

NO. #2023R-7 (MONDAY, APRIL 17, 2023)

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SASKATCHEWAN RIVERS PUBLIC SCHOOL DIVISION NO. 119 FOR THE BOARD OF EDUCATION HELD ON MONDAY, APRIL 17, 2023 AT 4:00 P.M. IN THE BOARD ROOM, EDUCATION CENTRE, 545 11TH 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, Trustee

MR. A. LINDBERG, Trustee

MR. A. NUNN, Vice-Chair

MS. D. ROWDEN, Board Chair

MS. J. SMITH-WINDSOR, Trustee

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

MR. B. YEAMAN, Trustee (*virtual*)

SENIOR ADMINISTRATION

Mr. R. Bratvold, Director of Education

Mr. J. Pidborochynski, Chief Financial Officer

Mrs. J. Ward, Administrative Services Officer

Mr. M. Hurd, Superintendent of Facilities

Mrs. G. Tebay, Superintendent of Schools

D. Rowden, Board Chair, called the meeting to order.

D. Rowden provided the land acknowledgement for the school division. Trustees were given an opportunity to declare a conflict of interest.

MOTION TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION:

#23R-42

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

Carried.

Regular meeting resumed.

STUDENT TRUSTEE

D. Zacharias

C. Horan (absent)

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA:

#23R-43

Moved by G. Gustafson that the agenda be approved as presented.

Carried.

ACCOUNTABILITY REPORTS

(a) Facilities Accountability Report

#23R-44

Moved by B. Hollick 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.

Board discussion took place regarding the governance implications of the Facility Accountability Report.

#23R-45

Moved by A. Lindberg that further Board advocacy occur, provincially and federally, as follows:

- 1) That the Board request a meeting with local Members of Parliament to discuss the taxation of school division capital and maintenance projects and the need to access the Climate Action Incentive Fund for local projects;***
- 2) That the Board Chair write a letter to the Minister responsible for Sask Builds and the Minister of Education to request the removal of PST on capital projects and Preventative Maintenance Renewal program;***
- 3) That the Board Chair write a letter to the Minister of Social Services and the Office of Disability Issues to express interest in project-specific funding for the development and implementation of accessibility plans with the new legislation with the Saskatchewan Accessibility Act.***

Carried.

CONSENT ITEMS:

#23R-46

Moved by B. Hollick that the following consent items be approved:

- (a) Adoption of the Minutes for Regular Meeting of April 3, 2023.***

Carried.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING

(a) Feedback on SSBA Position Statements

The SSBA is required to review position statements every five years. The Board provided feedback on the following two position statements:

- Development of Position Statements and Education Finance.

NEW BUSINESS:

(a) Matters and Motions from the Closed Session of April 17, 2023

Trustees appreciated the Selection Committee's work that resulted in the selection of Jeff Court as the new Superintendent of Schools, effective August 1, 2023.

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

D. Zacharias, student trustee, reviewed the report for information.

#23R-47

Moved by G. Gustafson that the Board support the SRSC in amending the SRSC Constitution to change the role of the student trustee to a revolving role where students sign up for meetings and the Board has the opportunity to hear from a wide range of student voices through SRSC reports, or presentations.

Carried.

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(d) Debrief of Governance Session – April 14, 2023

Trustees provided their input regarding the governance session and the next steps. This item will be added to a future meeting for further discussion.

(e) Verbal Update on Board Chairs Council Meeting – April 5, 2023

D. Rowden provided a verbal update on the meeting, the majority of the time was devoted to the Impact of budget on school divisions.

(f) Recap of SSBA Spring Assembly

Trustees were given an opportunity to provide their feedback on the SSBA Spring Assembly on April 5 and 6, 2023.

REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF:

(a) School Tours 2023 Update

The schedule for the upcoming school tours was provided and reviewed.

(b) Board/School Community Council (SCC) Gathering Feedback

The feedback that was gathered from the March 28, 2023 session with Board, principals and SCC members was shared for information. This feedback will also be shared with SCC Chairs and principals.

THREE KEY MESSAGES FOR SCC/PUBLIC FROM BOARD MEETING:

- Budget 2023-2024 Update;
- Facility Accountability Report;
- Board/School Community Council Gathering Feedback.

BOARD MEMBERS' FORUM:

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

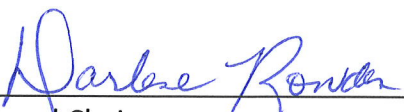
ADJOURNMENT:

#23R-48

Moved by A. Lindberg that the meeting adjourn. (7:16 p.m.)

Carried.

SIGNATURES:



Board Chair



Administrative Services Officer

May 1, 2023
Date of Approval