

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of Prairie Spirit School Division No. 206 held in the Prairie Spirit School Division Office, on Tuesday, October 15, 2013, commencing at 11:00 a.m.

Present for the meeting were Board Members: Larry Pavloff, Chairperson; Sam Dyck, Vice Chairperson; Joanne Brochu; Ken Crush; Bonnie Hope (arrived at 12:28 p.m.); George Janzen; Cathy Taylor; Keith Wagner; and Pam Wieler (arrived at 1:49 p.m.).

Also in attendance: John Kuzbik, Director of Education; Jim Shields, Chief Financial Officer; Bob Bayles, Human Resources Superintendent (left at 3:09 p.m.); Brenda Erickson, Communications Consultant; and Nadine Meister, Secretary to the Board.

Absent: Deanna Greyeyes; Bernie Howe; Shantelle Watson.

The Board met as a Committee of the Whole from 9:00 until 11:35 a.m.

Larry Pavloff called the public meeting to order at 11:38 a.m.

The following items were added to the agenda at the Board's request:

- Hoshin Kanri Review
- School Visits
- Board Remuneration

1. THAT the agenda be adopted as amended to include the above noted items.

Agenda
Taylor

Carried.

2. THAT the minutes of September 23, 2013, be adopted as presented.

Minutes
Wagner

Carried.

3. THAT the Board grant excused absences for this meeting for Deanna Greyeyes and Bernie Howe.

Excused
Absence
Crush

Carried.

Jim Shields reviewed the Decision Report regarding draft audited financial statements for the period ending August 31, 2013. Jim stated the school division ended the year with a surplus of \$11,972,842, which was realized on revenues of \$118,893,251 and expenditures of \$106,920,409. Jim highlighted a variety of areas in the financial statements, including a write down of accounts receivable and reductions to the internally restricted surplus as noted below:

- School Community Councils (carry forward) reduced by \$3,772
- School Generated Funds (carry forward) reduced by 13,967
- Central Valley Athletic Committee (carry forward) reduced by \$3,918
- Noon Hour Supervision (accrued EDOs) reduced by \$268,319
- Admin Council Reserve (Division Office carry forward) reduced by \$56,105

- 4. THAT the Board approve the write-down of accounts receivable in the amount of \$96,940.16.

Decision Report – A/R Write Down Dyck

Carried.

- 5. THAT the Board approve the changes to the internally restricted surplus as noted above.

Decision Report – Internally Restricted Surplus Crush

Carried.

Bonnie Hope returned to the meeting at 12:28 p.m.
 The Board adjourned for lunch at 12:36 p.m.
 The Board reconvened at 1:05 p.m.

John Kuzbik reviewed the Decision Report relating to Performance Sponsorship Group. After a discussion, the Board agreed to table this matter until further notice.

Jim Shields reviewed the information report regarding the Tender for Audit. The results of the tender will be brought back to the Board next month for a decision.

The Board again reviewed additional revisions made to the funding resolution to be submitted to the SSBA AGM following presentation to the Public Section on September 26, 2013.

- 6. THAT the Board approve the submission of the revised funding resolution as attached to these minutes for consideration at the Saskatchewan School Boards Association’s Annual General Meeting.

SSBA AGM Funding Reso Crush

Carried.

The Board directed John Kuzbik to schedule Board visits to all schools in the Division starting as soon as possible.

Pam Wieler joined the meeting at 1:49 p.m.

The Board took time to clarify Board Policy GP-7 Board and Committee Expenses. Trustees can claim a full day indemnity for all Board meetings. All school board events and/or committee meetings attended can be claimed at the appropriate rate for every four hours or portion thereof. This is regardless of whether or not the events are on the same date.

John Kuzbik presented a review of a four-day Ministry workshop he attended on Hoshin Kanri.

The Board highlighted activities and meetings attended since the last Board meeting.

Bob Bayles left the meeting at 3:09 p.m.

The Board continued their policy review and reviewed sections BO-5 to BO-6.15. The Board agreed to remove BO-6.3.

10. THAT the meeting be adjourned at 3:19 p.m. The next meeting to be held on Monday, October 21, 2013, at 11:00 a.m., at the Prairie Spirit School Division Office, in Warman.

Adjourn
Pavloff

Carried.

Chairperson

Secretary to the Board



PRAIRIE SPIRIT SCHOOL DIVISION

Proposed:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Saskatchewan School Boards Association lobby the Government of Saskatchewan provide transition funding to those school divisions who are negatively impacted by funding levels for Locally Determined Terms and Conditions of Employment of Teachers that are significantly below the provincial average.

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Rationale:

To achieve equity, there should be a minimal variance in the average funding per teacher throughout the province.

The current variance is \$10,000 per teacher from the lowest to the average and \$18,000 per teacher from the lowest to the highest (*see chart below*). Most of these costs are the result of differences in the Locally Determined Terms and Conditions of Employment for Teachers (LDTC).

The transition funding should be no less than the funding levels provided in the first year of the new education funding model.

Locally Determined Terms and Conditions of Employment of Teachers 2013/14



Ministry of Education data