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NO. #2022R-6 (MONDAY, APRIL 4, 2022)

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SASKATCHEWAN RIVERS PUBLIC SCHOOL DIVISION NO. 119 FOR THE BOARD OF EDUCATION HELD ON MONDAY, APRIL 4, 2022 AT 4:00 P.M. IN THE SEMINAR 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, Board Chair
MR. A. LINDBERG, Trustee

MR. A. NUNN, Trustee
MS. D. ROWDEN, Vice-Chair
MS. J. SMITH-WINDSOR, Trustee (virtual)
DR. M. VICKERS, Trustee (virtual)
MR. B. YEAMAN, Trustee (left at 5:20 p.m.)

SENIOR ADMINISTRATION

Mr. R. Bratvold, Director of Education

Mr. J. Pidborochynski, Chief Financial Officer (virtual)

Mrs. J. Ward, Administrative Services Officer

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

Board Chair B. Hollick completed the land acknowledgement at an earlier session with the Board.

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

MOTION TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION:

#22R-28

Moved by B. Yeaman that the meeting move into Closed Session with Board and Administration present.

Carried.

Regular meeting resumed.

STUDENT TRUSTEES

T. McCallum

D.Vidal

OTHERS

M. Oleksyn, Daily Herald reporter (virtual)

E. Arcand, SRSC student representative

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA:

#21R-29

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

Carried.

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CONSENT ITEMS:

#22R-30

Moved by A. Lindberg that the following consent items be approved:

- (a) Adoption of the Minutes for the Regular meeting of March 14, 2022;*
 - (b) Board Committee/Representative Updated Terms of Reference for 2021-2022;*
- Carried.*

NEW BUSINESS:

(a) Verbal Update – SRSC Committee

D. Vidal/T. McCallum provided a verbal report on the individual high schools' activities that have taken place to date and upcoming events.

(b) Verbal Update Regarding Rural Congress

C. Bloom and A. Nunn provided a verbal update regarding the sessions they had attended at the recent Rural Congress. A. Nunn will share the presentation he attended.

(c) Canadian School Boards Association Conference – July 2022

B. Hollick indicated that the Canadian School Boards Association conference will be held in Saskatoon from July 6 to 8, 2022. If trustees are interested, please contact J. Ward.

(d) Verbal Update on the Policy Committee

G. Gustafson, Chair of the Policy Committee, indicated that the Committee has a tentative annual work plan for the year. The Committee will bring forward a plan for its annual policy review for information.

ACCOUNTABILITY REPORTS

(a) Facilities Accountability Report

#21R-31

Moved by A. Nunn 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) Director's Update

R. Bratvold provided an update on:

- Student learning
 - As part of the ISSI work the division track several pieces of data, and some initial credit attainment data from blocks 1-3 shows some improvement compared to last year.
 - The review and renewal of SRPSD Framework for Inclusive Education is well underway. This year is used to identify current successes and challenges with regards to our processes and services to support inclusive education and next year (2022-23) will include the development of an action plan.

- Partnerships:
 - Transition of high school busing continues to proceed as City Transit provides updates on their progress.
 - Childcare partnerships continue to grow. Prince Albert Cooperative Childcare have expressed appreciation for the growing relationships. We are exploring sites in several schools.
 - Conversations to operationalize the partnership with Dumont Technical Institute are scheduled for later this week to provide greater service to students seeking adult basic education in the area.
- External Safety audit to confirm COR certification is underway. Results are expected in the coming weeks.
- Ministry and Provincial happenings:
 - The 2022-23 Interim Education Plan is nearing completion as the teams have finalized the plans for presentation to the PEP leadership in the coming weeks. The work on the three priorities (Learning Supports, Reading and Mental Health & Wellbeing) is focused on responding to the pandemic needs, but a portion is aimed at a smooth transition to the long-term PEP.
 - Implementation of the MySchoolSask software is proceeding as all provincial school systems are now implementing the platform.
 - We have received official word that the Ministry of Education will be resuming provincial examinations (departmentals) as per the pre-pandemic state for the 2022-23 school year.
- The March 23 provincial budget contained what the division expected. The province continues to fail to recognize school division's fixed cost increases for non-teaching staff, fuel, and various other operational needs. There was no recognition of the pressure schools are facing to address the mental health and well-being needs of staff and students. Due to the difficult cuts the Division made in the last two years and our enrolment increase, our budget will be manageable.
- SRPSD did not get any of our capital projects listed as approved or in the top 10 next projects. Frustrations persist with the absence of our projects on the provincial priority list, especially with the potential WP Sandin & Shellbrook Elementary consolidation. The community and both schools' SCC have expressed support for the project and conversations with Ministry officials have not identified any missing elements in our documentation or background information. Further conversations with Ministry officials are underway.

MOTION TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION:

#22R-32

Moved by B. Yeaman that the meeting move into Closed Session with Board and Administration present.

Carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

(a) Motions from the Closed Session of April 4, 2022:

#22R-33

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

- 1. That the revised Board Remuneration Guidelines be approved as amended, effective September 1, 2022.
Carried.***
- 2. That appreciation be extended to the Board Indemnity Committee for its work and that the Committee be disbanded effective immediately.
Carried.***
- 3. That the Board approve the Financial Statements for the Charity and Scholarship Fund for the year ended December 31, 2021.
Carried.***

THREE KEY MESSAGES FOR SCC/PUBLIC FROM BOARD MEETING:

- SRSC Presentation on Priorities;
- Inclusion Education Leadership;
- Facilities Report/School Tours.

BOARD MEMBERS' FORUM:

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

ADJOURNMENT:

#22R-34

Moved by A. Lindberg that the meeting adjourn. (7:20 p.m.)

Carried.

SIGNATURES:



Board Chair



Administrative Services Officer



Date of Approval