



**MISSION:** *To strive for excellence in education and to seek to maximize each child's unique learning ability.*  
**VISION:** *Pursuit of excellence, respect of diversity and achievement for all.*

**MINUTES OF THE ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING OF THE SASKATCHEWAN RIVERS PUBLIC SCHOOL DIVISION NO. 119 HELD IN THE BOARD ROOM, EDUCATION CENTRE, 545 - 11<sup>TH</sup> STREET EAST, ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2023 AT 1:00 P.M.**

**PRESENT:**

**MRS. C. BLOOM**, Trustee  
**MR. B. GEROW**, Trustee  
**MR. G. GUSTAFSON**, Trustee  
**MR. B. HOLLICK**, Trustee  
**MR. A. LINDBERG**, Trustee

**MR A. NUNN**, Trustee  
**MS. D. ROWDEN**, Trustee  
**MS. J. SMITH-WINDSOR**, Trustee  
**DR. M. VICKERS**, Trustee  
**MR. B. YEAMAN**, Trustee

**SENIOR ADMINISTRATION**

Mr. N. Finch, Director of Education  
Mrs. J. Ward, Administrative Services Officer

Mr. J. Pidborochynski, Chief Financial Officer

**OTHERS**

M. Oleksyn, Prince Albert Daily Herald

**CALL TO ORDER:**

N. Finch, Director of Education, called the meeting to order.

G. Gustafson provided his land acknowledgement for school division.  
Trustees were given an opportunity to declare a conflict of interest.

**ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA:**

**Motion #23R-108**

*Moved by B. Hollick that the agenda be approved as presented.  
Carried.*

**ELECTION OF BOARD CHAIR:**

N. Finch called for nominations for the position of Board Chair of the Board of Education.

A. Lindberg nominated D. Rowden as Board Chair for the ensuing year.

**Motion #23R-109**

*Moved by A. Lindberg that the nominations cease.  
Carried.*

**D. Rowden was declared elected as Board Chair, by acclamation, for the ensuing year.**

**ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIR:**

D. Rowden called for nominations for the position of Vice-Chair of the Board of Education.

B. Yeaman nominated A. Nunn as Vice-Chair for the ensuing year.

**Motion #23R-110**

*Moved by B. Hollick that the nominations cease.  
Carried.*

**A. Nunn** was declared elected as Vice-Chair, by acclamation, for the ensuing year.

**APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY CHAIR ROTATION:**

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| • November, December 2023, January, 2024 | B. Gerow     |
| • February, March, April, 2024           | G. Gustafson |
| • May, June, September, 2024             | A. Lindberg  |
| • October, November, 2024                | B. Hollick   |

**APPOINTMENTS FOR THE SCHOOL DIVISION:**

**(a) Auditor**

**Motion #23R-111**

*Moved by G. Gustafson that the Board re-affirm the appointment of Meyers Norris Penny (MNP) LLP as the auditors for the school division for 2024.  
Carried.*

**(b) Agent of Record (Insurance agent or broker):**

**Motion #23R-112**

*Moved by A. Lindberg that AON Risk Solutions be the agent of record for the school division for the year 2024.  
Carried.*

**(c) Solicitor:**

**Motion #23R-113**

*Moved by B. Hollick that the firm of McKercher LLP be the solicitor for the school division for the 2022 year.  
Carried.*

**ESTABLISH THE FOLLOWING:**

**(a) Regular meeting date, hour and place:**

**Motion #23R-114**

*Moved by B. Yeaman that the Regular meetings of the Saskatchewan Rivers Public School Division be held, subject to change, on one Monday of each month at 3:30 p.m., with the Closed Session at 2:00 p.m., in the Board Room, Education Centre, 545 - 11<sup>th</sup> Street East, and that the Board Chair and the Director of Education be authorized to cancel a Regular meeting if the agenda does not warrant holding a meeting.  
Carried.*

**(b) Approval of accounts:**

**Motion #23R-115**

*Moved by M. Vickers that the Chief Financial Officer be authorized for the 2024 year to certify all accounts for payment.*

*Carried.*

**(c) Signing officers:**

**Motion #23R-116**

*Moved by B. Hollick that the Board Chair and the Chief Financial Officer be the signing officers for the school division, with the Vice-Chair to sign in the absence of the Board Chair and the Manager of Financial Services to sign in the absence of the Chief Financial Officer for the year 2024.*

*Carried.*

**(d) Amount of temporary credit with a financial institution in Prince Albert:**

**Motion #23R-117**

*Moved by G. Gustafson that the school division continue with Concentra Financial a credit limit of five million dollars for the 2024 year.*

*Carried.*

**(e) (Attendance and Transportation Services Areas**

**Motion #23R-118**

*Moved by A. Lindberg that the Board confirm the current attendance and transportation services areas for 2021-2022 school year.*

*Carried.*

**(f) Hours of Public Access to All Central Offices:**

**Motion #23R-119**

*Moved by A. Nunn that public access to the Education Centre/Support Services Centre during regular hours be from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon and from 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. and during summer hours be from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Monday to Friday except for statutory holidays.*

*Carried.*

**(g) Indemnity, honorarium and expenses to be paid to trustees:**

**Motion #23R-120**

*Moved by B. Gerow that the Trustee Remuneration Guidelines be approved for the 2023-2024.*

*Carried.*

**EXTERNAL BOARD APPOINTMENTS:**

A Board discussion was held regarding the structure and membership of the Policy Committee.

(Motion)

Moved by J. Smith-Windsor that the Board, as a whole, operate as the Policy Committee for the 2023-2024 school year and that the Board and Director engage a facilitator to bring a report regarding a review of Policy 9: Board Committees regarding the committee structure.  
Motion defeated.

**Motion #23R-121**

***Moved by B. Hollick that the Policy Committee be constituted as the entire Board as its membership.***  
***Carried.***

Discussion took place regarding the Board's Communication Committee.

**Motion #23R-122**

***Moved by G. Gustafson that the Board disband the Communication Committee effective immediately.***  
***Carried.***

**(a) Employee Bargaining Committees:**

- **Out of Scope Bargaining Committee:** *Darlene Rowden Alan Nunn*
- **CUPE Bargaining Committee:** *Jaimie Smith-Windsor*
- **LINC Bargaining Committee:** *Alan Nunn*

**(b) Operational Committees:**

- **Student Discipline Committee:**  
*Cher Bloom Bill Gerow Grant Gustafson Darlene Rowden*
- **Principal Selection Committee:** *Arne Lindberg*
- **Vice-Principal Selection Committee:** *Barry Hollick*

**(c) Committees with Third Parties:**

- **Saskatchewan High School Athletic Association:** *Bill Yeaman*
- **Public Section Executive Member:** *Alan Nunn*
- **City/Board Liaison Committee:** *Barry Hollick Arne Lindberg Darlene Rowden*

**(d) Standing Committees/Ad Hoc Committees:**

- **Saskatchewan Rivers Students for Change:**  
*Bill Gerow Grant Gustafson Barry Hollick Jaimie Smith-Windsor*  
*Michelle Vickers*
- **Board Development Committee (BDC):**  
*Cher Bloom Bill Gerow Alan Nunn*
- **Facilities Committee:**  
*Cher Bloom Grant Gustafson Darlene Rowden Bill Yeaman*
- **Policy Committee:**  
*Entire Board*



