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NO. #2020R-3 (MONDAY, MARCH 9, 2020)

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SASKATCHEWAN RIVERS PUBLIC SCHOOL DIVISION, BOARD OF EDUCATION HELD ON MONDAY, MARCH 9, 2020 AT 5:30 P.M. IN BOARD ROOM, EDUCATION CENTRE, 545 – 11TH STREET EAST, PRINCE ALBERT, SASKATCHEWAN

PRESENT:

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

MR. B. GEROW, Trustee

MR. G. GUSTAFSON, Trustee

MR. B. HOLLICK, Board Chair

MR. A. LINDBERG, Trustee

MR. J. MCIVOR, Trustee

MS. D. ROWDEN, Trustee

MS. J. SMITH-WINDSOR, Vice-Chair

DR. M. VICKERS, Trustee

MR. B. YEAMAN, Trustee

SENIOR ADMINISTRATION

Mr. R. Bratvold, Director of Education

Mrs. J. Ward, Administrative Services Officer

Mr. J. Pidborochynski, Chief Financial Officer

STUDENT TRUSTEES

K. Lam (absent)

E. Pala (absent)

B. Hollick, Board Chair, called the meeting to order.

MOTION TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION:

#20R-19

Moved by D. Rowden that the meeting move into Closed Session with Board and Administration present.

Carried.

Regular meeting resumed.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA:

#20R-20

Moved by A. Lindberg that the agenda be approved as presented.

Carried.

CONSENT ITEMS:

B. Hollick excused himself from voting on the recommendation due to his involvement with the Kiwanis Club and the request for the Prince Albert Music Festival.

#20R-21

Moved by D. Rowden that the following consent item be approved:

(a) Adoption of the Minutes for the Regular meeting of February 3, 2020;

(b) Request from the Prince Albert Music Festival;

(c) Administrative Procedures Changes;

(d) Financial Statements – for the Period Ended January 31, 2020.

Carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

(a) **Saskatchewan Rivers Students for Change (SRSC) Board Committee Verbal Report**

J. Smith-Windsor reported that the SRSC Board committee met prior to the meeting to discuss ways to support leadership and professional development opportunities for the SRSC Executive and the Committee.

(b) **Saskatchewan Rivers Students for Change (SRSC) Report**

Due the absence of our student trustees, the written report from Saskatchewan Rivers Students for Change will be tabled until the next Board meeting.

(c) **Finalize Date for Board/Director Evaluation**

Discussion was held regarding the Board/Director evaluation session booked for the fall. Two dates in October 2020 were tentatively booked. Due to the fact that one trustee was not available on one date and that the other date was towards the end of October, administration was asked to contact the Saskatchewan School Boards Association regarding September 28, 2020. Once a date has been finalized, an email will sent out from B. Hollick.

ACCOUNTABILITY REPORTS

(a) **Transportation Services Quarterly Report**

#20R-21

***Moved by G. Gustafson that the Transportation Services Quarterly Report be approved.
Carried.***

REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF:

(a) **Director's Update**

R. Bratvold provided an update on:

- Student learning – Annual Student Art Show planned for May 6, 2020 to showcase over 600 pieces of art work.
- Partnerships – Early learning grant for prekindergarten, meeting with the Dean Brothwell of the College of Dentistry, University of Saskatchewan regarding the possibility of students and community accessing dentistry services - details to be finalized.
- Provincial update – Provincial Education Plan – completed with implementation in the fall of 2020. Reporting on data from ESSP will continue for one more year.
- COVID-19 information shared with schools, currently directing people to the provincial site for additional information.
- Teacher sanctions will begin on Thursday, March 12 and continuing until further notice. Discussion was held regarding how this will affect school operations.
- Upcoming events for trustees information – on March 17, 2020 at 10:30 a.m., the Honourable Russ Mirasty, Lieutenant Governor of Saskatchewan, will attend École Arthur Pechey Public School; Prince Albert Early Years Family Resource Centre (division is accountable partner) grand opening on March 20 at 10:00 a.m.

- Fall school board elections – discussion regarding rotating ballot for urban school trustees.

#20R-22

Moved by B. Hollick that for the 2020 urban school board elections for the City of Prince Albert the ballot be a rotating.

Carried.

(b) 2020 School Tours – Day 2 and 3

The proposed schedule for the upcoming school tours was shared. Board consensus was to hold Day 2 on Wednesday, April 29, 2020 and Day 3 on Thursday, May 28, 2020.

(c) 2019-2020 Board Committee Terms of Reference

The list of Board committees along with the site/reference for the terms of reference was shared for information. As part of the recommendation passed at the Board/Director Seminar, the chair of each Board committee and Board appointees to external committee are to complete the Terms of References for these committees by May 4, 2020.

NEW BUSINESS:

(d) Motions from the Closed Session of March 9, 2020:

#20R-23

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

- 1. That Jill Welke of the Saskatchewan School Boards Association be selected as the facilitator for the strategic planning process for the Saskatchewan Rivers Public School Division.***
Carried.
- 2. That the Board approve a Cree Language Program at John Diefenbaker Public School beginning in the 2020-2021 school year.***
Carried.
- 3. That a Board committee be established to review the Board Director Seminar topics comprised of B. Hollick, B. Gerow, J. McIvor and M. Vickers with administrative support as required and that the Committee's terms of reference be brought back to the April Regular Board meeting for approval.***
Carried.
- 4. That the firm of MNP LLP be appointed auditors for the school division for a five year term from 2020 to 2024.***
Carried.
- 5. That the Board approve the Financial Statements for the Charity and Scholarship Fund.***
Carried.

THREE KEY MESSAGES FOR SCC/PUBLIC FROM BOARD MEETING

- Cree Language Program at John Diefenbaker Public School
- Lieutenant Governor visit to Ecole Arthur Pechey / Minister of Education G. Wyant – opening of the new Family Resource Centre.
- SRSC presentation at Rural Congress

BOARD MEMBERS' FORUM:

Trustees were given an opportunity to share information on events they had participated in or items of mutual interest.

ADJOURNMENT:

#20R-24

Moved by D. Rowden that the meeting adjourn.

Carried.

SIGNATURES:



Board Chair



Administrative Services Officer

April 6, 2020

Date of Approval