

# Beautiful Plains School Division

## Regular Board Meeting

October 16, 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, K. Reynolds and S. Bayes

### ***In Camera***

1. Superintendent's Confidential Report
  - a) Suspension update
  - b) Provincial Exam Summaries
  - c) Staffing Changes
  - d) Maternity/Parental Leave request
  - e) Maternity/Parental Leave request
  - f) Public Budget Survey Consults Around the Province
  - g) Southwest Horizon School Division Communication
2. Secretary Treasurer's Confidential Report
  - a) Leave Request
  - b) Election Briefing
  - c) MSBA Memo
  - d) MSBA Memo

The Business Meeting was called to order at 7:45 p.m.

1. The agenda was approved as circulated.
2. The minutes of the October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018 Regular Board Meeting were approved as circulated.
3. Superintendent's Business Report
  - a) 2018/19 Substitute Teachers: Ashlee Plett
  - b) The request for maternity and parental leave as outlined in the Superintendent's Confidential Report Item d) was approved.
  - c) The request for maternity and parental leave as outlined in the Superintendent's Confidential Report Item e) was approved.

-It was noted that maternity leave requests are done in camera to be respectful of our staff.
4. Secretary-Treasurer's Business Report
  - a) Lenny Noriega was employed as a custodian for a 10 month term effective October 24<sup>th</sup> and assigned to Hazel M. Kellington School.

## 5. Other Reports

- a) MSBA – Survey with suggested responses regarding treaty and territorial lands acknowledgements, self-funded capital projects and average and oldest age of division-owned buildings were agreed upon.
- b) MSBA Memo – Notification of Minimum Wage Increase was circulated. This will have very minimal impact on the Division.
- c) MSBA Memo – Trustee PD/Meetings/New Trustee Orientation – Trustees will consider attending PD sessions and region 1 meeting being held November 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup>.
- d) MSBA – Call for Nominations and Resolutions 2019 package was circulated.
- e) MSBA – E-News was circulated.
- f) MSBA – Provincial Executive Highlights Oct 2018 was circulated.
- g) Memo from MSBA regarding the additional changes to the Federal EI Parental Sharing Benefit was Circulated.
- h) Manitoba Community Newspapers Association letter to Organizations regarding Bill 8 was circulated. Bill 8 removes the requirement for publishing government notices in newspapers. There are 13 different provincial acts that would be affected, one being The Public Schools Act.

## 6. Superintendent's Information and Correspondence

- a) Colony Elders meeting invitation for November 26<sup>th</sup>, 2018 was circulated.
- b) Principals Meeting Agenda from October 11, 2018 was circulated. One main topic discussed at the Principal's meeting were mindset and what impact this has in times of change.
- c) Storm Procedures were provided to the board as an awareness of the process.
- d) Robotics Program – Both Carberry Collegiate and Neepawa Collegiate have their Robotics Program offered this semester and have invited trustees into classrooms to see how it operates.

## 7. Secretary-Treasurer's Information and Correspondence

- a) Bus operating costs for 2017/18 were reviewed. Repair costs, fuel costs and fuel efficiency were discussed.
- b) Bus cameras – Student safety during bus pick-up/drop off due to vehicles not yielding or stopping according to bus lights has been discussed recently. Concerns have been addressed by communicating with local RCMP, creating public awareness and investigating requirements from Pupil Transportation in regards to cameras on buses. Discussed seatbelt usage on school buses.
- c) Budz N Bloom request to utilize space at Hazel M. Kellington or the new middle years' addition for a before and after school program was considered. Board will discuss at our next regular board meeting on November 6<sup>th</sup>.

8. Open Forum

- a) Board Quote with the topic of “value of education” was approved.
- b) October 19th – Due to changes in our parking lot on October 19th, there will be no power at Division Office. Schools will have no network access during this time. The Division Office will be closed this day.
- c) Trustee Election – Advanced Poll is October 17th in Carberry at the Town of Carberry and Municipality of North Cypress-Langford office. During election day, October 24th, polls will be located in Wellwood and Carberry. Election results will be provided to candidates after 8:00 pm that day.
- d) The Elks in Carberry expressed an interest in partnering with schools to perform retina scans for early detection of ocular cancer. R. Manns to follow up to get more information.
- e) Education Matters Articles - K. Guillas will write follow-up articles on Michele Borba to be Tweeted out and placed on our website. Videos of the Michele Borba Parent Session will be distributed to each school.
- f) Thank – you to board – J Young thanked the board for their time and input as a School Board Trustee.

Resolutions:

- 1. That the agenda be approved as circulated. *Carried*
- 2. That the minutes of the October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018 Regular Board Meeting be approved as circulated. *Carried*
- 3. That the request for maternity/parental leave from March 18, 2019 to September 1, 2020 as outlined in the Superintendent’s Confidential Report item d) of this date be approved. *Carried*
- 4. That the request for maternity/parental leave from January 7, 2019 to January 6, 2020 as outlined in the Superintendent’s Confidential Report item e) of this date be approved. *Carried*
- 5. That Lenny Noriega be employed as a custodian for a 10 month term effective October 24<sup>th</sup>, 2018 and be assigned to Hazel M. Kellington School. *Carried*

Meeting adjourned at 9:16 p.m.

The next Regular Board Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

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