

Beautiful Plains School Division

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

September 3, 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

In Camera

1. Superintendent's Confidential Report
 - a) MSBA Memos
 - b) Senior Admin Follow Up
 - c) Superintendent/CEO 24/25 Work Plan
 - d) Winnipeg Free Press Article
 - e) Support Staff
2. Secretary-Treasurer's Confidential Report
 - a) Vocational School Update
 - b) Former Student
 - c) Projected June 30 Financial Statements
3. Senior Admin Expenses

The Business Meeting was called to order at 6:04 p.m.

1. The agenda was approved as amended.
2. The minutes of the July 30, 2024 Regular Board meeting were approved as circulated.
3. The accounts and payroll deposits for the month of June 2024 were approved.
4. Business Arising from the Previous Meeting
 - a) Conscious Leadership – Topic #3 “Honesty” – Board reflected on this topic and continued discussions.
5. Superintendent's Business Report
 - a) 2024/25 Substitute Teachers: Cheong Ming Chan, Douglas Miller, Brent Crosson, Nancy Sue Kirkpatrick, Myrna Wells, Murray Karlicki, Danica Wyss, Kelly Sneesby, Michelle McMillan, Jacqueline Sallows, Kathryn Bjarnason, John Potter, Elizabeth

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Campbell, Lori Salt, Josh McMillan, Katherine Malfait, Ron Shewchuk, Kelly Braun, Laura Cox, Mary Platt, Lorraine Fisher, Carmen Kostenchuk, Naomi Plett

- b) Jacie Leckie was employed as a teacher on a full time teacher general contract effective September 3, 2024 and assigned to R.J. Waugh School.
- c) Michelle de Vera was employed as an educational assistant effective September 3, 2024 and assigned to Hazel M Kellington School.
- d) Kayla Ernest was employed as an educational assistant effective September 3, 2024 and assigned to Hazel M Kellington School.
- e) Kayla Kostenchuk was employed as a term educational assistant effective September 3, 2024 to June 25, 2025 and assigned to Neepawa Middle School.
- f) Pamela Ruvilla was employed as an educational assistant effective September 3, 2024 and assigned to Neepawa Middle School.
- g) Gemmalyn Benamer was employed as a part-time term educational assistant effective September 3, 2024 to June 25, 2025 and assigned to Neepawa Middle School.
- h) Resignation from Alesha Schuman, Educational Assistant at Neepawa Middle School was accepted effective August 12, 2024.
- i) The within division school of choice request from Mitchell Parrott and Tess Huybrechts for their son Bent Eric Lance Parrott to attend Grade 4 at J.M. Young School effective September 4, 2024 was approved.
- j) The within division school of choice request from Mitchell Parrott and Tess Huybrechts for their son Alec Mitchell Gerald Parrott to attend Grade 3 at J.M. Young School effective September 4, 2024 was approved.

6. Secretary-Treasurer's Business Report

- a) Bob Johnston was employed as a regular bus driver effective September 3, 2024.
- b) The transportation request from Brad & Caitlin Nelson to provide bus service beyond policy was denied.
- c) The transportation request from Carla Boxall to provide bus service beyond policy was approved.
- d) The transportation request from Valerie Labuik to provide bus service beyond policy was denied.

7. New Business & Correspondence for Action

- a) First Reading of Revised Policy H.C. - Field Trip Safety – Revisions included updated wording to match the resource documents.

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- b) First Reading of Revised Policy J.G.K. – Personal Electronic Devices/Cell Phones - The provincial directive regarding cell phone/electronic device use was incorporated into the existing policy.
- c) First Reading of Revised Policy G.M.A – Criminal Record and Child Abuse Registry Checks - Minor wording change to remain consistent with practice.

8. Superintendent's Information and Correspondence

- a) Letter from Minister of Education and Early Childhood Learning - Enhancing Guidelines for Cell Phone Use in Schools – The Provincial directive outlines expectations for all grades. The letter also includes clear direction that appropriate use is expected to be modelled by staff.
- b) Review of new Teacher Collective Agreement – Highlighted a few items that are changes for Beautiful Plains. There is a variety of implementation dates ranging from immediate implementation to as late as September 2025. Changes and implementations will be reported to the board as needed.
- c) Cell Phone Article – Article reports that Beautiful Plains is working on modifying the policy to meet the provincial directive as we continue to work with families and schools.
- d) Compliance with In-Service Days – Letter from government indicates all of our schools need to share at least eight common in-service days. Work is ongoing to determine how this can be accommodated.
- e) Principal Meeting Agenda – August 27, 2024 - Agenda was provided from the first Principal meeting of the year.

9. Secretary-Treasurer's Information and Correspondence

- a) Bus Driver Meeting Agenda – August 29, 2024 – Annual bus driver meeting agenda was presented.
- b) 2024 Summer Project Update – a review of projects was presented. Most of the projects were completed by the start of the school year.

10. Open Forum

- a) Coming Events were circulated.
- b) Board quote was approved for circulation.
- c) September 16 is a Professional Development day for teachers and Educational Assistants.

Resolutions:

- 1. That the agenda be approved as amended.

Carried

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2. That the minutes of the July 30, 2024 Regular Board Meeting be approved as circulated. *Carried*
3. That the June 30, 2024 expenditures be approved for a total of \$ 2,930,096.36.
Accounts Payable Cheques:
#49508 - #49786 \$ 1,698,922.60
Payroll Direct Deposits: #102294 - #103005 \$ 1,231,173.76 *Carried*
4. That Jacie Leckie 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 Michelle de Vera be employed as an educational assistant effective September 3, 2024 and assigned to Hazel M Kellington School. *Carried*
6. That Kayla Ernest be employed as an educational assistant effective September 3, 2024 and assigned to Hazel M Kellington School. *Carried*
7. That Kayla Kostenchuk be employed as a term educational assistant effective September 3, 2024 to June 25, 2025 and assigned to Neepawa Middle School. *Carried*
8. That Pamela Ruvilla be employed as an educational assistant effective September 3, 2024 and assigned to Neepawa Middle School. *Carried*
9. That Gemmalyn Benamer be employed as a part-time term educational assistant effective September 3, 2024 to June 25, 2025 and assigned to Neepawa Middle School. *Carried*
10. That the within division school of choice request from Mitchell Parrott and Tess Huybrechts for their son Bent Eric Lance Parrott to attend Grade 4 at J.M. Young School effective September 4, 2024 be approved. *Carried*
11. That the within division school of choice request from Mitchell Parrott and Tess Huybrechts for their son Alec Mitchell Gerald Parrott to attend Grade 3 at J.M. Young School effective September 4, 2024 be approved. *Carried*
12. That Bob Johnston be employed as a regular bus driver effective September 3, 2024. *Carried*
13. That the transportation request from Brad & Caitlin Nelson to provide bus service beyond policy be approved. *Defeated*
14. That the transportation request from Carla Boxall to provide bus service beyond policy be approved. *Carried*
15. That the transportation request from Valerie Labuik to provide bus service beyond policy be approved. *Defeated*

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Meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

The next Regular Board Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 17, 2024 at 5:00 p.m.

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