

Beautiful Plains School Division

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

November 7, 2023

Present: Chairperson R. Manns, Vice Chairperson L. Biehn, and Trustees
K. Guillas, G. Hunter, S. Kohinski, J. McNeily, R. Toews

Also Present: K. Reynolds, S. Bayes

Regrets: J. Young

BPTA: A. Hanke (Regular meeting only)

In Camera

1. Superintendent's Confidential Report
 - a) New Vocational School Planning Update
 - b) Student Suspensions
 - c) Board Reflection
 - d) Maternity/Parental Leave Request

2. Secretary-Treasurer's Confidential Report
 - a) Vocational School Property Update
 - b) Capital Requests
 - c) Staffing Update
 - d) Non-Teaching Update

The Business Meeting was called to order at 6:34 p.m.

1. The agenda was approved as circulated.
2. The minutes of the October 17, 2023 Regular Board meeting were approved as circulated.
3. The accounts and payroll deposits for the month of September 2023 were approved.
4. Superintendent's Business Report
 - a) 2023/24 Substitute Teachers: Claire Brister, Robert Ferguson, Shaelyn Leflar
 - b) The request for maternity/parental leave from January 7, 2024 to July 7, 2025 as outlined in the Superintendent's Confidential Report item d) of this date was approved.

5. Secretary-Treasurer's Report

- a) The Divisions' purchase of land for the new Grade 9-12 vocational high school as outlined in the Confidential Report of this date was approved.
- b) The September 2023 financial reports were approved.

6. New Business & Correspondence for Action

- a) Revised Policy B.E.C. "General Regulations for Board Meetings" was read a first time. Procedures regarding board delegations were circulated.

7. Other Reports

- a) MSBA e-news October 25, 2023 was circulated.
- b) MSBA Memo – CSBA Report for Discussion at MSBA Fall Meetings - Report commissioned by CSBA on "Local Voice in Decision-Making at the School System Level Across Canada" was provided. In total 24 broad recommendations were provided in the report. The Lead Investigator and Lead Research Associate are the keynote speakers at MSBA Fall General meetings.
- c) Improving Livelihood and Social Wellbeing Project – Opportunity for people to become a member on Community Advisory Board. This project is a national study, which is funded federally.
- d) MSBA – Fall General Regional Meetings – Agenda was circulated.
- e) MSBA Memo – Requests for Action Slated for Archive – Actions to be archived were presented.
- f) MSBA – Executive Highlights – September 11, 2023 – Student citizenship award presentation will no longer be held in conjunction with the MSBA Annual General Meeting.
- g) MSBA – Executive Highlights – October 16, 2023 - Manitoba will be hosting CSBA Congress in 2025. The executive have formed a planning committee should board members wish to join.

8. Superintendent's Information and Correspondence

- a) BPTA Supper Meeting Follow-up – Indigenous Education – Thank-you to the BPTA for presenting. Board discussed the importance of continuing conversations.
- b) Colony Elders Meeting Agenda – Draft agenda was presented.
- c) Principals Agenda – Tuesday, October 24, 2023 Meeting - Agenda is provided as information for the board to provide awareness of the conversations happening with school leaders.

9. Secretary-Treasurer's Information and Correspondence

- a) Bus Fleet Information – Summary fleet information provided outlined a divisional fleet of 31 buses ranging in age. Approximately 40% of the fleet is older than 15 years.
- b) Operation and Finance Committee Meeting – Pre-property tour – A committee meeting will be held November 21, 2023 prior to the property tours which are scheduled for November 29, 2023.
- c) Daycare Playground repairs - Carberry Community Child Care will complete some playground repairs which fall outside Policy JMA.

10. Open Forum

- a) Board Quote was approved for circulation.
- b) Staff appreciation – The board agreed to participate in the Tim Hortons Holiday Cookie Campaign with proceeds going to Beautiful Plains Community Foundation.
- c) Coming Events were reviewed.

Resolutions:

- 1. That the agenda be approved as circulated. *Carried*
- 2. That the minutes of the October 17, 2023 Regular Board Meeting be approved as circulated. *Carried*
- 3. That the September 30, 2023 expenditures be approved for a total of \$1,984,235.21.

Accounts Payable Cheques:

#47203 - #47210;
#47242 - #47244;
#47281 - #47356;
#47363 - #47405;
#47414 - #47447;
#47461 - #47498;
#47455 - #47460 \$ 935,458.72

Payroll Direct Deposits: #96035 - #96625 \$ 1,048,776.49 *Carried*

- 4. That the request for maternity/parental leave from January 7, 2024 to July 7, 2025 as outlined in the Superintendent's Confidential Report item d) of this date be approved. *Carried*
- 5. That the Division purchase land for the new Grade 9 – 12 vocational high school as outlined in the Confidential Report of this date be approved. *Carried*

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6. That the September 2023 financial reports be approved.

Carried

Meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

The next Regular Board Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 21, 2023 at 4:30 p.m.

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