

NO. #2013R-9 (MONDAY, MAY 6, 2013)

MINUTES: REGULAR MEETING OF THE SASKATCHEWAN RIVERS PUBLIC SCHOOL DIVISION BOARD OF EDUCATION
LOCATION: BOARD ROOM, EDUCATION CENTRE
 545 – 11TH STREET EAST, PRINCE ALBERT, SASKATCHEWAN
DATE: MONDAY, MAY 6, 2013
TIME: 5:00 p.m.

PRESENT:

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

MR. G. GUSTAFSON
 MR. B. HOLLICK
 MR. A. LINDBERG
 MR. G. MCHENRY
 MR. J. MCIVOR
 MS. D. ROWDEN
 MS. J. SMITH-WINDSOR
 MR. W. STEEN
 MR. R. THOMSON
 MRS. J. WICINSKI-DUNN

SENIOR ADMINISTRATION

MR. R. BRATVOLD, Director of Education
 MR. R. CLARKE, Superintendent of Schools
 MRS. H. HOBBS, Superintendent of Human Resources
 MR. M. HURD, Superintendent of Facilities
 DR. D. LLOYD, Chief Financial Officer
 MR. A. NUNN, Superintendent of Schools
 MR. J. SCHULTZ, Superintendent of Schools
 MRS. M. TAYLOR, Superintendent of Schools
 MRS. J. WARD, Executive Assistant

Board Chair B. Hollick called the meeting to order.

MOTION TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION:

(Motion #13R-67)

*Moved by G. Gustafson that the meeting move into Closed Session with Board and Administration present.
 Carried.*

REGULAR SESSION CONVENED.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA:

(Motion #13R-68)

*Moved by J. Wicinski-Dunn that the agenda be approved as written.
 Carried.*

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

(Motion #13R-69)

*Moved by W. Steen that the minutes of the Regular meeting of April 22, 2013 be adopted as written.
 Carried.*

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:

(a) Motions from the Closed Session of May 6, 2013:
(Motion #13R-70)

Moved by B. Hollick that the following motions be brought forward:

1. *That the Board approve the appointment of Neil Finch as Superintendent of Schools, contingent upon agreement of contractual issues.
Carried.*
2. *That in consultation with the City of Prince Albert, the Board approve a five-year tax exemption to Habitat for Humanity for their Restore outlet located at 911 Marquis Drive.
Carried.*
3. *That the Board approve the Teacher Personnel Report as presented.
Carried.*

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING:

(a) S.S.B.A. Request for Feedback from Boards of Education – Proposed Position Statements

The draft position statements from the Saskatchewan School Boards Association were reviewed by the Board. The Board made suggestions for changes to the position statements. This feedback will be forwarded to the SSBA.

REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF:

(a) Verbal Report on City Council Meeting on April 29, 2013

All trustees commented that the meeting was productive and positive with City Council. Administration was asked to schedule a date for a meeting with City Council in the next school year.

(b) Verbal Update on First Day of School Tours – April 30, 2013

All trustees who were in attendance on the tours expressed appreciation to school staffs for the tours.

(c) Student Assessment and Achievement

Some trustees have expressed a desire to learn more about the state of assessment in the Division in order to gain some common understanding for communication with the public and others. R. Bratvold reviewed standardized assessment that the Division has done and the intended use of the data. He noted that assessment aligns to the curriculum and the Division utilizes the data to improve instruction to our students.

B. Hollick thanked administration for the excellent presentation on assessment and achievement.

(d) Expansion of Prekindergarten Program in Saskatchewan Rivers Public School Division

(Motion #13R- 71)

*Moved by W. Steen that the Board approve the new Prekindergarten program at Riverside Community Public School starting the 2013-2014 school year.
Carried.*

BOARD MEMBERS' FORUM:

G. Gustafson commented that in previous years, the City of Prince Albert provided an opportunity to send out information on the school divisions with tax notices. Administration will check into this.

B. Hollick commented that he is the Saskatchewan School Boards Association's representative on the University of Saskatchewan Senate. This appointment will begin in fall.

ADJOURNMENT:

(Motion #13R-72)

*Moved by J. Smith-Windsor that the meeting adjourn.
Carried.*

SIGNATURES:

Barry Hollick
Board Chair

Executive Assistant

May 21, 2013
Date of Approval