

# Beautiful Plains School Division

## REGULAR BOARD MEETING

November 21, 2023

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

Also Present: J. Young, K. Reynolds, S. Bayes

Regrets:

BPTA: L. Keller (Regular meeting only)

### ***In Camera***

1. Superintendent's Confidential Report
  - a) New Vocational School Planning Update
  - b) Board Reflection
  - c) Provincial Bargaining
  - d) Staffing & Growth
  
2. Secretary-Treasurer's Confidential Report
  - a) Staffing 2023-24
  - b) Non-Teaching update
  - c) Staffing Update

The Business Meeting was called to order at 6:11 p.m.

1. The agenda was approved as circulated.
2. The minutes of the November 7, 2023 Regular Board meeting were approved as circulated.
3. Revised Policy B.E.C. –“General Regulation for Board Meetings” was approved which included the addition of procedures for delegations.
4. Superintendent's Business Report
  - a) Resignation from Monica Penner, educational assistant at Fairway Colony School was accepted effective November 16, 2023.
  - b) Jenna-Mae Colley was employed as a teacher on a full time limited term teacher general contract effective January 8, 2024 to June 28, 2024 and assigned to Hazel M Kellington School.

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- c) Craig Murray was employed as a teacher on a full time limited term teacher general contract effective January 8, 2024 to June 28, 2024 and assigned to Neepawa Collegiate.
- d) The out of division school of choice request from Cherry Viernes who resides in Southwest Horizon School Division for her daughter Fletcher Zxailey Viernes to attend Grade 7 at Neepawa Middle School effective November 15, 2023 was approved.
- e) The out of division school of choice request from Cherry Viernes who resides in Southwest Horizon School Division for her son Dwight Hans Viernes to attend Grade 11 at Neepawa Collegiate effective November 20, 2023 was approved.

#### 5. Secretary-Treasurer's Report

- a) The offer from Tom and Alanna Madsen to purchase the 2015 Chevrolet Silverado divisional truck in the amount of \$25,500 was accepted. The proceeds will be directed to the vehicle reserve.
- b) Resignation from Randy Parker, full time Custodian at Carberry Collegiate was accepted effective November 28, 2023.
- c) Randy Parker was employed as a term Custodian at Carberry School effective November 29, 2023.
- d) Larry Nickel was employed as a full time permanent Custodian at Carberry Schools effective November 28, 2023.

#### 6. Other Reports

- a) MSBA e-news November 8, 2023 was circulated. Diversity, Equity and inclusion video included in the e-news was viewed. Webinar recordings are available for previous PD sessions if trustees are interested. Ministerial mandate to the new Education Minister was also noted which includes establishing a universally accessible nutrition program, providing stable & predictable funding and hiring more teachers and EAs.

#### L. Biehn & R. Toews left the meeting .

- b) MHSAA – Fee Increase for 2024-2025 – The annual fee to Manitoba High School Athletics Association started in 2013 and has not changed since that time. There is a proposed increase for the 2024 – 2025 school year.
- c) MSBA – 2023 Fall General & Regional Meetings - Fall meeting package was provided to trustees. The first day is PD focused with the second day more business focused.

#### 7. Superintendent's Information and Correspondence

- a) Manitoba Excellence in Education Awards – Present this to the board every year as information. The five nomination categories and the nomination process were reviewed.

- b) Provincial Student Information System Update - Deputy Minister Brian O’Leary sent a letter indicating the work to establish a provincial student information system is no longer going forward. The department of Education and Early Childhood Learning will refocus their efforts to work with school divisions to get the required data.

8. Secretary-Treasurer’s Information and Correspondence

- a) Daycare Centers Cost Calculations – On an annual basis the rental calculation is completed per the division agreement with the daycare centers in divisional buildings. Calculations were presented.
- b) Extra Curricular Trip Summary – Extra Trips for the last 10 years were presented. Number of trips, budget, costs and impacts on students and staff were discussed.
- c) Diesel fuel tank at Brookdale – Due to insurance requirements changes are required. Options are being considered at this time.
- d) January 2, 2024 Regular Board Meeting is cancelled.

9. Open Forum

- a) Board Quote was approved for circulation.
- b) PD Committee report – K. Guillas provided a report on the professional development planning for the 2024 – 25 school year.
- c) Coming Events were reviewed.
- d) Staff Appreciation - Smile Cookie deliveries to schools were completed. Trustees discussed options for future staff appreciation efforts.

Resolutions:

- 1. That the agenda be approved as circulated. *Carried*
- 2. That the minutes of the November 7, 2023 Regular Board Meeting be approved as circulated. *Carried*
- 3. That the following policy be approved as presented this date:  
B.E.C. – “General Regulations for Board Meetings” *Carried*
- 4. That Jenna-Mae Colley be employed as a teacher on a full time limited term teacher general contract effective January 8, 2024 to June 28, 2024 and assigned to Hazel M Kellington School. *Carried*
- 5. That Craig Murray be employed as a teacher on a full time limited term teacher general contract effective January 8, 2024 to June 28, 2024 and assigned to Neepawa Collegiate. *Carried*

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6. That the out of division school of choice request from Cherry Viernes who resides in Southwest Horizon School Division for her daughter Fletcher Zxailey Viernes to attend Grade 7 at Neepawa Middle School effective November 15, 2023 be approved. *Carried*
7. That the out of division school of choice request from Cherry Viernes who resides in Southwest Horizon School Division for her son Dwight Hans Viernes to attend Grade 11 at Neepawa Collegiate effective November 20, 2023 be approved. *Carried*
8. That the offer from Tom & Alanna Madsen to purchase the 2015 Chevrolet Silverado divisional truck in the amount of \$25,500 be accepted. *Carried*
9. That Randy Parker be employed as a term Custodian at Carberry Schools effective November 29, 2023. *Carried*
10. That Larry Nickel be employed as a full time permanent Custodian at Carberry Schools effective November 28, 2023. *Carried*

Meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

The next Regular Board Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 5, 2023 at 4:30 p.m.

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