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**NO. #2020R-4 (MONDAY, APRIL 6, 2020)**

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SASKATCHEWAN RIVERS PUBLIC SCHOOL DIVISION, BOARD OF EDUCATION HELD ON MONDAY, APRIL 6, 2020 AT 5:20 P.M. VIA TELECONFERENCE**

**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

Mr. R. Emmerson, Superintendent of Schools

Mr. J. Pidborochynski, Chief Financial Officer

Mr. M. Hurd, Superintendent of Facilities

Mr. C. Trann, Superintendent of Schools

Mrs. J. Ward, Administrative Services Officer

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

**MOTION TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION:**

**#20R-25**

***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-26**

***Moved by A. Lindberg that the agenda be approved as amended.***

***Carried.***

**CONSENT ITEMS:**

**#20R-27**

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

***(a) Adoption of the Minutes for the Regular meeting of March 9, 2020;***

***(b) Financial Statements – for the Period Ended February 29, 2020.***

***Carried.***

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING:**

**(a) Board Director Seminar Topics Committee Terms of Reference**

The Board Committee scheduled a teleconference for Tuesday, April 14, 2020 at 2:30 p.m. to develop the Terms of Reference for this committee.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**(a) Motions from the Closed Session of April 6, 2020:**  
**#20R-28**

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

**1. That the Board deny the request for transportation from the Crowl family to Wild Rose Public School.**

***Carried.***

**2. That the Board award the division wide LED lighting upgrade contract to Bill's Electric City of Prince Albert.**

***Carried.***

**(b) Provincial Update**

J. Smith-Windsor provided a verbal update regarding the work and activities of the Executive of the Saskatchewan School Boards during COVID-19. The SSBA Executive will be meeting every two week via teleconferencing.

**(c) Student Trustee Attendance at Board Meeting**

Consensus of the Board was to not require the student trustees to attend this meeting and the May 4, 2020 Regular meeting unless the Provincial Student Leadership group is still convening then E. Pala would be able to report on the group at the May meeting. Superintendent Trann will contact the SRSC President to collect information about SRPSD students' perspectives during COVID-19. A decision regarding the attendance of student trustees at the June Board meeting will be determined at later date.

**(d) 2019-2020 Board Development Plan**

M. Vickers reviewed the Board Development Plan to date. She noted that the majority of trustees attended the SSBA Trustee Academy in February but the remainder of the professional development opportunities has been cancelled due to COVID-19. As indicated by J. Smith-Windsor, the SSBA Executive is currently reviewing online options for professional development for trustees. If trustees have other suggestions for professional development, please contact M. Vickers or J. Ward.

**(e) Access for Public Regular Meeting**

Discussion took place regarding transparency and accessibility for the public to Board meetings during the COVID-19 pandemic and onward.

**#20R-29**

***Moved by A. Lindberg that the Regular Board meeting packages be posted to the Saskatchewan Rivers Public School Division's website effective immediately.***  
***Carried.***

**ACCOUNTABILITY REPORTS**

**(a) Facilities Accountability Report**

**#20R-30**

***Moved by G. Gustafson that the Board confirm that the intent of Policy 8, Item 8 and Policy 13, Item 6.1 have been met and that the Facilities Accountability Report be referred to the Director Evaluation process.***

***Carried.***

**REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF:**

**(a) LAFOIP Request**

R. Bratvold noted that the redacted documents related to the June 2019 meeting between SRPSD Board and local MLAs have been recently released.

**#20R-31**

***Moved by G. Gustafson that the Board authorize the Board chair to submit a Freedom of Information request to the SRPSD Privacy Officer to access the previously released redacted documents related to the June 2019 meeting between the SRPSD Board and local MLAs.***

***Carried.***

**(b) Appointment of Returning Officers for 2020 Board Elections**

**#20R-32**

***Moved by A. Lindberg that the City Clerk for the City of Prince Albert be appointed Returning Officer for the 2020 General School Board Elections for urban board members within the City of Prince Albert.***

***Carried.***

**#20R-33**

***Moved by J. McIvor that the Chief Financial Officer of the school division be appointed Returning Officer for the 2020 General School Board Elections for board members in Wards 1 to 5 of the school division.***

***Carried.***

The 2016 informational package that was provided to potential candidates for school boards election will be placed on the agenda for the May Board meeting.

**(c) Supplemental Learning Program Verbal Update**

Superintendent Emmerson provided a verbal update on the status of supplemental learning program in Saskatchewan Rivers Public School Division. He noted that there will be different platforms that will be used with our students. School staff have been contacting families and for those families that have not yet been contacted, the division has other options to communicate to these families. R. Emmerson noted that one positive effect that comes out this will be the progressive collaboration happening among staff.

**(d) 2019-2020 SRPSD Our School Data Report**

Superintendent Trann reviewed the perceptual data gathered from Saskatchewan Rivers Public School Division parents and students through the *Our School Survey (October 2019 to January 2020)*. The data presented was in relation to the SRPSD Strategic Plan for 2017-2020. Highlights from relevant secondary and elementary student reports was shared. Trustees requested a review of the questions for *Our School Data* prior to the collection of data.

**THREE KEY MESSAGES FOR SCC/PUBLIC FROM BOARD MEETING**

- Cree Language Program at John Diefenbaker Public School.
- Supplemental Learning Program for students.
- LED Lighting Project for the School Division.

**BOARD MEMBERS' FORUM:**

Consensus of the Board was to send a message to staff expressing its appreciation for the commitment to our students and their efforts in the COVID-19 crisis.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**#20R-34**

***Moved by D. Rowden that the meeting adjourn.***

***Carried.***

**SIGNATURES:**



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Board Chair



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Administrative Services Officer

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May 4, 2020

Date of Approval