

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 8, 2014

Meeting No. 07-14

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
Carrie Melville, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer
Brett Lough, Assistant Superintendent Administration, Planning and Research
Tanis Pshebniski, Assistant Superintendent Personnel and Human Resources
Mari-Jean Nachtigall, Senior Executive Assistant

Absent with regrets: Mike Friesen, Secretary-Treasurer

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

Attendance - recorded above.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

07-01-14 MOVED: Trustee Craig Johnson:
“That the minutes of the Board Meeting of March 25, 2014 be adopted.”

CARRIED

REPORT ON EDUCATION

Bruce Middle School – Project Recycled Runway

Adam Lister, Vice Principal, with teacher Tina Nowasad and students presented a report on their unique Visual Arts project “Wear it Out: Recycled Runway Fashion.” The students work in groups to design and create original fashions from recycled materials and promote greater awareness of material waste while meeting the learning outcomes of Visual Arts programming.

HEARING OF DELEGATIONS

No Delegations registered

COMMITTEE REPORTS

No Committee meetings were held during the Spring Break.

REPORT OF THE CHIEF SUPERINTENDENT

Ron Weston, Chief Superintendent
Report 07-14 (Appendix A)

FOR ACTION

- 1. Graduate Survey 2013

07-02-14

MOVED: Trustee Sandy Lethbridge:
“That the report on the 2013 Graduate Survey be referred to the Education Committee for review and that it be made available to senior high schools for review and development of appropriate action plans.”

CARRIED

- 2. Divisional Choirs Spring Concert – May 15, 2014

The Board Chair will bring greetings at the Divisional Choirs Spring Concert on Thursday, May 15, 2014.

- 3. Administrative Staffing – Greg Mutter, Notice of Retirement

07-03-14

MOVED: Trustee Jennifer Lawson:
“That the Board accept with regret the notice of retirement from Greg Mutter, Assistant Superintendent Personnel and Human Resources, effective July 31, 2014, and extend congratulations and heartfelt appreciation for his years of dedicated service as an educator to the students and community of St. James-Assiniboia.”

CARRIED

07-04-14

MOVED: Trustee Jennifer Lawson:
“That the above referenced matter be referred to Committee of the Whole in camera.”

CARRIED

FOR INFORMATION

- 1. Board Actions and Referrals
- 2. New Pedagogies for Deep Learning Initiative – Mobilizing Innovation
- 3. St. James-Assiniboia Scholarship Foundation – May 8, 2014

CONCLUDED: Report of the Superintendent No. 07-14

FILED

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY-TREASURER

Mike Friesen, Secretary-Treasurer

Report 07-14 (Appendix B)

Report presented by Carrie Melville, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer

FOR ACTION

1. City of Winnipeg Correspondence
 - a) 2014 Mill Rates for the Education Support Levy and Special Levy
 - b) Council Minutes – March 26, 2014
 - c) By-Law No. 37/2014
 - d) By-Law No. 38/2014

07-05-14 MOVED: Trustee Scott Johnston:
“That items 1a – 1d (above) be referred to the Finance/Facilities Committee.”

CARRIED

FOR INFORMATION

1. Cheque Registers:
 - a) March 25, 2014 (INP Payroll Clearing)
 - b) March 25, 2014
2. Permit Report – April 3, 2014

CONCLUDED: Report of the Secretary-Treasurer No. 07-14

FILED

CORRESPONDENCE

For Action

1. Floyd Martens, President Manitoba School Boards Association, re: MSBA governance review
2. 20K4 Renovations at École Bannatyne School
 - a) Letter from parent re: renovations
 - b) Letter to parents from Principal

07-06-14 MOVED: Trustee Scott Johnston:
“That the correspondence 2(a) and 2(b) regarding renovations be referred to the Finance/Facilities Committee for consideration.”

CARRIED

For Information

1. Manitoba School Boards Association (MSBA):

- a. Letter to Garden Valley School Division from Floyd Martens, MSBA President, re: timeline and implementation of a contribution rate change for the pension plan
 - b. MERN Spring Forum “Pedagogy of Place” Friday, April 11, 2014
 - c. School Board Candidate Information Sessions, in person and webinar
 - d. E-Bulletin April 2, 2014
 - e. Record of Proceedings March 2014 50th Annual Convention
 - f. Letter to Hon. Kevin Chief re: Metro Winnipeg Safety Protocol
 - g. Invitation to Regional Meeting – Region 5 & 6, May
2. Ontario Public School Boards’ Association, submission to the Standing Committee on Procedure and House Affairs, Ottawa re: Bill C-23 Fair Elections Act

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

First Reading By-Law 248-14

07-07-14

MOVED: Trustee Cheryl Smukowich:
“That the Board give first 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

Board Spring PD Workshop 2014 – For information

Governance Committee Meeting – Proposed Date – For information

RECESS TO COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE IN CAMERA – 8:35 p.m.

07-08-14

MOVED: Trustee Craig Johnson:

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

CARRIED

REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE IN CAMERA – 9:05 p.m.

Declaration of indirect conflict of interest

Trustees Bruce Chegus, Scott Johnston, Craig McGregor and Cheryl Smukowich declared an indirect conflict of interest and were not present for discussion in Committee of the Whole or the vote in public session on the following matter. (PSA, Sec. 38 (1))

MANTE COLLECTIVE AGREEMENT - July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2016

07-09-14 MOVED: Trustee Jennifer Lawson:

“That the Board approve the changes to the collective agreement for the period July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2016 between the St. James-Assiniboia School Division and the Manitoba Association of Non-Teaching Employees; and further, That the division signing officers be authorized to execute the agreement and letters of understanding.”

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Trustee Sandy Lethbridge, the regular Board meeting adjourned at 9:09 p.m.

Craig McGregor
Chair of the Board

Ron Weston
Chief Superintendent