

# Beautiful Plains School Division

## Regular Board Meeting

September 15, 2020

Present: Chairperson R. Manns Vice Chairperson G. Hunter and Trustees K. Guillas, J. McNeily,  
L. Biehn, D. Major

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

### ***In Camera***

1. Superintendent's Confidential Report
  - a) Cost Sharing Agreement for Riverbend Colony
  - b) Pandemic Update
  - c) Medical Accommodations
  - d) Superintendent work-plan
  - e) David Yeo Retirement
  - f) Legal Opinion
2. Secretary Treasurer's Confidential Report
  - a) Projected June 30 Financial Statements
  - b) Trustee Representation
3. Senior Admin Expenses

The Business Meeting was called to order at 9:25 p.m.

1. The agenda was approved as amended.
2. The minutes of the August 25, 2020 Regular Board Meeting were approved as circulated.
3. The accounts and payroll deposits for the month of July 2020 were approved.
4. Policy E.B.E. – School Bus Driver Evaluation and Health Screening revisions were approved.
5. Superintendent's Business Report
  - a) Jenna Waldner was employed as a part-time educational assistant effective September 3, 2020 and assigned to Acadia Colony School.
  - b) Vilma Naguio was employed as a full time educational assistant effective September 3, 2020 and assigned to Neepawa Collegiate.
  - c) Gwen Ferguson was employed as a full time term educational assistant effective September 3, 2020 to December 18, 2020 and assigned to Neepawa Middle School.

- d) Lexxie Gessner was employed as a full time educational assistant effective September 3, 2020 and assigned to R.J. Waugh School.
- e) 2020/21 Substitute Teachers: Viktoriia Semenii, Brenda Nelson, Michael Whelan, Colleen Taylor, Robert Ferguson, Connie Suggitt, Donald Pugh.
- f) 2019/20 HSAP report by Bob Lepischak, Apprenticeship Coordinator was reviewed. Annual report is provided to the Board as this position is outside of formula. It was noted there were 22 graduates this year.
- g) The Staff cost reimbursement agreement between Beautiful Plains School Division and Riverbend Colony as outlined in the Superintendent's Confidential Report item a) was approved.
- h) The out of division school of choice request from Tanice Gudnason who resides in Turtle Mountain School Division for her son, Cody Dalton Gudnason to attend Neepawa Collegiate effective September 8, 2020 was approved.
- i) The out of division school of choice request from Derrick and Irena Hibbert who reside in River East School Division for their son, Cameron Hibbert to attend Neepawa Collegiate effective September 8, 2020 was approved.

#### 6. Secretary-Treasurer's Business Report

- a) The purchase of a new 71 passenger school bus from Warner Bus Industries was approved.
- b) By-law No. 298 a by-law for the purpose of issuing debentures to finance the cost of Carberry Collegiate gym roof replacement was given first reading.
- c) By-law No. 297 a by-law to adjust trustee annual indemnities was read a second and third time and finally passed, signed and sealed.

#### 7. Other Reports

- a) MSBA Executive Highlights August 10, 2020 was circulated.
- b) MSBA – e-news September 9, 2020 was circulated.
- c) MSBA Call for Nominations Resolutions 2021 was reviewed.
- d) Manitoba Education Memo – The requirement for trustees to physically attend a board meeting at least every 3 months and the requirement for the Board Chair, Superintendent and Secretary-Treasurer to be physically present in the meeting room for board meetings have been suspended to allow more flexibility with evolving public health situations. The regulatory requirement that school buses use laminated glass in the 2020-21 school year has been suspended as well to allow for access to additional buses from other provinces. Legislative changes have been made to allow for these provisions.

8. Superintendent's Information and Correspondence

- a) International Travel - Reviewed the travel procedures currently in place along with the advantages and disadvantages of school based travel. Travel destinations, liability, insurance, equity and other issues were discussed.
- b) Medical notes for exemptions – The College of Physicians and Surgeons of Manitoba issued guidance to their members in regards to obligations to provide medical notes for accommodations.
- c) Covid-19 Staffing Considerations were reviewed.
- d) Covid-19 Update – Topics discussed were updated screening tool, change in mask usage guidelines for buses, purchase of a bus to accommodate transportation of students, donation of over 1,000 masks and photos of what school looks like this year compared to other years.

9. Open Forum

- a) Floyd Martin Visit – Board decided to defer this item.
- b) Board Quote - Approved for circulation
- c) Thank-yous from staff for Tim Hortons cards were circulated.

Resolutions:

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| 1. | That the agenda be approved as amended.   | <i>Carried</i> |
| 2. | That the minutes of the August 25, 2020 Regular Board Meeting be approved as circulated.  | <i>Carried</i> |
| 3. | That the July 31, 2020 expenditures be approved for a total of \$ 1,514,735.89  |                |
|    | Accounts Payable Cheques:   |                |
|    | #38742 - #38744; #38792 - #38821;   |                |
|    | #38824 - #38885; #38889 - #38909  | \$ 834,327.94  |
|    | Payroll Direct Deposits: #73806 - #74135  | \$ 680,407.95  |
| 4. | That the following policy be revised as presented this date:<br>- E.B.E. – School Bus Driver Evaluation and Health Screening          | <i>Carried</i> |
| 5. | That Jenna Waldner be employed as a part-time educational assistant effective September 3, 2020 and assigned to Acadia Colony School. | <i>Carried</i> |
| 6. | That Vilma Naguio be employed as a full time educational assistant effective September 3, 2020 and assigned to Neepawa Collegiate.    | <i>Carried</i> |

7. That Gwen Ferguson be employed as a full time term educational assistant effective September 3, 2020 to December 18, 2020 and assigned to Neepawa Middle School. *Carried*
8. That Lexxie Gessner be employed as a full time educational assistant effective September 3, 2020 and assigned to R.J. Waugh School. *Carried*
9. That the Staff Cost Reimbursement Agreement between Beautiful Plains School Division and Riverbend Colony as outlined in the Superintendent Confidential report item a) be approved. *Carried*
10. That the out of division school of choice request from Tanice Gudnason who resides in Turtle Mountain School Division for her son, Cody Dalton Gudnason to attend Grade 12 at Neepawa Collegiate effective September 8, 2020 be approved. *Carried*
11. That the out of division school of choice request from Derrick and Irena Hibbert for their son, Cameron Hibbert to attend Grade 12 at Neepawa Collegiate effective September 8, 2020 be approved. *Carried*
12. That the Division purchase a 71 passenger school bus through Warner Bus Industries at a cost of \$126,000. *Carried*
13. That By-law No. 298 a by-law for the purpose of issuing debentures to finance the cost of Carberry Collegiate gym roof replacement BE GIVEN FIRST READING. *Carried*
14. That by-law No. 297, a by-law to adjust trustee annual indemnities BE READ A SECOND AND THIRD TIME AND FINALLY PASSED, SIGNED AND SEALED. *Carried*

Meeting adjourned at 9:59 p.m.

The next Regular Board Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 20, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.

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