

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, August 31, 2010

#85172

Meeting No. 14-10

PRESENT:

Chair of the Board:

Bruce Chegus

Vice Chair:

Peter Carney

Trustees:

Bruce Alexander

Linda Archer

Roxane Delbridge

Craig McGregor

Rockford McKay

Sandra Paterson-Greene

Cheryl Smukowich

Ron Weston, Chief Superintendent

Mike Friesen, Secretary-Treasurer

Brett Lough, Assistant Superintendent Administration, Planning and Research

Tanis Pshebniski, Assistant Superintendent Program and Curriculum

Mari-Jean Nachtigall, Senior Executive Assistant

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

Attendance recorded above.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

14-01-10

MOVED: Trustee Sandra Paterson-Greene:

“That the minutes of the Board Meeting of June 22, 2010 be adopted.”

CARRIED

REPORT ON EDUCATION

Nil Report

HEARING OF DELEGATIONS

No Delegations Registered

COMMITTEE REPORTS

No Committee Meetings were scheduled over the summer break.

REPORT OF THE CHIEF SUPERINTENDENT

Ron Weston, Chief Superintendent
Report 13-10 (Appendix "A")

FOR INFORMATION

1. Manitoba Education French Language Revitalization Program grants
2. Manitoba Education Discontinuation of Public H1N1 Reporting
3. Innovative Grants – 2009/10 Project Reports
4. School List 2010/11
5. Educational Conferences 2010/2011
6. Parent Centre at Buchanan School – opening September 10, 2010
7. Bill 219 – Workplace Safety and Health Amendment Act amendments
8. PD Opportunity – MASS "Early childhood education and care – What works best?"
9. Wireless Device Safety – Health Canada publication

CONCLUDED: Report of the Superintendent No. 13-10

FILED

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY-TREASURER

Mike Friesen, Secretary-Treasurer
Report 13-10 (Appendix B)

FOR ACTION

- 14-02-10 1. FRAME Report 2008/2009 Actual
MOVED: Trustee Craig McGregor:
"That the FRAME Report – 2008/09 Actual be referred to the Finance/Facilities Committee."

CARRIED

2. Public Schools Finance Board Correspondence

- 14-03-10 MOVED: Trustee Craig McGregor:
"That the correspondence from the Public Schools Finance Board regarding Capital Reserve Policy, New Acquisition of School Property and Revised Disposition of School Property Policy be referred to the Finance/Facilities Committee."

CARRIED

3. Financial Statement

- 14-04-10 MOVED: Trustee Craig McGregor:
"That the monthly financial statement for the period ended July 31, 2010 be referred to the Finance/Facilities Committee."

CARRIED

FOR INFORMATION

1. Cheque Registers – June 25 – August 12, 2010
2. Permit Report – August 26, 2010
3. Fund Raising Reports – various schools
4. Tender Award Summary – June 25, 2010

CONCLUDED: Report of the Secretary-Treasurer No. 13-10

FILED

CORRESPONDENCE**For Action**

1. Manitoba Physical Education Teachers' Association (MPETA), invitation to Board Chair to attend opening ceremonies on October 22, 2010 for the MPETA conference at SAG "Get in the Game – Active Ideas for Healthy Outcomes"

The Chair of the Board will attend.

2. Jennifer Howard, Minister of Labour and Immigration, re: solvency requirements for public sector pension plans

- 14-05-10 MOVED: Trustee Peter Carney:
"That correspondence from the Minister of Labour and Immigration be referred to the Retirement Plan Committee for consideration."

CARRIED

3. Nancy Allan, Minister of Education, re: 2009 Tax Incentive Grant

- 14-06-10 MOVED: Trustee Peter Carney:
"That correspondence from the Minister of Education be referred to the Finance/Facilities Committee for consideration."

CARRIED

4. Associate Director, MSBA:
 - a. *Take 5* Election brochure – copies to be available from MSBA
 - b. *Take 5* Election publication - one-page flyer

14-07-10 MOVED: Trustee Peter Carney:

“That the Division make the MSBA document “*Take 5*” available on the school division website.”

CARRIED

5. Schools Finance Branch, Notice re: Amendment to Section 70, Public Schools Act, re: tender limit regulation

For Information

1. Manitoba School Boards Association (MSBA):
 - a. Statement of the Winnipeg Roundtable to the Council of the Federation, August 4, 2010 “The Provincial and Territorial Road to Poverty Eradication
 - b. CECD Brief “The Science of Early Child Development” June 2010
 - c. MSBA News clippings June 7 - 28, 2010
 - d. MSBA News clippings July 2010
 - e. eBulletin June 30, 2010
 - f. Associate Director, MSBA, re: web conference candidate information session
2. N. Gould, Chair, MTS Education Finance Standing Committee, invitation to trustees to attend a seminar offered by MTS “How the Black Box works – Making the most of the Funding of Schools Program”
3. R. Kachur, City Clerk, City of Winnipeg, re: Our Winnipeg Plan, first reading of By-Law 67/2010 re: Complete Communities Direction Strategy
4. M. Lemoine, Senior Election Official, St. James-Assiniboia School Division/City of Winnipeg, re: provision of Candidate’s Guide and Nomination Papers at school division offices
5. Grant Stefanson, President, Logberg Heimskringla, Icelandic Community Newspaper re: board’s donation to honour the late Dennis Stefanson

Letters of Thanks

- Letters from graduating students re: School Board Awards
- Letters of appreciation re: Annual Silver Circle/Retirement Dinner
- Letter of Thanks from Grade 5 students at Deloraine School for use of Bruce Middle School

INFORMATION CORRESPONDENCE:

FILED

UNFINISHED BUSINESS/BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MEETING

First Reading: Organizational By-Law 212-2010

- 14-07-10 MOVED: Trustee Peter Carney:
"That Organizational by-law 212-2010, a by-law to regulate the proceedings of the Board of Trustees of the St. James-Assiniboia School Division and the Committees thereof, be given first reading."

CARRIED

QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no questions from the public.

NEW BUSINESS

Meeting with MLA's – for information

Personnel Committee Meeting – for information

Timeline for Chief Superintendent Evaluation – for information

Notice of Motion – By-Law 215-10 Linwood School Religious Instruction

- 14-08-10 Trustee Peter Carney gave notice:
"Notice is hereby given that By-Law 215-10, a by-law to provide for religious instruction at Linwood School for the 2010-11 school year shall be given first reading at the September 14, 2010 school board meeting."

Revisions to the Census of Canada

- 14-09-10 MOVED: Trustee Bruce Alexander:
"That the Board advise the Manitoba School Boards Association of its concerns regarding the consequences to data driven decision making resulting from revisions to the Census of Canada currently under consideration by the federal government;
and further,
That MSBA consider giving advice on the referenced matter to the Canadian School Boards Association to assist them in their role of advocacy on federal issues;
and further
That correspondence be signed by the Chair of the Board."

CARRIED

RECESS TO COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE IN CAMERA – 8:01 p.m.

- 14-10-10 MOVED: Trustee Bruce Alexander:
"That the Board recess to Committee of the Whole in Camera."

CARRIED

REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE IN CAMERA – 9:20 p.m.

- 14-11-10 MOVED: Trustee Craig McGregor:
"That the Secretary-Treasurer forward partnership agreements and permit authorization forms to the division solicitor for review of training, management and personnel concerns."

CARRIED

- 14-12-10 MOVED: Trustee Craig McGregor:
"That the school division request authorization from the Public Schools Finance Board to establish a Capital Reserve without a stated capital purpose from the proceeds of the sale of 1970 Ness."

CARRIED

- 14-13-10 MOVED: Trustee Craig McGregor:
"That a letter be sent over the signature of the Chair of the Board in response to the letter from a concerned parent as discussed in Committee of the Whole in camera."

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Trustee Sandra Paterson-Greene the meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Bruce Chegus,
Chair of the Board

Ron Weston
Chief Superintendent