

# Beautiful Plains School Division

## REGULAR BOARD MEETING

October 21, 2025

Present: Chairperson R. Manns, Vice Chairperson G. Hunter and Trustees L. Biehn  
K. Guillas, S. Kohinski, J. McNeily, R. Toews

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

Regrets:

BPTA: M. Cewick (Regular Meeting Only)

### ***In Camera***

1. Superintendent's Confidential Report
  - a) Student Suspensions
  - b) Student Suspension Data
  - c) Staffing Update
  - d) Follow up – Deputy Minister
  - e) Superintendent Evaluation
  
2. Secretary-Treasurer's Confidential Report
  - a) Budget 2026-27 Preparations
  - b) Media Article
  - c) Auditor Report 2024-25 Financials
  
3. Board Chair Meeting

The Business Meeting was called to order at 5:40 p.m.

1. The agenda was approved as circulated.
  
2. The minutes of the October 7, 2025 Regular Board Meeting were approved as circulated.
  
3. Delegations
  - a) Representative from MNP was in attendance to present the 2024 – 25 financial statements and documents relating to the recent annual audit. A clear unmodified audit opinion on the 2024 – 25 financial statements was provided. Upcoming changes to accounting rules for non-financial liabilities are not likely to impact the division next year when the changes are adopted.

The board moved into camera at 6:05 pm  
J. Young, K. Reynolds, S. Bayes and M Cewick left the meeting  
at 6:08 p.m., J. Young, K. Reynolds, S. Bayes and M. Cewick returned  
The board moved back to regular meeting at 6:09 p.m.

#### 4. Superintendent's Business Report

- a) Tamara Flett was employed as a term educational assistant effective October 9, 2025 to June 26, 2026 and assigned to R.J. Waugh School.
- b) 2025/26 Substitute Teachers: McKenna Staples
- c) The within division school of choice request from Chuck and Priscilla Webb for their son Riel Emil Webb to attend Grade 1 at Brookdale School instead of Hazel M Kellington School effective October 14, 2025 was approved.

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

- a) The auditor reports from MNP LLP to the Board of Trustees and the 2024/25 Audited Financial Statements and Notes to the Financial Statements were approved as presented. For 2024 – 25, revenues exceeded expenditures by \$199,985. Overall cost per pupil is \$13,124 which will be one of the lowest in the province.

#### 6. Other Reports

- a) Fall Regional Meeting October 18, 2025 - Trustees that attended the Fall Regional Meeting reviewed the motions presented to date and the regional decision made regarding which motions will be presented at the annual meeting. Round table discussions were held. The regional meeting was well attended.
- b) MSBA e-news – October 8, 2025 – November PD agenda was reviewed. Other items noted were October is Cybermonth, Veterans week is November 5 - 11, Literacy week is October 27 – 31 and October is also Dyslexia Awareness Month.
- c) MSBA - Bill 225 Brief - Oct 8 2025 – MSBA issued a memo in response to Bill 225 which is directed at universal screening for learning disabilities. Memo was reviewed and among other things indicates that schools already perform these screenings.
- d) Convention Award Program – 2026 – Available recognition and awards were reviewed. The program included the description of the awards, nomination form and the deadlines.

#### 7. Superintendent's Information and Correspondence

- a) BPTA Supper Meeting and/or Liaison Meeting Topics – Board started discussions on potential topics for the meeting. BPTA Executive will discuss potential topics as well.
- b) Principal Meeting Agenda – October 16, 2025 – Agenda was reviewed to keep the board aware and demonstrate the alignment that exists with the overall divisional direction. Some items included were professional development, leave requests, public entry to our buildings, enrolments vs budget and staffing impact and wage

harmonization impacts.

8. Secretary-Treasurer's Information and Correspondence

- a) Neepawa Middle School Classroom Update – Due to growth, the province has approved this capital project as the timelines for a new school have been later than expected. Construction of the stand-alone 6 classroom addition with washroom facilities continues to be on track with estimated completion Summer 2026.

9. Open Forum

- a) Board quote was approved for circulation.
- b) Coming Events were circulated.

Resolutions:

- 1. That the agenda be approved as circulated. *Carried*
- 2. That the minutes of the October 7, 2025 I Regular Board Meeting be approved as circulated. *Carried*
- 3. That the board move back in-camera. *Carried*
- 4. That the board move into regular meeting. *Carried*
- 5. That Tamara Flett be employed as a term educational assistant effective October 9, 2025 to June 26, 2026 and assigned to R.J. Waugh School. *Carried*
- 6. That the within division school of choice request from Chuck and Priscilla Webb for their son Riel Emil Webb to attend Grade 1 at Brookdale School instead of Hazel M Kellington School effective October 14, 2025 be approved. *Carried*
- 7. That the auditor reports from MNP LLP to the Board of Trustees and the 2024/25 Audited Financial Statements and Notes to the Financial Statements be approved as presented. *Carried*

Meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

The next Regular Board Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 4, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.

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