

PEMBINA TRAILS SCHOOL DIVISION

Regular Meeting Of The Board September 25, 2014

Meeting Type : Board Meeting

Date : Thursday, September 25, 2014

Start time : 8:00 PM

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

MINUTES

ATTENDANCE

PRESENT:

Trustees:

D. Johnson (Chair), T. Johnson (Vice-Chair), S. Clayton, J. Field, J. Fisher, L. Goodridge, G. Melnyk, G. Watson, 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: Nil

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 8:10 p.m.

AGENDA APPROVAL

Resolution #BD20140925.1001

Moved By: Gerry Melnyk Second By: Tim Johnson

THAT the agenda be approved as circulated

CARRIED

MINUTES APPROVAL

Resolution #BD20140925.1002

Moved By: Dianne Zuk. Second By: Jacquie Field

THAT the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board held on
September 11, 2014, be approved as corrected.

CARRIED

Corrections to the Regular Meeting of the Board Minutes held on September 11, 2014:

Winnipeg Technical College, Page 4, corrected the word "visions" to
"vision". Added the word "said" to line 7.

School Resource Officer Program, Page 5, corrected "sue" to "Sue
Clayton".

Royal School, Page 6, removed the word "at".

Dieppe School, Page 6, added comments by D. Zuk.

**STANDING
COMMITTEE
REPORTS, SPECIAL
COMMITTEE
REPORTS AND
OTHER REPORTS**

(STANDING COMMITTEE
REPORTS, SPECIAL
COMMITTEE REPORTS AND
OTHER REPORTS)
(Issue #20140725003)

G. Melnyk said that if Trustees ask a question in a public forum then the Trustee should be named. The Secretary-Treasurer will be as careful as possible in this respect.

**Corrections to the Committee Meeting of the Whole Minutes held
on September 11, 2014:**

Ecole Dieppe, Page 3, added the word "would" before "undertake".

**Corrections to the Finance Committee Meeting of the Whole
Minutes held on September 11, 2014:**

Directions for Budget Preparation, Page 1, deleted superfluous word "his".

**Corrections to the Finance and Planning Committee Meeting held
on September 15, 2014:**

Advancing of Expenditures for Public Address System Renewal, Page 2, corrected "advance" to "advanced".

Resolution #BD20140925.1003

Moved By: Tim Johnson Second By: Jacquie Field

THAT the Standing Committee Reports, Special Committee Reports and Other Report be received as information and,
THAT the Teacher Contracts (Term) as listed in the Teacher Contracts Report dated September 25, 2014, be ratified and,
THAT the Substitute Teacher Contracts as listed in the 2014-15 Substitute Teacher Contracts Report dated September 25, 2014, be ratified and,
THAT the Disbursements List for the period June 1 through June 30, 2014, in the amount of \$6,792,130.21 be approved and,
THAT the Disbursements List for the period July 1 through July 31, 2014, in the amount of \$5,238,338.97 be approved and,
THAT the Disbursements List for the period August 1 through August 30, 2014 in the amount of \$3,837,194.40 be approved.

CARRIED

**BOARD MEETING
SCHEDULED FOR
OCTOBER 23, 2014**

(BUSINESS FROM PREVIOUS
COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE
WHOLE)
(Issue #20140916001)

S. Clayton said that we may need to have a meeting on another date and asked how much notice would be required to be given. T. Johnson said that another meeting may be required in light of the decision of the City Appeal Committee. G. Watson suggested that the decision regarding the October 23, 2014, Board meeting should be deferred to the Regular Meeting of the Board on October 9, 2014.

Resolution #BD20140925.1011

Moved By: Dianne Zuk Second By: Julie Fisher

THAT the motion to cancel the Regular Meeting of the Board on October 23, 2014, be tabled and referred to the October 9, 2014, Regular Meeting of the Board.

CARRIED

BY-LAW NO. 90

(BY-LAWS AND/OR POLICIES)
(Issue #20140909011)

Resolution #BD20140925.1004

Moved By: Gerry Melnyk Second By: Tim Johnson

WHEREAS, it is deemed necessary and expedient to raise by loan the sum of 2,523,400.00 dollars on the credit of the said school division for the purpose of: Fort Richmond Collegiate Multipurpose Room and Physical Education Addition, R.H.G. Bonnycastle School Eight Classroom Addition, Dalhousie School Steam Heating System Replacement, Laidlaw School Steam Heating System and Unit Ventilator Replacement, Ecole St. Avila Gymnasium Addition.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 90, being a by-law of the Board of Trustees of the Pembina Trails School Division, for the purpose of borrowing the sum of 2,523,400.00 dollars and of issuing debentures therefor be given second and third reading and passed.

CARRIED

DIVISIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS PROJECT

(EDUCATION COMMITTEE)
(Issue #20140918001)

The Assistant Superintendent, Program, stated that C. Cross, Consultant - Visual Arts, and D. Wall, Consultant - Educational Technology, developed a proposal for a project based learning model with respect to human rights. They created a video presentation which indicated that all Division students could participate in this project. The plan is that every student would each create an individual panel, with a unique message, which would then be assembled with other student panels, it is anticipated that 13,000 panels will be completed. The tiles would be displayed at Investors Group Field. Details of the project were presented.

The Assistant Superintendent, Program, said that the tentative date for the event is May 22, 2015. He said that part of the plan is to seek corporate donations and allow businesses to participate.

D. Zuk said that connecting with the Blue Bomber volunteers may prove to be helpful. The Assistant Superintendent, Program, said that it would be good to have student representation present but this event may not be appropriate for younger students.

G. Watson said that the budget could not cover mass transportation costs of students to the event. The Superintendent said that the number of students to be present at the stadium has not been decided.

Resolution #BD20140925.1005

Moved By: Gail Watson Second By: Jacquie Field

THAT the Board approve a one-time additional expense of \$10,000 in support of the Divisional Human Rights Project.

CARRIED

**BUDGET
DEVELOPMENT
TIMELINE 2015-16**

(FINANCE AND PLANNING
COMMITTEE)

(Issue #20140915013)

Resolution #BD20140925.1006

Moved By: Gerry Melnyk Second By: Tim Johnson

THAT the Budget Development Timeline for the 2015-16 Budget be approved.

CARRIED

**BUDGET STUDY
MEETINGS 2015-16**

(FINANCE AND PLANNING
COMMITTEE)

(Issue #20140915012)

Resolution #BD20140925.1007

Moved By: Gerry Melnyk Second By: Tim Johnson

THAT the Board adopt the 2015-16 Budget Study Meeting Schedule as presented.

CARRIED

**CLASS SIZE
REPORT**

(ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS)

(Issue #20140917005)

The Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources and Policy, presented the report on Class Sizes. She highlighted selected school situations and responded to questions from Trustees. She said that there is a decision to be made with respect to whether an additional Grade 3 or Grade 3/4 Class is needed at Whyte Ridge School.

Resolution #BD20140925.1008

Moved By: Sue Clayton Second By: Laureen Goodridge

THAT the Class Size Report be received as information.

CARRIED

**QUESTIONS FROM
TRUSTEES**

(QUESTIONS FROM
TRUSTEES)

(Issue #20140922004)

Trustee S. Clayton asked the Administration to report what transpired at the City Council Appeal Committee Meeting held on September 25, 2014. The Superintendent reported that the Appeal Committee asked the City Planner if he had a report he could share with the Division. The City Planner said that the City Administration was not prepared to support selling the land at Ecole RHG Bonnycastle School to the Division and that they would need more information from the Division, including the City Planning Matrix, to support a lease of the land. The Superintendent said that the Appeal Committee passed a motion to deny our appeals.

The Superintendent said that communication was circulated to the community and posted on the Divisional website with respect to the Appeal Committee decision. He reported that he heard from the Deputy Minister who expressed his disappointment at the City's decision. The Assistant Superintendent, Divisional Support Services, said that he has received one phone call from a resident. The Superintendent said that the Minister has publicly expressed his disappointment as well. D. Zuk

said that the Councillors publicly expressed concern over the safety of students notwithstanding that the Division wants to construct a bus lane.

In response to a question from L. Goodridge, the Superintendent said that a public forum was held on September 18, 2014, where the Division Administration shared three potential scenarios and solicited feedback from the community members present. The Administration had said, at that meeting, that we would communicate the Appeal Committee decision to the community, which we have done, and the new Board would need to decide if another public meeting is required.

J. Fisher reported that the Bonnycastle Parent Advisory Council said that they feel that the school needs a bus lane. J. Fisher said that there is now a need for a bus lane and asked if this could be done. The Assistant Superintendent, Divisional Support Services, said that the Division needs to have the cooperation of the City to purchase or lease the land before a bus lane could be constructed.

The Assistant Superintendent, Divisional Support Services, described what the City Planning Matrix includes, which is essentially background information, our plans and information relating to the impact on the site.

CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION DISTRIBUTION LIST

(CORRESPONDENCE FOR
INFORMATION DISTRIBUTION
LIST)

(Issue #20140723003)

J. Field said that the Manitoba School Boards Association e-bulletin dated September 25, 2014, refers to the Ken Spencer Award which recognizes efforts aimed at student engagement. J. Field will forward that information to the Assistant Superintendent, Program.

D. Zuk asked about the Bus Driver and Bullying Prevention. The Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources and Policy, said that there is training session next week.

J. Fisher stated that M. Westra received a commendation from the University of Manitoba Alumni Association, which will be referred to the Communications and Community Relations Committee.

Resolution #BD20140925.1009

Moved By: Jacquie Field Second By: Gerry Melnyk

THAT the Correspondence for Information Distribution List dated September 19, 2014, be received as information.

CARRIED

REQUIREMENT FOR A COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE WHOLE

Resolution #BD20140925.1010

Moved By: Tim Johnson Second By: Gail Watson

THAT the Board move into Committee of the Whole.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Chair of the Board

Secretary-Treasurer