

Regular Meeting of the Board

Minutes

Thursday, October 24, 2019

Start Time:

Board Room

Administration Office

181 Henlow Bay, Winnipeg, MB R3Y 1M7

1. ATTENDANCE

Trustees:

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

Administration:

T. Fransen, Superintendent

E. Egan, Assistant Superintendent - Human Resources

I. Riffel, Assistant Superintendent - Program

C. Stahlke - Secretary-Treasurer

Regrets: L. Boles, J. Tomy

2. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 8:09 p.m.

3. AGENDA APPROVAL

Resolution # **BD20191024.1001**

Moved By D. Johnson

Seconded By T. Johnson

THAT the agenda be approved as circulated

Carried

4. BOARD MINUTES APPROVAL

Resolution # **BD20191024.1002**

Moved By K. McMillan

Seconded By T. Johnson

THAT the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board held on October 10, 2019, be approved as circulated.

Carried

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

Resolution # BD20191024.1003

Moved By K. McMillan

Seconded By D. Zuk

THAT the Standing Committee Reports, Special Committee Report and Other Reports be received as information save and except that the Report of the October 10, Committee Meeting of the Whole which was received as corrected, and,

THAT the Teacher Contracts (Permanent and Term) as listed in the Teacher Contracts Report dated October 24, 2019, be ratified and,

THAT the Teacher Contract Alterations as listed in the Contract Alterations Report dated October 24, 2019, be approved and,

THAT the Substitute Teacher Contracts as listed in the 2019-20 Substitute Teacher Contracts Report dated October 24, 2019, be ratified and,

THAT the Board accept, with regret, the Resignations as listed in the Resignations Report dated October 24, 2019.

Carried

13. STANDING AND SPECIAL/ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORTS

13.1 Buildings, Property and Transportation Committee

13.1.1 Transportation Policy - Hazardous Roadways

J. Fisher asked if the concern which was raised is the hazardous roadway or the student getting to schools due to distance. T. Johnson said there is a seat sale cost which we would charge to students. G. Melnyk asked if the Committee is going to contact Metro Transit about subsidized routes. The study was to be inclusive of the cost of purchase or lease of additional buses and how to accommodate the buses. T Johnson said that there may be a need to make a change to the November BPT Meeting to meet the November 28 timeline for submission into the Draft Budget.

Resolution # BD20191024.1004

Moved By T. Johnson

Seconded By C. Nachtigall

THAT the Board approve a Budget Study to review the cost for the following:

- Busing students in grades 7, 8, 9;
- Cost for seat sales and result of adding new routes;
- Implications of redefining hazardous roadways in Policy;
- Review of crossing guards;
- Comparative seat sale costs between school divisions within Metro Winnipeg

Carried

13.2 Communication and Community Relations Committee

13.3 Education Committee

13.3.1 Policy IHBF - Home Instruction Distance Learning

The Assistant Superintendent, Program, said that this change will be a help for the Administration to ensure that supporting students' learning at home would be for students registered in our schools and not intended for students who are home schooled.

It was generally agreed to send this item back to the Education Committee to amend to reflect the support is intended for registered students.

13.3.2 Budget Study Topic - Indigenous Education

The Assistant Superintendent, Program, said that this recommendation is to provide an additional Aboriginal Student Success Teacher. He said that access to elders would be made available to new schools. He said that there are five recommendations not all of which have budgetary implications. He said that presentations from various sources could be arranged which will inform the Board. He felt that this is the most conservative choice of the options which were available.

The Assistant Superintendent, Program, said that there is still a gap between our indigenous students and other students. He believes that we have other resources being applied which will help our indigenous students succeed.

It was generally agreed that Iain bring forth a report to the Board which report is intended to assist the Board in making a decision regarding whether to include this recommendation in the 2020/21 Budget.

Resolution # BD20191024.1005

Moved By G. Melnyk

Seconded By K. McMillan

THAT the Board approve the recommendations from the Budget Study - Indigenous Education for the Draft 2020-21 Budget.

Carried

13.3.3 MSBA 2020 Convention Resolution - Vaccinations

K. McMillan said that Ontario and new Brunswick have laws which require up to date vaccinations for students to enter school and B.C. is considering the same legislation. There is concern that vaccination resistance is becoming a public health risk. G. Melnyk said that Nova Scotia is also considering the same legislation. There was a discussion as to the Resolution and the need for having students being vaccinated. J Fisher asked if we have the right to require such vaccinations. The Superintendent suggested that without Provincial authority, we probably could not enforce such a rule. T. Johnson asked about improving the Resolution and providing more substance. J Fisher suggested the resolution which was brought forth by Region 1 at the last convention. J. Fisher could send the Region 1 Resolution and share it with all Trustees.

Resolution # BD20191024.1006

Moved By G. Melnyk

Seconded By K. McMillan

THAT the Board approve submitting a Resolution for the 2020 MSBA Convention with respect to vaccinations as a prerequisite for attendance in Manitoba schools.

Carried

14. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

14.1 Reconciliation Student Projection/Actual 2019-20

The Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources, reported on the Student Projection/Actual enrolment reconciliation. She said that the data is included in the report on a school by school basis. There are 14,636 actual enrolment which is 166 above the projection. She responded to questions from Trustees and

highlighted certain individual schools. The Superintendent said that schools of choice students at VMC and FRC have to be restricted or not permitted at all given the growth in the Division.

Resolution # BD20191024.1007

Moved By D. Zuk

Seconded By J. Fisher

THAT the report from the Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources, be received as information.

Carried

15. NEW BUSINESS

15.1 CSBA 2019 Congress

J. Fisher reported on her experience at the 2019 CSBA Congress in Toronto, Ontario. She said that there were sessions regarding indigenous education and success of indigenous students. She reviewed the speakers and the subjects which they addressed and some of the exchanges among the participants.

Resolution # BD20191024.1008

Moved By K. McMillan

Seconded By T. Johnson

THAT the report be received as information.

Carried

16. CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION DISTRIBUTION LIST

Resolution # BD20191024.1009

Moved By T. Johnson

Seconded By D. Johnson

THAT the Correspondence for Information Distribution List dated October 18, 2019, be received as information.

Carried

17. QUESTIONS FROM TRUSTEES

D. Zuk asked if Trustees are aware of the Better Business Bureau supplement in the Winnipeg Free Press. She said that the LIFT program and Shaftesbury were referenced in the supplement.

18. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE

The Assistant Superintendent, Program, introduced the Leadership Development Program participants present this evening.

19. REQUIREMENT FOR A COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE WHOLE

20. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 9:55 p.m.

Chair of the Board

Secretary-Treasurer