

**NO. #2020R-13 (MONDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2020)**

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SASKATCHEWAN RIVERS PUBLIC SCHOOL DIVISION, BOARD OF EDUCATION HELD ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2020 AT 5:00 P.M. IN THE SEMINAR ROOM, EDUCATION CENTRE, 545 11<sup>TH</sup> STREET EAST, PRINCE ALBERT, SK**

**PRESENT:**

**MEMBERS OF THE BOARD**

**MRS. C. BLOOM**, Trustee

**MR. B. GEROW**, Trustee

**MR. G. GUSTAFSON**, Trustee

**MR. B. HOLLICK**, Board Chair

**MR. A. LINDBERG**, Trustee

**MR. A. NUNN**, Trustee

**MS. D. ROWDEN**, Vice-Chair

**MS. J. SMITH-WINDSOR**, Trustee (electronically)

**DR. M. VICKERS**, Trustee (absent)

**MR. B. YEAMAN**, Trustee

**SENIOR ADMINISTRATION**

Mr. R. Bratvold, Director of Education

Mrs J. Hingley, Superintendent of Schools (electronically)

Mr. J. Pidborochynski, Chief Financial Officer (electronically) Mrs. J. Ward, Administrative Services Officer

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

B. Hollick acknowledged the traditional homelands of the Métis and the ancestral lands of the Cree, Dene, Dakota, Lakota, Nakoda and Saulteaux peoples and that the division is within Treaty 6 Territory.

Trustees were given an opportunity to declare a conflict of interest.

**MOTION TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION:**

**#20R-128**

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

***Carried.***

Regular meeting resumed.

**STUDENT TRUSTEES**

K. Lam (electronically)

E. Zbaraschuk (electronically)

**Others Present**

Ms. J. Letendre, Indigenous Perspective Consultant (electronically)

M. Oleksyn, Prince Albert Herald Reporter

Gallery – J. Cyrynowski

**ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA:**

**#20R-129**

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

***Carried.***

**CONSENT ITEMS:**

**#20R-130**

*Moved by G. Gustafson that the following consent items be approved:*

- (a) Adoption of the Minutes for the Regular Meetings of November 25 and 30, 2020; Carried.*

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- (a) Motions from the Closed Session of December 7, 2020:**

**#20R-131**

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

- 1. That the Board approve the change to internally restricted surplus listing as presented.  
Carried.*
- 2. That the Board accept the payment set out in Form B – School Division Compensation Re: Specific Land Claim for the lands noted and approve its proper officers to execute the release.  
Carried.*

**#20R-132**

*Moved by D. Rowden that the agenda be amended to allow No. 11 (d) be discussed now.  
Carried.*

Note – the minutes will reflect the agenda order as circulated.

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

K. Lam and E. Zbaraschuk noted that no report was available for this meeting.

- (c) Finalize the Board/Director Seminar (January 15 & 16, 2021)**

B. Hollick provided an outline of the plans for the upcoming Board/Director Seminar for information. He noted that there will be a trustee orientation for the two new trustees on Friday prior to the Seminar.

A copy of previous year's agenda and an update on the items will be emailed to trustees for information.

Trustees are asked to email either B. Hollick or J. Ward with their topics by the January 8, 2020.

- (d) Board Competency Matrix**

D. Rowden, Board Development Committee member, noted that as part of the Annual Work Plan in December, trustees are asked to complete the Board Competency Matrix. Board consensus was to complete the matrix by the end of January, 2021.

**REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF:**

**(a) Budget Priorities, Guidelines and Timelines**

Each year the Board reviews and amends or approves the key elements of budget development. Normally this decision is considered earlier in the fall but it was delayed this year to await the establishment of the new Board after elections and the Organizational meeting.

**#20R-133**

***Moved by A. Lindberg that the Board approve the principles, guidelines and timelines for budget development as presented.***

***Carried.***

**(b) Board Planning Prioritization**

R. Bratvold indicated that a number of topics have emerged and requested input into prioritizing these items for the planning sessions. Consensus was to select the following topics as priority items - Strategic Plan development, risk management and budget planning and development. Further discussion on these items can take place at the Board Director Seminar if time allows. J. Smith-Windsor commented that SSBA legal department would be willing to provide a virtual informational session, possibly at the upcoming Board/Director Seminar.

**(c) 2020-2021 Board Committees**

The Board committees that were established at the Organizational meeting will now need to schedule their first meeting, elect a chair and establish terms of reference (TOR). Consensus was have R. Bratvold schedule the first committees' meetings. The meeting invitations will be emailed out to the trustees and the designated administrative personnel.

**(d) SRPSD Responses to the Truth and Reconciliation Commission**

J. Letendre, Indigenous Perspective Consultant and J. Hingley, Superintendent of Schools provided a written update on the 2020-2021 Truth and Reconciliation in Saskatchewan Rivers Public Schools Division. A summary of SRPSD's focused work on the TRC's Calls to Action was highlighted for information.

It was noted that as part of the Board Annual Work Plan, the Board meets with the Elders' Council in December. J. Letendre indicated that the Elders would be interested in a meeting, either virtually or by telephone, at mutually convenient date and time.

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

- Urban high schools moving to level 4.
- TRCs Calls to Action.
- Creativity and innovation of teachers adapting to the COVID-19

**BOARD MEMBERS' FORUM:**

Trustees were given an opportunity to share information on items of mutual interest.

J. Smith-Windsor informed trustees that the legislation dealing with accessibility will happen in early 2021.

K. Lam, as part of one of her courses, requested input from trustees regarding the importance of student voice in education.

**MOTION TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION:**

**#20R-134**

*Moved by A. Nunn that the meeting move into Closed Session with Board and Administration present.*

*Carried.*


**ADJOURNMENT:**

**#20R-135**

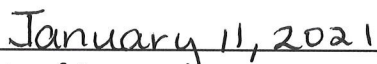
*Moved by G. Gustafson that the meeting adjourn.*

*Carried.*

**SIGNATURES:**

  
Board Chair

  
Administrative Services Officer

  
Date of Approval