

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 13, 2010

#82381

Meeting No. 08-10

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

Greg Mutter, Assistant Superintendent Personnel and Human Resources

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

08-01-10

MOVED: Trustee Sandra Paterson-Greene:

“That the minutes of the Board Meeting of March 23, 2010 be adopted.”

CARRIED

REPORT ON EDUCATION

George Waters Middle School - Classroom Profiling in Middle School

Presented by: Carole Spencer, Principal and Robert Orr, Janet Penner and Leah Jones, teachers

HEARING OF DELEGATIONS

St. James Assiniboia 55+ Centre - Connie Newman, President, re: Mensheds' request for use of Hedges Middle School

Ms Newman along with members of her group presented a request for use of the woodshops at Hedges Middle School to offer the Mensheds program.

CARRIED

08-02-10 MOVED: Trustee Rockford McKay:
"That the rules of procedure be suspended to allow the delegation additional time to complete their presentation.

CARRIED

08-03-10 MOVED: Trustee Bruce Alexander:
"That the delegation presented by the St. James-Assiniboia 55+ Centre be referred to the Finance/Facilities Committee for review and recommendation to the Board."

CARRIED

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE/FACILITIES COMMITTEE

Meeting held April 6, 2010 (Appendix A)

Presented by: Trustee Craig McGregor

1. Call to Order/Attendance – noted
2. Approval of agenda – noted
3. Fibre Optic Tender

08-04-10 MOVED: Trustee Craig McGregor:

"That correspondence be sent to the Public Schools Finance Branch requesting authorization to spend the undesignated land reserve on the construction of a Dark Fibre Optic Network linking all of the schools in St. James-Assiniboia with the exception of Brooklands and Phoenix School; And further,

That upon receipt of Public Schools Finance Branch approval that the request for proposal for the construction of a Dark Fibre Optic Network be awarded to the lowest acceptable bid from Rohl Geomatics for a cost not to exceed \$1,170,000 plus applicable taxes;

And further,

That the total cost of the Dark Fibre Network including network switches, connection to Phoenix and Brooklands, Fibre monitoring and management, and annual support personnel be approved for a Year 1 cost not to exceed \$1,513,884."

CARRIED

08-05-10 4. PSFB Correspondence
MOVED: Trustee Craig McGregor
"That the correspondence from Public Schools Finance Board re: St. James Collegiate Steam Heating System Replacement Phase II be received as

information.”

CARRIED

- 08-06-10 5. City of Winnipeg Portioned Assessment
MOVED: Trustee Craig McGregor
“That the City of Winnipeg Portioned Assessment as at March 2, 2010 be received as information.”

CARRIED

- 08-07-10 6. Request for Financial Support – Westwood Collegiate Student
MOVED: Trustee Craig McGregor:
“That while we wish the Westwood Student a safe and successful trip, the request for financial support be declined.”

CARRIED

- 08-08-10 7. Letters to Minister of Education re: Portioning Rates on Properties
MOVED: Trustee Craig McGregor
“That the correspondence from Brandon School Division and Seven Oaks School Division be received as information.”

CARRIED

- 08-09-10 8. Update – Discovery Children’s Centre Lease
MOVED: Trustee Craig McGregor
“That the cost projection and lease agreement re: Discovery Children’s Centre be received as information.”

CARRIED

- 08-10-10 MOVED: Trustee Craig McGregor
“That the information presented by the Administration with respect to capital cost projections for the leased space at Britannia be included in the proposed moratorium discussion with the Minister of Education. “

CARRIED

- 08-11-10 9. Staff Survey – February 2010
MOVED: Trustee Craig McGregor
“That the Staff Survey – February 2010 be received as information.”

CARRIED

- 08-12-10 10. Assiniboine Park Children’s Playground
MOVED: Trustee Craig McGregor
“That Administration draft a letter for the signature of the chair to the Assiniboine Park Conservancy Committee advising of the School Board’s desire to address the requirements for playground equipment in the park that is readily accessible to special needs children; and further, That Administration review policy and consider barrier free access for any new playgrounds.”

CARRIED

- 08-13-10 11. Mensheds – Woodhop
MOVED: Trustee Craig McGregor

"That the participation questionnaire submitted by Mensheds be received as information."

CARRIED

CONCLUDED: Report of the Finance/Facilities Committee

FILED

GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

Meeting held April 5, 2010 (Appendix B)

Trustee Bruce Alexander, Chair

1. Call to Order/Attendance – noted
2. Approval of agenda – noted
3. Policy BDE Board Committees

08-14-10

MOVED: Trustee Bruce Alexander:

"That Policy BDE – Board Committees (attached as Appendix B-1) be approved for inclusion in the division policy manual as revised."

CARRIED

4. Board Self Evaluation

08-15-10

MOVED: Trustee Bruce Alexander:

"That the Board Self Evaluation regulation AG-R (attached as Appendix B-2) with revisions as discussed be received as information."

CARRIED

5. Review of Section B Policies

08-16-10

MOVED: Trustee Bruce Alexander:

"That the Board approve Policy BABA Duties of the Chair of the Board (Appendix B-3) for inclusion in the division policy manual as revised; and further,

That the Board approve Policy BBABB Duties of the Vice Chair of the Board (Appendix B-4) for inclusion in the division policy manual as revised; and further,

That the Board approve Policy BBBA Duties of Board Members (Appendix B-5) for inclusion in the division policy manual as revised."

CARRIED

6. Board Organizational by-Law
For information

CONCLUDED: Report of the Governance Committee

FILED

REPORT OF THE CHIEF SUPERINTENDENT

Ron Weston, Chief Superintendent

Report 06-10 (Appendix "C")

FOR ACTION

- 08-17-10 1. Non-Resident Entrance and Exit Survey Results
MOVED: Trustee Sandra Paterson-Greene:
"That the Non-Resident Entrance and Exit Survey Results be referred to the Marketing committee for review and recommendation."

CARRIED

2. St. James Regional Heritage Fair – May 6, 2010
The Board Chair will attend.

- 08-18-10 3. Divisional Spring Concert
MOVED: Trustee Bruce Alexander:
"That Trustee Rockford McKay represent the Board at the Divisional Spring Concert on May 13, 2010."

CARRIED

FOR INFORMATION

1. Board Actions and Referrals
2. MTS Early Notification of Retirement/Resignation Gratuities – for in camera consideration
3. Manitoba Education – Engaging Middle Years Students in Learning
4. Manitoba Education – Student Specific Planning
5. Manitoba Education Working Together: Support Students in Transition
6. Divisional Science Fair – April 14, 2010
7. John Taylor presents "High School Musical"
8. The Linwood Louvre – April 28, 2010
9. Congratulations to Athlone, Bannatyne and Heritage – 15 consecutive years of participation in the School Milk Program

Suspensions – to be reported In Camera

Personnel – to be reported In Camera

CONCLUDED: Report of the Superintendent No. 07-10

FILED

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY-TREASURER

Mike Friesen, Secretary-Treasurer

Report 07-10 (Appendix E)

FOR ACTION

1. Metro School Division Special Levy Analysis

- 08-19-10 MOVED: Trustee Craig McGregor
"That the metro school divisions special levy analysis be referred to the Finance/Facilities Committee."

CARRIED
- 08-20-10 2. 2010 Mill Rates
MOVED: Trustee Craig McGregor
"That the correspondence from the City of Winnipeg re: 2010 mill rates be referred to the Finance/Facilities Committee for consideration."

CARRIED
- 08-21-10 3. Strathview Trust – Purchase Proposal
MOVED: Trustee Craig McGregor
"That the proposal from Strathview Trust be referred to the Finance/Facilities Committee for consideration."

CARRIED
- 08-22-10 4. Historical Museum
MOVED: Trustee Craig McGregor
"That request for financial support from the St. James-Assiniboia Historical Museum be referred to Committee of the Whole in Camera for consideration."

CARRIED

FOR INFORMATION

1. Cheque Registers – March 12-30, 2010
2. Permit Report – April 8, 2010

CONCLUDED: Report of the Secretary-Treasurer No. 07-10

FILED

CORRESPONDENCE

For Action

- 08-23-10 1. St. James-Assiniboia Teachers' Association, providing notice of intent to open negotiations for the collective agreement expiring June 30, 2010
MOVED: Trustee Cheryl Smukowich:
"That the correspondence from the Division Teachers' Association be referred to the Personnel Committee for consideration."

CARRIED
2. Literacy Partners of Manitoba, invitation to a community consultation event

3. Planning Committee, Westview Dance Club 40th Anniversary Gala, inviting the Board to send a congratulatory message regarding the anniversary

08-24-10 MOVED: Trustee Sandra Paterson-Greene:
"That correspondence be sent to the Westview Dance Club congratulating them on their 40th Anniversary over the signature of the Chair of the Board."

CARRIED

4. Director, Schools' Finance Branch, re: capital reserve account
5. MASS/MSBA Workshop *Recruiting and Hiring the Right Superintendent and Creating a Better Future through Evaluation*, May 7, 2010

For Information

1. Manitoba School Boards Association (MSBA):
 - a) News Clippings March 18 to April 7, 2010
 - b) Executive Highlights, March 17, 2010
 - c) E-Bulletins - March 24, April 7, 2010
 - d) 2010 Convention Proceedings
 - e) Letter from Lakeshore S.D. to Hon. Nancy Allan re: Access Copyright
 - f) Salary Bulletin No. 05-2010 Brandon School Division and Brandon Teachers' Association
2. Manitoba Chambers of Commerce - notice of Manitoba Leaders Series breakfast meetings, April 13, 20 and 27 at 7:30 a.m.
3. Instruction, Curriculum and Assessment Branch, providing a copy of the School Leaders' Guide to Early Years Curricula (on file with Sr. Executive Assistant)

Letter of Appreciation: Acknowledgement of a memorial donation

INFORMATION CORRESPONDENCE:

FILED

UNFINISHED BUSINESS/BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MEETING

There were no items of Unfinished Business/Business Arising

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 – 9:20 p.m.

08-25-10

MOVED: Trustee Sandra Paterson-Greene:
“That the Board recess to Committee of the Whole in Camera.”

CARRIED

REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE IN CAMERA – 10:00 p.m.

There were no board motions arising from Committee of the Whole in camera.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Trustee Sandra Paterson-Greene the meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Chair of the Board

Chief Superintendent