

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the Prairie Spirit Division No. 206 held in the Prairie Spirit School Division Office on Friday, May 19, 2006 commencing at 10:00 a.m.

Present for the meeting were Board Members Andrew Bergen, Sam Dyck, Norbert Hirschhorn, Bernie Howe, Harold Klassen, Merla McIntyre, Larry Pavloff, Cathy Taylor, Evelyn Novak, Director of Education; and Jim Shields, Superintendent of Finance and Administration

Chairperson Klassen called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Absent: Darrel Wiebe, Gerald Yausie, Natalie Keewatin

1. Agenda
Taylor

That the agenda be adopted as amended.

Carried.

2. Minutes
Hirschhorn

That the May 1, 2006 minutes be adopted as circulated.

Carried.

3. School
Boundaries
McIntyre

That we adopt the Prairie Spirit School Attendance Protocol.

Carried.

4. Office Space
Request
Hirschhorn

That we support the request from the Prairie Spirit Teachers' Association for office and meeting space in the new office renovation.

Carried.

Natalie Keewatin joined the meeting at 10:20 a.m.

5. VCA Missions
Trip
Bergen

That the Board recognizes the value of learning opportunities of student travel and therefore supports student travel both in Canada and outside its boundaries.

Carried.

6. Interest-Based
Negotiations
Taylor

That the Board support the Interest-based negotiations process as with our staff.

Carried.

7. Foreign
Students
McIntyre

That we adopt the Foreign Students attendance Protocol.

Carried.

8. ACT NOW

Request

Howe

That the Board support the request for the ACT NOW group from Stobart Community High School to attend the International World Peace Educators conference at UBC.

Carried.

11. Land Transfer

Request

Howe

That the Board deny the request for land transfer from Colonsay District to Clavet District.

Carried

12. Legal Request

from MacDermid &

Lamarsh

Taylor

That we continue with Board policy regarding parental requirement to pay tuition fees for students attending Saskatoon schools.

Carried.

13. Request from

the Director

Hirschhorn

That we approve the proposal from the Director of Education regarding early office closure on June 26, 2006.

Carried.

The Board recessed at 12:20 p.m.

The Board reconvened at 1:00 p.m.

14. Technology

Strategic Plan

Bergen

That we adopt the Technology Strategic Plan as presented by the administration.

Carried.

15. Closed Session That the we go into closed session at 1:13 pm

Pavloff

Carried.

16. Closed Session That we return from closed session at 1:38 p.m.

Howe

Carried.

17. CUPE

Negotiations

Howe

That I (Bernie Howe) be allowed to withdraw from the CUPE (West) bargaining team as I was unable to attend the first Interest Based Negotiations sessions, allowing the continued relationship building for interest based bargaining to ensure a successful process in developing a new contract.

Carried.

18. Strategic Plan

Dyck That we adopt the Strategic Plan for Improved Student Learning.

Carried

19. Opening Day

Howe That we approve the Opening Day Breakfast for Prairie Spirit S.D. to be held at Centennial Auditorium on August 28, 2006 as submitted by the Director.

Carried

20. Staffing of Schools

Allocation

Pavloff That we approve the professional staffing proposal for Schools at 549.24 plus 1% leeway.

Carried

21. Financial Statements

Klassen That accept the 2005 Audited Financial Statements and Public Accounts Statements for the former Saskatoon (East), Saskatoon (West) and Saskatchewan Valley School Divisions; and that we adopt the 2005 Audited Financial Statements for the Prairie Spirit School Division.

Carried

16. Adjourn

Howe That the meeting be adjourned at 3:15 p.m. Next meeting to be held on June 5, 2006 at the Prairie Spirit School Division Office in Warman at 9:00 a.m.

Carried.

Chairperson

Superintendent of Finance and Administration