

Regular Meeting of the Board

Minutes

Thursday, February 24, 2022
Craig M. Stahlke Board Room
Administration Office
181 Henlow Bay, Winnipeg, MB R3Y 1M7

1. Recognition of Treaty Land

We acknowledge with respect the history, spirituality and culture of the peoples with whom Treaty One was signed and the land upon which Pembina Trails School Division resides. We acknowledge our responsibility as Treaty members and honour the heritage and gifts of the Red River Métis. We commit to moving forward in partnership with Indigenous communities in a spirit of collaboration and reconciliation.

2. ATTENDANCE

Trustees:

K. McMillan, J. Fisher, J. Glenat (TEAMs), D. Johnson, T. Johnson, G. Melnyk, C. Nachtigall, D. Zuk

Administration:

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

Regrets: Nil

3. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 8:06pm.

4. AGENDA APPROVAL

Resolution # BD20220224.1001

Moved By G. Melnyk Seconded By T. Johnson

THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

Carried

5. BOARD MINUTES APPROVAL

Correction: Attendance for the February 17, 2022, Special Meeting of the Board corrected to reflect J. Fisher regrets.

Resolution # BD20220224.1002

Moved By C. Nachtigall Seconded By D. Johnson

THAT the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board held on February 10, 2022, be approved as circulated and,

THAT the minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board held on February 17, 2022, be approved as corrected.

Carried

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

Resolution # BD20220224.1003

Moved By D. Zuk Seconded By J. Fisher

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 February 24, 2022, be ratified and,

THAT the Teacher Contract Alterations as listed in the Contract Alterations Report dated February 24, 2022, be approved and,

THAT the Substitute Teacher Contracts as listed in the 2021-22 Substitute Teacher Contracts Report dated February 24, 2022, be ratified and,

THAT the Board accept, with regret, the resignations report dated February 24, 2022.

Carried

7. DELEGATIONS

7.1 PTTA Delegation

The President of the PTTA made a presentation to the Board with respect to the draft budget. The PTTA President will provide a copy of the presentation to the Board.

The content of items that PTTA addressed included comments of appreciation in general, and some concerns in the following areas:

- 1) Staffing
- 2) Expansion
- Programming
- 4) Planning

11. BUSINESS FROM PREVIOUS COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE WHOLE

11.1 MSBA 2022 Convention - Digital Voting Ballots

Resolution # BD20220224.1004

Moved By D. Zuk Seconded By D. Johnson

WHEREAS, the Manitoba School Boards Association is being held virtually in 2022, and requires a Trustee designate and backup to communicate the votes during the convention,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Trustee J. Fisher be designated to communicate the Pembina Trails votes to the Manitoba School Boards Association and Trustee D. Zuk serve as backup.

Carried

11.2 Bairdmore Catchment - Middle Years Option

The following Notice of Motion will be shared with the public on February 25, 2022.

THAT beginning in September 2022 students living in the current Bairdmore school catchment would attend Acadia School as they leave Bairdmore and students living in Prairie Pointe would attend Arthur A. Leach as they leave Bairdmore.

It was noted that the original Bairdmore School catchment, not including the temporary placement of students currently living in Prairie Pointe, has historically been an option area, in that students could choose to attend either Acadia or A.A. Leach for grades 7-9. This motion would eliminate the optional aspect of the catchment.

11.3 Changes to Protocol on Spectators in our schools

The Superintendent provided an update with respect to the new public health orders that had been released by the Province on February 24. The new PHOs confirmed that the education sector will be included in the lifting of the vaccine requirement as of March 1. He noted that, consistent with the Board's

commitment to review the matter of spectators attending after school events in our schools, the Board considered the new information and will allow masked spectators at indoor school activities effective March 1, 2022.

Resolution # BD20220224.1005

Moved By D. Zuk Seconded By G. Melnyk

THAT, consistent with Provincial Public Health Orders, the Board approve masked spectators be permitted at indoor school activities as of March 1, 2022.

Carried

11.4 RFQ2022-01 Award re Purchase of Two New Buses

The Secretary Treasurer advised the Trustees that two (2) buses that were involved in accidents need to be replaced.

Resolution # BD20220224.1006

Moved By D. Zuk Seconded By G. Melnyk

WHEREAS the Division has recently experienced two (2) total loss accidents involving school buses; and further

THAT the Division has received three (3) quotes for two (2) replacement seventy passenger school buses in response to RFQ2022-001 from Fairway Specialty Vehicles, Maxim Truck & Trailer and Transolutions Truck Centres

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Division approve the purchase of two (2) seventy passenger school buses, plus installation of video recording systems to Fairway Specialty Vehicles; and further

THAT the Board approve a withdrawal from the Capital Bus Reserve up to an amount of \$311,000 to fund the purchase of the two (2) replacement buses.

Carried

14. STANDING AND SPECIAL/ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORTS

14.3 Finance, Buildings, Property and Transportation

14.3.1 Long-Term Promissory Note #LTPS0502

Resolution # BD20220224.1007

Moved By G. Melnyk Seconded By T. Johnson WHEREAS it is deemed necessary to provide a Resolution to the Provincial Education Funding Branch to issue a long-term promissory note;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Trustees of the Pembina Trails School Division approve the issuing of a debentures for the following project:

- Ecole South Pointe School Modular Classrooms (2)
- Ecole Crane Structural Upgrade
- Oakenwald School Structural Upgrade
- Ecole Charleswood School Roof and Foundation Upgrade

Carried

15. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

15.1 Optic Fibre License Agreements

The Secretary Treasurer provided an update on an amendment to the Optical Fibre Conduit Lease agreement that was approved due to wording that wasn't accurate. The Secretary Treasurer worked with LIT to determine terms of the agreement and amended the language.

Resolution # BD20220224.1008

Moved By G. Melnyk Seconded By D. Johnson

THAT the revised Optical Fibre Conduit Lease Agreement between the Pembina Trails School Division and MRNet Networking, Inc. for the period September 1, 2021 to June 30, 2023, be approved.

Carried

15.2 Changes to Public Health Orders

The Superintendent reported that consistent with the new PHO published earlier today, as of March 1, 2022 any Pembina Trails staff who opted to not be vaccinated for COVID-19 will no longer need to be tested. The attestation program will come to an end on February 28, 2022.

Resolution # BD20220224.1009

Moved By C. Nachtigall Seconded By J. Fisher

THAT the Board receive the report from the Superintendent as information.

Carried

17. CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION DISTRIBUTION LIST

Resolution # BD20220224.1010

Moved By J. Fisher Seconded By D. Johnson

THAT the Correspondence for Information Distribution List dated February 24, 2022, be received as information.

Carried

18. QUESTIONS FROM TRUSTEES

In response to a question about menstrual products being made available to our students at no cost, the Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources and Policy, advised that school guidance counselors and student support teams always have feminine hygiene products available for students when requested.

19. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE

A member of the public asked for clarification about vaccination status for volunteers in the schools. It was clarified that proof of vaccination status will no longer be required for any visitors or volunteers to our schools and division buildings.

21. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 8:58pm.
Chair of the Board
Secretary-Treasurer