

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the Prairie Spirit School Division No. 206 held in the Prairie Spirit School Division Office, on Friday, April 16, 2010, commencing at 9:00 a.m.

Present for the meeting were Board Members: Andrew Bergen; Sam Dyck; Lorraine Greyeyes; Joan Heath (left at 3:00 p.m.); Bonnie Hope; Bernie Howe (arrived at 9:33 a.m.); Louis LeDoux; Cathy Taylor; Keith Wagner; Pam Wieler; Gerald Yausie; Reg Nicolas, Principal, and Michael Cox, Vice Principal, Stobart Elementary Community School, Karen Campbell, Superintendent of Schools and Learning, Evelyn Novak, Director of Education; Brenda Erickson, Communications Consultant; and Nadine Meister, Assistant to the Director.

Absent: Larry Pavloff

Andrew Bergen called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Pascale Yee and David Yee joined the meeting at 9:00 a.m.

1. THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.

Agenda
Yausie

Carried.

2. THAT the March 29, 2010, minutes be adopted as presented.

Minutes
Dyck

Carried.

Pascale Yee, student from Valley Manor Elementary School, and her father, David Yee, made a presentation to the Board about Pascale's trip to the 2010 Olympics held in Vancouver, BC, with McDonald's Champion Kids program.

Pascale Yee and David Yee left the meeting at 9:30 a.m.

Bernie Howe joined the meeting at 9:33 a.m.

Committee Reports:

Advocacy Committee – Andrew Bergen reviewed committee report and possible meeting dates to meet with the new Catholic Board in Martensville were discussed. As well, meeting dates to meet with the City of Martensville were also discussed.

Partnership Committee – Louis advised a meeting time in May might be a possibility. Evelyn is following up with Muskeg Lake.

HBE Liaison Committee – AGM is being held on April 29, 2010.

LINC Negotiation Committee – possibly last meeting held on April 13, 2010.

Career Development Action Team – will be making a presentation to the Board at the June 7, 2010, meeting.

Reg Nicolas and Michael Cox of Stobart Elementary Community School began their presentation with some statistics. Eighty-two percent of students are of First Nations ancestry. Fourteen percent are Métis and 4% are non-aboriginal. Sixty-five percent of their staff are of First Nations/Métis ancestry or cross-culturally trained. Michael and Reg shared information on their Curriculum Integration program. Traditional teachings and values are incorporated to increase relevancy in learning and taking responsibility towards future student thinking and action. Grant money is used to provide teacher with release days to work on integrating First Nations and Métis content, knowledge and perspectives into all subject areas, as well as purchasing student and teacher resources. Stobart would like to share the work they have done with this program with other schools. They also expressed excitement about moving into the new facility in 2010/11.

3. THAT the Board approve Sam Dyck as the Board Representative on the Warman Building Project.

Warman
Building
Project
Howe

Carried.

Further discussion was held on the SSBA's Public Section's branding exercise and Gerald Yausie will take Board comments back to the Public Section at their next meeting.

4. THAT the Board affirm Board of Education Policy GP-10 – Board Linkage with Ownership.

Policy GP-10
Taylor

Carried.

5. THAT the Board amend Board of Education Policy GP-12 – Board Planning Cycle and Agenda Control by changing the date in section 1 from May 15 to June 30.

Policy GP-12
Wagner

Carried.

6. THAT the Board affirm Board of Education Policy GP-13 – Governance Succession Planning.

Policy GP-13
Taylor

Carried.

7. THAT the Board affirm Board of Education Policy BMD-3 – Delegation to the Director of Education.

Policy
BMD-3
LeDoux

Carried.

Sam Dyck provided a self-monitoring report on the Board's performance in relation to Board Policy GP-14 – Special Rules of Order and stated that board meetings are orderly and effective as run by the Chair.

The Board adjourned for lunch at 12:05 p.m.

Karen Campbell left the meeting at 12:05 p.m.

Reg Nicolas and Michael Cox left the meeting at 12:49 p.m.

The Board reconvened at 12:50 p.m.

8. THAT the Board go into closed session at 12:50 p.m.

Closed
Session
Wieler

Carried.

Cathy Taylor left the meeting at 12:50 p.m.

Cathy Taylor joined the meeting at 1:15 p.m.

Jim Shields, Superintendent of Finance, Administration and Planning, joined the meeting at 1:15 p.m.

9. THAT the Board return from closed session at 2:14 p.m.

Closed
Session
Dyck

Carried.

10. THAT the Board accepts that the EL-3 – Financial Planning Monitoring Report demonstrates compliance in all areas.

EL-3
Monitoring
Report
Yausie

Carried.

11. THAT the Board approve the personnel report as presented and the recommendation contained therein.

Personnel
Report
Howe

Carried.

12. THAT the Board approve the submission of the five-year capital plan as outlined by administration.

Decision
Report -
5-Year
Capital Plan
Yausie

Carried.

Jim Shields left the meeting at 2:29 p.m.

13. THAT the Board affirm Board Policy EL-3 – Financial Planning.

Policy EL-3
Greyeyes

Carried.

14. THAT the Board accepts that the EL-2 – Treatment of Staff Monitoring Report demonstrates compliance in all areas, other than those indicated as non-compliant. Compliance will be demonstrated as indicated by dates in report.

EL-2
Monitoring
Report
Wagner

Carried.

15. THAT the Board affirm Board Policy EL-2 – Treatment of Staff.

Policy EL-2
Heath

Carried.

16. THAT the Board approve the required approvals agenda as presented.

Required
Approvals
Wieler

Carried.

Keith Wagner provided a self-monitoring report on GP-15 – Handling of Operational Complaints and reported that the Board is in compliance.

Joan Heath left the meeting at 3:00 p.m.

11. THAT the meeting be adjourned at 3:21 p.m. The next meeting to be held on Monday, May 3, 2010, at 9:00 a.m., at the Prairie Spirit School Division Office, in Warman.

Adjourn
Bergen

Carried.

Chairperson

Superintendent of Finance,
Administration and Planning