

ST. JAMES-ASSINIBOIA SCHOOL DIVISION

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the St. James-Assiniboia School Division Board
Held in the Board Room of the
Aidan Conklin Building, 2574 Portage Avenue
Tuesday, April 22, 2014

Meeting No. 08-14

PRESENT:

Chair:	Craig McGregor
Vice Chair	Cheryl Smukowich

Trustees:	Bruce Chegus
	Ed Hume
	Craig Johnson
	Scott Johnston
	Jennifer Lawson
	Sandy Lethbridge
	Bryan Metcalfe

Ron Weston, Chief Superintendent
Mike Friesen, Secretary-Treasurer
Randy Calvert, Manager Facilities and Maintenance
Greg Mutter, Assistant Superintendent Personnel and Administration
Tanis Pshebniski, Assistant Superintendent Personnel and Human Resources
Mari-Jean Nachtigall, Senior Executive Assistant

CALL TO ORDER / ATTENDANCE – 7:30 p.m.

Attendance - recorded above.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

08-01-14 MOVED: Trustee Bryan Metcalfe:
 “That the minutes of the Board Meeting of March 25, 2014 be adopted.”

CARRIED

REPORT ON EDUCATION

Strathmillan School – Working Towards Transformational: Presented by Principal Sue Marlett and classroom teachers Monika Chichosz, Rachel Moffatt, Jodi Rae and Catlin Rose along with some of their students.

The group provided a report on the sustainability initiatives taking place at Strathmillan School and how they are working towards achieving Transformational Level through Manitoba Education’s Eco-Globe sustainability

program. Transformational status is characterized by a school-wide culture transformed by an ongoing commitment to the principles and practices of sustainability for a minimum of two years.

HEARING OF DELEGATIONS

No Delegations registered

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Meeting held April 15, 2014 (Appendix A)

Committee Chair – Jennifer Lawson, Trustee

1. Attendance – for information
2. Approval of Agenda – noted
3. St. James-Assiniboia Teachers' Association – MTS Negotiations

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| 08-02-14 | <p>MOVED: Trustee Jennifer Lawson:
 "That the meeting dates for Negotiations with the St. James-Assiniboia Teachers' Association be received as information."</p> | CARRIED |
| | <p>4. Consultation with Parent Organizations – Administrative Staffing</p> | |
| 08-03-14 | <p>MOVED: Trustee Jennifer Lawson:
 "That the feedback from parent council organizations regarding administrative staffing be received as information."</p> | CARRIED |
| | <p>5. Casual Rates 2014 and 2015</p> | |
| 08-04-14 | <p>MOVED: Trustee Jennifer Lawson:
 "That the changes to the hourly rates for casual non-teaching staff, effective July 1, 2014 and July 1, 2015 be approved as recommended."</p> | CARRIED |
| | <p>6. Date for Administrative Interview</p> | |
| 08-05-14 | <p>MOVED: Trustee Jennifer Lawson:

 "That the Senior Administration recommendation for a school- based administrative appointment be referred to the in-camera Committee of the Whole session at the Board meeting of April 22, 2014 for consideration and final approval."</p> | CARRIED |

7. Arbitration Update

08-06-14

MOVED: Trustee Jennifer Lawson:

“That the update regarding the arbitration hearing held on April 8-9, 2014 be received as information.”

CARRIED

CONCLUDED: Report of the Personnel Committee

FILED

REPORT OF THE CHIEF SUPERINTENDENT

Ron Weston, Chief Superintendent

Report 08-14 (Appendix B)

FOR ACTION

1. Summer Board Meeting

08-07-14

MOVED: Trustee Cheryl Smukowich:

“That the Board schedule the summer Board Meeting on Tuesday, August 26, 2014.”

CARRIED

FOR INFORMATION

1. Board Actions and Referrals
2. MTS Early Notification of retirement and Resignation Gratuities
3. Report on Music Festival Activities 2014
4. Visual Arts Exhibition – April 29-30, 2014
5. Changes to Westwood Concert Dates

CONCLUDED: Report of the Superintendent No. 08-14

FILED

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY-TREASURER

Mike Friesen, Secretary-Treasurer

Report 08-14 (Appendix C)

FOR ACTION

1. Public Schools Finance Board Correspondence
 - a) Phoenix School – Two Classroom Addition
 - b) Phoenix School – Two Classroom Addition furnishings Grant
 - c) Robert Browning School – Boiler Replacement Additional Support
 - d) Robert Browning School – Renovations, Smaller Class Size Initiative
 - e) Brooklands School – Grooming Room Additional Support
2. Financial Statement – March 31, 2014

08-08-14 **MOVED:** Trustee Scott Johnston:
"That action items 1 and 2 (above) be referred to the Finance/Facilities Committee."
CARRIED

FOR INFORMATION

1. Cheque Registers:
 - a) March 31, 2014 (INP Payroll Clearing)
 - b) March 31, 2014
 - c) April 8, 2014 (INP Payroll Clearing)
 - d) April 8, 2014

2. Permit Report – April 16, 2014
3. Fund Raising Report – Linwood School
4. Tender Award Summary – April 1, 2014

CONCLUDED: Report of the Secretary-Treasurer No. 08-14
FILED

CORRESPONDENCE

For Action

1. Floyd Martens, President Manitoba School Boards Association, re: MSBA governance review (letter of March 26, 2014)

RECESS TO COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – IN PUBLIC 8:25 p.m.

08-09-14 **MOVED:** Trustee Cheryl Smukowich:
"That the Board recess to Committee of the Whole in public to consider the MSBA Governance review correspondence."
CARRIED

REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - IN PUBLIC 8:40 p.m.

08-10-14 **MOVED:** Trustee Cheryl Smukowich:
"That the Board send a letter to Floyd Martens, President of MSBA, in response to the questions raised as discussed in Committee of the Whole in Public."
CARRIED

2. The Rev. Canon Murray Still, invitation to the 2014 opening service of historic St. James Anglican Church

Board Chair Craig McGregor will attend the June 22, 2014 event.

For Information

1. Manitoba School Boards Association (MSBA):

- a. MSBA Manual of Policies and Beliefs – updated April 2014
 - b. E-Bulletin April 16, 2014
 - c. Floyd Martens, letter to Hon. James Allum, Minister of Education and Advanced Learning re: resolutions passed at the 2014 MSBA AGM and requesting a written response
 - d. Floyd Martens, letter to Hon. Brian Pallister, Leader of the PC Manitoba Caucus, requesting a meeting to discuss educational issues
 - e. Floyd Martens, letter to Hon. Jon Gerrard, MLA, requesting a meeting to discuss educational issues
2. Manitoba Association of School Superintendents, presenting “Leading Deeper Learning with Simon Breakspear”, August 18, 2014
 3. E. Ploszay, Chairperson Board of Trustees, letter to J. Young, Professor, Faculty of Education, U. of M. and B. O’Leary, Superintendent, Seven Oaks School Division re: School Taxes Critical to Local Control
 4. Hon. Kevin Chief, Minister of Children and Youth Opportunities, advising that a grant of \$73,000.00 has been provided to the Division for the School Resource Officer (SRO) Program

08-11-14 MOVED: Trustee Cheryl Smukowich:
 “That correspondence be sent to Hon. Kevin Chief, Minister of Children and Youth Opportunities, over the signature of the Chair of the Board, in appreciation for the financial support provided from the provincial government for the School Resource Officer partnership with the Winnipeg Police Service and Manitoba Crime Prevention Branch.”

CARRIED

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Second Reading By-Law 248-14

08-12-14 MOVED: Trustee Cheryl Smukowich:
 “That the Board give second reading of Borrowing By-Law 248-14, a By-Law to allow for the borrowing of monies to meet current expenses for July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015.”

CARRIED

Third/Final Reading By-Law 248-14

08-13-14 MOVED: Trustee Cheryl Smukowich:
 “That the Board give third/final reading of Borrowing By-Law 248-14, a By-Law to allow for the borrowing of monies to meet current expenses for July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015.”

CARRIED

QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no questions from the public.

NEW BUSINESS

There were no items of New Business.

RECESS TO COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE IN CAMERA – 8:50 p.m.

08-14-14 MOVED: Trustee Craig Johnson:

“That the Board recess to Committee of the Whole in Camera.”

CARRIED

REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE IN CAMERA – 8:55 p.m.

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFFING

08-15-14 MOVED: Trustee Jennifer Lawson:

“That Ms Cheri Banks is appointed as the Teaching Vice Principal to École Golden Gate Middle School effective September 2, 2014.”

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Trustee Craig Johnson, the regular Board meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Craig McGregor
Chair of the Board

Ron Weston
Chief Superintendent