

PEMBINA TRAILS SCHOOL DIVISION

Regular Meeting of the Board - October 11, 2018

Meeting Type : Board Meeting

Date : Thursday, October 11, 2018

Start time : 8:00 PM

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

Minutes

Attendance

PRESENT:

Trustees:

J. Fisher (Chair), S. Billingham, J. Glenat, L. Goodridge, K. McMillan, G. Melnyk, D. Johnson, T. Johnson, D. Zuk.

Administration:

L. Boles - Assistant Superintendent, Divisional Support Services,

I. Riffel - Assistant Superintendent, Program,

S. Schmidt - Assistant Superintendent, Student Services, (Acting Superintendent)

C. Stahlke - Secretary-Treasurer.

Regrets: E. Egan, T. Fransen

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 8:05 p.m.

AGENDA APPROVAL

Resolution #BD20181011.1001

Moved By: Gerry Melnyk Second By: Dianne Zuk

THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

Carried

Board Minutes Approval

Resolution #BD20181011.1002

Moved By: Tim Johnson Second By: David Johnson

THAT the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board held on September 27, 2018, be approved as circulated

Carried

Standing Committee Reports, Special Committee Reports and Other Reports

(STANDING COMMITTEE
REPORTS, SPECIAL
COMMITTEE REPORTS
AND OTHER REPORTS)
(Issue #20180925013)

It was generally agreed that the minutes of the August 28, 2018, meeting with day cares be shared with all day cares leasing space in Pembina Trails School Division.

Resolution #BD20181011.1003

Moved By: Jaime Glenat Second By: Kathleen McMillan

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 October 11, 2018, be ratified and,

THAT the Teacher Contract Alterations as listed in the Contract Alterations

Report dated October 11, 2018, be approved and,
THAT the Substitute Teacher Contracts as listed in the 2018-19 Substitute Teacher Contracts Report dated October 11, 2018, be ratified and,
THAT the Board accept, with regret, the Resignations as listed in the Resignations Report dated October 11, 2018.

Carried

**Winnipeg
Mandarin School**
(DELEGATIONS)
(Issue #20180925018)

M. Wu appeared before the Board to make a presentation with respect to the Winnipeg Mandarin School. He reviewed the history of their school which was formed in 2012 and is a non-profit school. He said that they expect to expand to 300 students over the next four years. He said that they are currently using the Fort Garry Mennonite Fellowship School. He said that the curriculum relates to students in kindergarten to Grade 10. He said that the students come from all of Winnipeg but more than 80% come from Pembina Trails. He said that the problem they face is that they do not have enough space where they are currently accommodated.

M. Wu said that the Winnipeg Mandarin School submitted a permit application about a month ago which application was denied. He said that they prefer to use a high school, ideally, Fort Richmond Collegiate or Vincent Massey Collegiate. He said that the Chinese population in South Winnipeg has grown substantially and they would like the public school to start a Chinese language program. They first applied to the Division for space in 2012. They are the only test centre for Mandarin in Manitoba. He said that their teachers are volunteers and it is a challenge to find qualified Mandarin teachers. He said that with as many students that come from Pembina Trails, it is time for the public system to open a Mandarin immersion program. He said that they would consider other schools than Fort Richmond Collegiate or Vincent Massey Collegiate, but would have to consult the parents.

He said that they are looking for 16 classrooms, operating from 9:00 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. occurring only on Saturday. He said that they currently have 20 teachers and they follow the public school calendars. They currently pay about \$7,000 for rent but the church is planning to raise that rent significantly and they must move.

He said that Chinese schools are in place in Grant Park, Daniel McIntyre, General Wolfe and Tec Voc. He said that they need the space commencing September 2019.

The Chair said that the Division would respond when adequate study has been given to this request.

**Budget Study
Meeting Dates**
(BUSINESS FROM

Resolution #BD20181011.1004

Moved By: David Johnson Second By: Kathleen McMillan
THAT the Board approve the Budget Study Meeting dates.

**Budget
Development
Timeline**

(BUSINESS FROM
PREVIOUS FINANCE
COMMITTEE OF THE
WHOLE)
(Issue #20180925002)

Resolution #BD20181011.1005

Moved By: David Johnson Second By: Kathleen McMillan
THAT the Board approve the Budget Development Timeline.

Carried

**Telephone
System**

(BUSINESS FROM
PREVIOUS FINANCE
COMMITTEE OF THE
WHOLE)
(Issue #20181011002)

It was noted that there is no application of the Accumulated Surplus that is required to fund this project. All the funding required for 2018/19 expenditures already exists within the Budget. It was noted that external support for the telephone system is ending at the end of December which is driving the timing of request now.

Resolution #BD20181011.1006

Moved By: David Johnson Second By: Kathleen McMillan
THAT the Microsoft/Thinktel-Skype for Business option be approved for the renewal and replacement of the Division telephone system and that the Board authorize the reallocation of up to \$100,000 within the IT Budget to provide a maximum amount of budgetary provision of \$567,000 for the non-salary expenditures of the telephone project during the 2018/19 Fiscal Year and that the Secretary-Treasurer be authorized to negotiate the appropriate contract(s) and bind the Division.

Carried

**School Resource
Officer Program -
Yearly Report
2017-18**

(ADMINISTRATIVE
REPORTS)
(Issue #20180928002)

The Acting Superintendent reviewed the School Resource Officer Program report for 2017-18. She said that the Division is pleased with the work of the School Resource Officers. The Board discussed the Knock and Talk project. The Acting Superintendent said that this is an initiative to build relationships and reduce truancy.

The Secretary-Treasurer said that the Division pays approximately \$80,000-\$90,000 per year and described the support from the Province and the City of Winnipeg. The acting Superintendent explained the benefits of this program.

Resolution #BD20181011.1007

Moved By: Gerry Melnyk Second By: Dianne Zuk
THAT the School Resource Officer Program Yearly Report for 2017-18 be received as information.

Carried

**PTLC PD
Conference**

(ADMINISTRATIVE
REPORTS)
(Issue #20181003001)

The Acting Superintendent spoke about the PTLC PD Conference held at Hecla Resort. She thanked those Trustees who were able to attend. She spoke about the 9 Block Model used to address issues. It was suggested that the results be shared with a broader group. L. Goodridge expressed her gratitude that the Trustees could participate and share in the development.

Resolution #BD20181011.1008

Moved By: Sheila Billinghamurst Second By: Jaime Glenat
THAT the report be received as information.

Carried

**Correspondence
for Information
Distribution List**

(CORRESPONDENCE
FOR INFORMATION
DISTRIBUTION LIST)
(Issue #20180925014)

Resolution #BD20181011.1009

Moved By: Tim Johnson Second By: David Johnson
THAT the MSBA Survey referenced #14 in the Correspondence for
Information dated October 3, 2018, be referred to SAT for review and
report to the Board as to a response.

Carried

Resolution #BD20181011.1010

Moved By: Tim Johnson Second By: Jaime Glenat
THAT the Correspondence for Information Distribution List dated October
11, 2018, be received as information.

Carried

**Questions from
Trustees**

(QUESTIONS FROM
TRUSTEES)
(Issue #20181010002)

It was generally agreed that the MSBA call for nominations will be placed
on the November 1, 2018, Regular Board Meeting.

**REQUIREMENT
FOR A
COMMITTEE
MEETING OF
THE WHOLE**

Resolution #BD20181011.1011

Moved By: Jaime Glenat Second By: Kathleen McMillan
THAT the Board move into Committee of the Whole.

Carried

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Chair of the Board

Secretary-Treasurer