

**Regular Meeting of the Board
Minutes**

Thursday, May 27, 2021
Craig M. Stahlke Board Room
Administration Office
181 Henlow Bay, Winnipeg, MB R3Y 1M7

1. ATTENDANCE

Trustees:

K. McMillan, S. Billinghamurst, J. Fisher, D. Johnson, T. Johnson, G. Melnyk, C. Nachtigall,
D. Zuk

Administration:

T. Fransen, Superintendent
L. Boles, Assistant Superintendent - Divisional Support Services
E. Egan, Assistant Superintendent - Human Resources
J. Tomy, Assistant Superintendent - Curriculum and Learning Services
N. Wood, Secretary-Treasurer

Regrets: J. Glenat

2. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 8:05 p.m.

D. Johnson will be attending the meeting late.

3. AGENDA APPROVAL

D. Zuk asked that the Education Minutes be pulled and added to agenda under 13.3.

Resolution # BD20210527.1001

Moved By T. Johnson

Seconded By S. Billinghamurst

THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

Carried

4. BOARD MINUTES APPROVAL

Resolution # BD20210527.1002

Moved By G. Melnyk

Seconded By C. Nachtigall

THAT the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board held on May 13, 2021, be approved as circulated.

Carried

5. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS, SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS AND OTHER REPORTS

Resolution # BD20210527.1003

Moved By D. Zuk

Seconded By S. Billinghamurst

THAT the Standing Committee Reports, Special Committee Report and Other Reports be received as information and,

THAT the Teacher Contracts (Permanent and Term) as listed in the Teacher Contracts Report dated May 27, 2021, be ratified and,

THAT the Teacher Contract Alterations as listed in the Contract Alterations Report dated May 27, 2021, be approved and,

THAT the Substitute Teacher Contracts as listed in the 2020-21 Substitute Teacher Contracts Report dated May 27, 2021, be ratified and,

THAT the Board accept, with regret, the Resignations as listed in the Resignations Report dated May 27, 2021.

Carried

10. BUSINESS FROM PREVIOUS COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE WHOLE

10.1 Music Consultant Position - Letter from Music Teacher

The Board shared their appreciation regarding all of the letters they have received with regard to the reduction of the music consultant position.

C. Nachtigall stated that over the past few years many difficult budget decisions have had to be made and this was regrettably one of them.

Resolution # BD20210527.1004

Moved By D. Zuk

Seconded By J. Fisher

WHEREAS the correspondence received from the Pembina Trails Music Educators regarding an appeal to eliminate the music consultant position in the 2021/22 budget, has been duly considered;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the request to reinstate the music consultant position in 2021/22 be denied.

Carried

10.2 Delegation: Schools of Choice Ecole Tuxedo Park

Resolution # BD20210527.1005

Moved By D. Zuk

Seconded By T. Johnson

Whereas the matter brought forward by the delegation has been duly considered;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Schools of Choice application for student #738099 be approved.

Carried

10.3 Trustee Leave of Absence - J. Glenat

Resolution # BD20210527.1006

Moved By D. Zuk

Seconded By G. Melnyk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT a leave of absence be granted to Trustee Glenat until June 30, 2021.

Carried

11. BY-LAWS AND/OR POLICIES

11.1 By-Law No. 143 - Procedural Delegations

Resolution # BD20210527.1007

Moved By J. Fisher

Seconded By C. Nachtigall

THAT By-Law No. 143 - Procedural Delegations, be given second and third reading and passed.

Carried

13. STANDING AND SPECIAL/ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORTS

13.3 Education Committee

D. Zuk spoke to the Education Committee minutes and asked the Assistant Superintendent, Curriculum and Learning Services to highlight the new mobile vision care initiative.

The Assistant Superintendent, Curriculum and Learning Services, shared details of the mobile eye examination clinic that was piloted at Westdale and Westgrove schools. She advised that on-site vision care and eye examinations for the entire student population took place and a number of students were identified as requiring corrective vision care.

Out of 81 Westgrove students it was determined that nine (9) were identified as needing corrective eyewear.

172 Westdale students were tested and it was determined that 22 of those students were identified as needing glasses.

The Assistant Superintendent, Curriculum and Learning Services, advised that all COVID-19 guidelines were followed. She was happy to announce that 12 additional schools will be taking part in this new annual mobile vision care initiative.

Resolution # BD20210527.1008

Moved By G. Melnyk

Seconded By D. Zuk

THAT the Education Committee minutes be accepted as information.

Carried

13.5 Human Resources and Policy Committee

13.5.1 Policy FEI - Creative Playground Structures

D. Zuk asked if there was any community response.

The Assistant Superintendent Divisional Support Services advised no, only one response for clarification.

Resolution # BD20210527.1009

Moved By J. Fisher

Seconded By T. Johnson

THAT Policy FEI - Creative Playground be given second and third reading and passed.

Carried

14. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

14.1 School Administration Appointments

The interview and selection process have now been completed for the following school administration appointments.

It would now be in order for the board to ratify the appointments.

The Superintendent shared that this should be the final appointments for the 2021-22 school year.

Resolution # BD20210527.1010

Moved By J. Fisher

Seconded By C. Nachtigall

THAT the Board approve the appointment of Dianne Wiebe as Vice-Principal of Ecole South Pointe School effective the 2021-22 school year and,

THAT the Board approve the appointment of Stephanie Isaac as Vice-Principal of Ecole Dieppe effective the 2021-22 school year.

Carried

14.2 COVID-19 Update

The Superintendent shared the details of the provincial announcement that remote learning has been extended by one week with the anticipated end date of June 7, 2021.

The Superintendent shared brief details regarding the provincial COVID funding grant for the 2021-22 school year. T. Johnson asked what the amount is. The ST advised approximately \$2.8 M.

T. Johnson spoke to learning loss and the possibility of students repeating a grade. He asked if there has been any discussion with the province regarding this. The Superintendent advised that there has been no discussion with regard to this to date. The Superintendent, by way of follow-up, informed trustees that this topic was getting some traction in social media across the province.

14.3 Kindergarten Enrolment Report

The Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources, shared the details of the Kindergarten Enrolment Report.

She advised that Pembina Trails has implemented a new enrolment process using *Permission Click*.

The Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources, shared some challenges with regard to lower than anticipated enrolment numbers and the impact that not having in person Kindergarten open houses played. She also shared that the new registration process implemented may reflect some of these numbers but is confident that there will be a large number of kindergarten students joining Pembina Trails in 2021/22.

The Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources, will be connecting with Prairie Pointe developers to gauge a timeline as to when new families would be moving in and how this can affect enrolment numbers.

Resolution # BD20210527.1011

Moved By J. Fisher

Seconded By C. Nachtigall

THAT the Kindergarten Enrolment Report be received as information.

Carried

16. CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION DISTRIBUTION LIST

D. Zuk asked if the trustees should be letting E. Vickers know if they would like handbooks. The Superintendent advised yes.

Resolution # BD20210527.1012

Moved By C. Nachtigall

Seconded By J. Fisher

THAT the Correspondence for Information Distribution List dated May 27, 2021, be received as information.

Carried

17. QUESTIONS FROM TRUSTEES

C. Nachtigall asked if there were any updates with regard to the new schools in Waverley West.

The Assistant Superintendent, Divisional Support Services, advised that the tender for the K-8 school went out and closes on June 8, 2021.

D. Zuk shared that a number of community members have reached out to the board seeking additional information regarding Bill 64.

She advised that the board has reviewed the Bill and has asked that information and resources be placed on the Pembina Trails website for the community's information.

D. Zuk asked that the phone number where community members can register to present to the province on Bill 64 be included on our website. The Superintendent responded with a comment that our website had included links to Bill 64 information, and that he would confirm that it was still available to the public

D. Zuk shared brief details surrounding the board's action plan and response to Bill 64. The board plans to connect with parents and the community as a whole in the Fall. In the meantime, she encouraged the community to visit Louis Riel School Division's website where additional information regarding Bill 64 can be found.

The board and senior administration congratulated Lisa Chase, Senior Executive Assistant to the Superintendent, on her new role in the Presidents Office at the University of Manitoba and thanked her for her dedicated service for the last five years.

18. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE

A member of the public asked for additional information regarding the music consultant position and the board's response.

In response to a question from a member of the public, K. McMillan shared that a response letter with respect to the music consultant position will be released tomorrow morning to the music teacher delegation. A member of the public asked how the responsibilities of that eliminated role will be supported. The Assistant Superintendent, Curriculum and Learning Services, advised that it may not look the same, but supports will be in place for a smooth transition.

In response to a question from a member of the public, K. McMillan and the Superintendent shared details regarding the budget process and how in a typical budget year, the draft budget is released in February. They advised that the board must exercise care in the level of details that are shared with the public, as it may be possible to associate a budget line item with specific people.

The Superintendent encouraged music teachers to share their concerns and issues about music education with their school administrators.

K. McMillan shared that this was the most difficult budget year she has been apart of, and the decisions were not made easily.

The Superintendent made note of the fact that our recording secretary, senior executive assistant, L. Chase was moving on to another position at the University of Manitoba. He wished her well in her new position.

20. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 8:56 p.m.

Chair of the Board

Secretary-Treasurer