the Division conducted a Thought Exchange survey where teachers responded in droves. In response to a question on how the Division ensures consistency in grading, the Superintendent said that there has been a strong correlation between PISA and PCAP results and what teachers are saying about their students on their report cards.

J. Glenat said that there are some transportation issues getting students to games at start time. She said she has also heard about support for Indigenous students. The Assistant Superintendent, Program, said that the new Scholar in Residence will be Kevin Lamoureux who will assist in these issues and the Indigenous Education plan will be highlighted in weeks to come.

15. CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION DISTRIBUTION LIST

Resolution # BD20181122.11

Moved By J. Fisher

Seconded By D. Johnson

THAT the Correspondence for Information Distribution List dated November 22, 2018, be received as information.

Carried

16. QUESTIONS FROM TRUSTEES

In response to a question from J. Fisher, the Superintendent said Vincent Massey Collegiate will making a mandolin for the raffle prize for the MSBA convention.

In response to a question from D. Zuk, the Assistant Superintendent, Divisional Support Services, said that the Divisional Policy on hazing is on the Monday

Human Resources and Policy Committee meeting. She said that hazing is taken very seriously in schools.

D. Zuk asked how to bring forth reports from Pemba Trails Voices et. al. This issue will be discussed at the next Governance Committee meeting.

Resolution # BD20181122.12

Moved By K. McMillan

Seconded By J. Fisher

THAT the Trustee Brochure be referred to the Communications and Community Relations Committee for consideration of posting and distribution to schools.

Carried

17. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE

18. REQUIREMENT FOR A COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE WHOLE

Resolution # BD20181122.13

Moved By J. Fisher

Seconded By K. McMillan

THAT the Board move into Committee of the Whole.

Carried

19. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

The Board reconvened at 10:40 p.m.

20. BUSINESS FROM PREVIOUS FINANCE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Resolution # BD20181122.14

Moved By G. Melnyk

Seconded By K. McMillan

THAT the Board approve the Resource-EA model supporting inclusive schools as a pilot in K-4 and K-5 schools in the 2019-20 Draft Budget, and

WHEREAS, the school division is a partner with Immigration Partnership Winnipeg (IPW) Council and other affiliated agencies that provide supports for newcomers to Canada, and

WHEREAS the school division convened a special meeting of all the partners on July 9, 2018, to seek innovative ways to provide greater support for our student and their refugee families who had experienced significant trauma, and

WHEREAS the school division has some limited space currently available at Ryerson School,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the school division waive costs associated with opening Ryerson School to this initiative on Saturdays between January 2019 and June 2020, and

THAT the Board approve, for the 2019/2020 school year, a half time Research Assistant Consultant position be established, and added in the Divisional Draft Salary Budget to manage the alignment of student learning data with all of the aforementioned organizations, assist in report development and direction setting, and provide professional learning for stakeholders, and

THAT the Board approve, for the 2019/20 Draft Budget, a total of \$150,000.00 Non-Salary Budget be established to support the purchase and operationalizing Compass for Success and Watson Education services, and

WHEREAS General Byng School meets the Board's criteria for full day Kindergarten,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the 2019/2020 Draft Budget include a provision for full day Kindergarten at General Byng School.

Carried

21. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 10:42 p.m.

Chair of Board

Secretary-Treasurer