

Beautiful Plains School Division

Regular Board Meeting

October 2, 2018

Present: Chairperson J. McNeily, Vice Chairperson R. Manns and Trustees G. Hunter, K. Guillas, L. Biehn, W. Menzies, R. Kulbacki

Also Present: J. Young, and S. Bayes

Regrets: K. Reynolds

In Camera

1. Superintendent's Confidential Report
 - a) FIPPA Request
 - b) Enrolment Summary/Staffing
 - c) Suspension
2. Secretary Treasurer's Confidential Report
 - a) Bus Reserve
 - b) Election Briefing

The Business Meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m.

1. The agenda was approved as circulated.
2. The minutes of the September 18th, 2018 Regular Board Meeting were approved as circulated.
3. The accounts and payroll deposits for the month of August 2018 were approved.
4. Superintendent's Business Report
 - a) 2018/19 Substitute Teachers: Melanie Burnett
 - b) The annual request from Westman Youth Choir for a donation of \$250.00 from the Division was approved.
 - c) Out of Division School of Choice request from Kathryn Gros, who resides in Pine Creek School Division, for James Joseph Lindsay-Nepinak to attend Grade 1 at R.J. Waugh and for Malacai Stuart Roy Nepinak to attend grade 5 at Carberry Collegiate effective September 5, 2018 was approved.
 - d) The out of country, overnight student trip request from Glenboro/Carberry/Baldur High School Hockey team to attend a Tournament in Rapid City, South Dakota on November 15-18, 2018 was approved.

5. Secretary-Treasurer's Business Report

- a) 2017/18 Financial Statements were reviewed and approved. As agreed upon in the September 18th, 2018 regular board meeting, revenue in excess of expenses from 2017/18 operations was allocated to the Bus Reserve and the NACI/Division Office Site Reserve after the accumulated Provincial maximum was reached (4.0% of Operating Expenses). Expenditures less than budget resulted from not being staffed to budget level and lower utility costs.

6. Delegation

- a) Candace Turchinski from Meyers Norris Penny LLP was in attendance and gave a presentation to the Board of Trustees and Senior Administrators. An unqualified clear audit opinion was provided. Provincial revenue declined from 69% to 65.5% over the last fiscal year, Net Capital Assets will increase over the coming year due to the Middle School Addition and the format changes to next year's audit report are a few items Candace noted.

7. Other Reports

- a) MSBA – Executive Highlights were circulated
- b) Response to MSBA resolutions from Minister of Education was reviewed. Minister Goertzen confirmed school boards and education organizations will be provided the opportunity to provide input on the review of the K-12 education system. He further confirmed that The Public Schools' Finance Board is following provincial accounting policies regarding GST on capital projects. Minister Goertzen will bring forward the warning lights for school zones request to the Minister of infrastructure.
- c) CSBA letter to Honourable Bill Morneau to lobby to restore 50% non-taxable allowance for school trustee indemnities was circulated.
- d) MSBA article – "Informed Public" emphasizing the significance of trustee elections was circulated.
- e) Letter from Red River Valley School Division to MSBA regarding MSBA fees and surplus was circulated.

8. Superintendent's Information and Correspondence

- a) Divisional P.D. update – PD Committee has chosen the topic of indigenous people/land for the Fall of 2019.
- b) Provincial Program Supports Hylife Food expansion article was circulated. Through Tax Increment Financing (TIF), \$9.5 Million will be given back to Hylife Foods by holding property taxes at the pre-expansion level over a period of 22 years. The aim of TIF is to encourage more growth, employment and opportunities to remain in our local economy.
- c) Michele Borba summaries were circulated. Most comments focussed on being visible, modeling the behaviour you want to see, connecting with kids and staff and being positive.

9. Secretary-Treasurer's Information and Correspondence

- a) 2017/18 Extra Curricular Trips – Trends over the past 10 years were reviewed.
- b) Trustee Election update – Voting by Sealed Envelope commences October 3rd to 21st. Advanced Poll will be October 17th at the Municipality of North-Cypress Langford and Town of Carberry Office from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Election date is October 24th with voting between 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Polls will be located in Carberry and possibly Wellwood. The moving poll will be at Carberry Hospital/Care home from 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. and at Brookdale School from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Currently recruiting election workers.

- c) Facility Update – Construction is approximately 6 weeks behind schedule primarily due to concrete work. Original concrete trade has been released with a new trade in place effective October 1st. Adjusted schedule continues to have completion date of August 2019. Finishes have all been presented and decided upon. No further information has been received from the Town of Neepawa regarding parking on the East side of Neepawa Collegiate.

10. Open Forum

- a) Board Quote was reviewed and approved for circulation.
- b) Education matters – Updated articles have been sent to local papers for printing.
- c) Beautiful Plains School Division pictures in the local papers were referenced.

Resolutions:

- 1. That the agenda be approved as circulated. *Carried*

- 2. That the minutes of the September 18, 2018 Regular Board Meeting be approved as circulated. *Carried*

- 3. That the August 31, 2018 expenditures be approved for a total of \$1,330,625.03
Accounts Payable Cheques:
#33146 - #33148; #33164; #33171- #33319;
#33323 - #33332; #33337 - #33358 \$ 638,406.88

Payroll Direct Deposits: #61288 - #61626 \$ 692,218.15 *Carried*

- 4. That the Division support the Westman Youth Choir with a financial donation of \$250.00. *Carried*

- 5. That the out of division school of choice request from Kathryn Gros, who resides in Pine Creek School Division, for James Joseph Lindsay-Nepinak to attend Grade 1 at R.J. Waugh and for Malacai Stuart Roy Nepinak to attend grade 5 at Carberry Collegiate effective September 5, 2018 be approved. *Carried*

- 6. That the out of province/country overnight trip activity request, namely the Glenboro/Carberry/Baldur high school Hockey team tournament in Rapid City, South Dakota on November 15-18, 2018 be approved. *Carried*

- 7. That the auditor reports from MNP LLP to the Board of Trustees and the 2017/18 Audited Financial Statements and Notes to the Financial Statements be approved as presented. *Carried*

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

The next Regular Board Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 16, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

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