

Beautiful Plains School Division

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

April 2, 2024

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: R. Forsman (Regular Meeting Only)

In Camera

1. Superintendent's Confidential Report
 - a) New Vocational School Planning Update
 - b) Student Suspension
 - c) Request for Maternity Leave
 - d) Request for Maternity Leave
 - e) Board Reflection
 - f) Staff Leave Request
 - g) Extra Curricular Trips
2. Secretary-Treasurer's Confidential Report
 - a) Non-Teaching Wage Scales
 - b) Budget Milestones
 - c) Former Student
3. Extra Curricular Trips

The Business Meeting was called to order at 5:25 p.m.

1. The agenda was approved as circulated.
2. The minutes of the March 19, 2024 Regular Board meeting were approved as amended.
3. The accounts and payroll deposits for the month of February 2024 were approved.
4. Superintendent's Business Report
 - a) Blair McIntosh was employed as a teacher on a full time teacher general contract effective September 3, 2024 and assigned to R.J. Waugh School.

- b) Cheryl Snaith was employed as a teacher on a full time teacher general contract effective September 3, 2024 and assigned to Carberry Collegiate.
- c) Osian Edwards was employed as a teacher on a full time teacher general contract effective September 3, 2024 and assigned to Itinerant Phys-Ed at Hutterian Colony schools.
- d) Shaelyn Leflar was employed as a teacher on a part-time limited term teacher general contract effective September 3, 2024 to June 27, 2025 and assigned to Fairway Colony School.
- e) Resignation from Alyssa Alambra, Teacher at Neepawa Collegiate was accepted effective June 28, 2024.
- f) Resignation from Michael Adams, Teacher at Neepawa Collegiate was accepted effective June 28, 2024.
- g) The request for maternity/parental leave from August 19, 2024 to September 2, 2025 as outlined in the Superintendent's Confidential Report item c) of this date was approved.
- h) The request for maternity/parental leave from June 16, 2024 to September 2, 2025 as outlined in the Superintendent's Confidential Report item d) of this date was approved.
- i) The within division school of choice request from Paul and Vera Rogers for their daughter Caitlin Elizabeth Rogers to attend Grade 7 at Neepawa Middle School instead of J.M. Young School effective September 3, 2024 was approved.
- j) The request for a one year leave of absence without pay, above and beyond the provisions provided in the Collective Agreement as outlined in the Superintendent's Confidential Report item f) of this date was approved.

5. Secretary-Treasurer's Business Report

- a) The February 29, 2024 financial reports were approved.
- b) Olga Adam was employed as a regular bus driver effective April 1, 2024.
- c) The Division will purchase one 71 passenger wheelchair bus through the 2024 Provincial Tender process at a cost of \$180,024.⁰⁰ plus taxes.
- d) The Board agreed to accept the offer to purchase the CNC Plasma Cutter.

6. Delegation

- a) Ryan McLaughlin presented to the board a request to consider increasing the amount of private vehicle usage for extra curricular trips. The board asked clarifying questions and will discuss at the next board meeting.

7. Other Reports

- a) MSBA – e-news March 20, 2024 was circulated.

- b) MSBA Convention update from Trustees – Five trustees were able to attend convention and shared the takeaways from the development sessions and keynote speaker. The open forum approach to ask questions of the Minister of Education and Early Childhood Learning Nello Altomare was greatly appreciated.

8. Superintendent's Information and Correspondence

- a) Letter from Education and Early Childhood Learning – Bill 21 - This bill would expand to include children living with a responsible adult (not only a parent) are able to attend their neighbourhood school in the division where they reside. If this bill is passed, it would come into force once it receives royal assent. This could be as early as summer.
- b) Letter from Dan Mazier regarding Carbon Tax was circulated.
- c) Staff Recognition Evening 2024- Board of Trustees confirmed the recognition evening will be held in person.
- d) 2024-2025 Beautiful Plains School Division calendar – Finalized calendar was circulated with the start date of September 3, 2024 and end date of June 27, 2025 totalling 193 days.
- e) Colony Elder Meeting draft agenda - was circulated. No additional items were added from the Board.

9. Secretary-Treasurer's Information and Correspondence

- a) Non-Teaching Pension Plan Changes – Board of Pension Trustees have made the decision to move the non-teaching pension plan to a new administrator effective April 1, 2024. Information on this change has been provided to all staff impacted.
- b) MSBA Convention follow-up - Resolution presented at the MSBA Convention pertaining to property taxes on school property were reviewed. Tax invoices for the division were reviewed with the resolution in mind.

10. Open Forum

- a) Board Quote was approved for circulation.
- b) Coming Events were reviewed.
- c) Thank-you to Gary Salmon and his students for building raffle donation for the MSBA Annual Convention.

The Board moved back In Camera

Resolutions:

- 1. That the agenda be approved as circulated. *Carried*
- 2. That the minutes of the March 19, 2024 Regular Board Meeting be approved as amended. *Carried*

3. That the February 29, 2024 expenditures be approved for a total of \$2,255,065.99.

Accounts Payable Cheques:

#48481 - #48519;
 #48531 - #48621;
 #48622 VOID;
 #48623 - #48634;
 #48635 - #48638 VOID
 #48639 - #48642;
 #48644 - #48749

\$ 1,158,156.86

Payroll Direct Deposits: #99319 - #99996 \$ 1,096,909.13 *Carried*

4. That Blair McIntosh be employed as a teacher on a full time teacher general contract effective September 3, 2024 and assigned to R.J. Waugh School. *Carried*
5. That Cheryl Snaith be employed as a teacher on a full time teacher general contract effective September 3, 2024 and assigned to Carberry Collegiate. *Carried*
6. That Osian Edwards be employed as a teacher on a full time teacher general contract effective September 3, 2024 and assigned to Itinerant Phys-Ed at Hutterian Colony schools. *Carried*
7. That Shaelyn Leflar be employed as a teacher on a part-time limited term teacher general contract effective September 3, 2024 to June 27, 2025 and assigned to Fairway Colony School. *Carried*
8. That the request for maternity/parental leave from August 19, 2024 to September 2, 2025 as outlined in the Superintendent's Confidential Report item c) of this date be approved. *Carried*
9. That the request for maternity/parental leave from June 16, 2024 to September 2, 2025 as outlined in the Superintendent's Confidential Report item d) of this date be approved. *Carried*
10. That the within division school of choice request from Paul and Vera Rogers for their daughter Caitlin Elizabeth Rogers to attend Grade 7 at Neepawa Middle School instead of J.M. Young School effective September 3, 2024 be approved. *Carried*
11. That the request for a one year leave of absence without pay, above and beyond the provisions provided in the Collective Agreement as outlined in the Superintendent's Confidential Report item f) of this date be approved. *Carried*
12. That the February 29, 2024 financial reports be approved. *Carried*
13. That Olga Adam be employed as a regular bus driver effective April 1, 2024. *Carried*
14. That the Division purchase one 71 passenger wheelchair school bus through the 2024 Provincial Tender process at a cost of \$180,024.00 plus taxes. *Carried*

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15. That the board agrees to accept the offer to purchase the CNC Plasma Cutter. *Carried*
16. That the board move back in-camera. *Carried*

Meeting adjourned at 6:38 p.m.

The next Regular Board Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 16, 2024 at 4:30 p.m.

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