

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 Monday, December 20, 2010, commencing at 9:00 a.m.

Present for the meeting were Board Members: Andrew Bergen (arrived at 9:08 a.m.); Sam Dyck; Joan Heath; Bonnie Hope (arrived at 9:13 a.m.); Bernie Howe (left at 1:25 p.m.); Louis LeDoux; Cathy Taylor; Keith Wagner; Pam Wieler; Evelyn Novak, Director of Education; Brenda Erickson, Communications Consultant; and Nadine Meister, Secretary to the Board.

Absent: Lorraine Greyeyes; Larry Pavloff; Gerald Yausie

Sam Dyck, Board Vice Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:08 a.m.

Andrew arrived at 9:08 a.m.

A request was made to move item 10.3 (CEO Report) into discussion, if time permits, and therefore a closed session would be required.

1. THAT the agenda be adopted as amended.

Agenda
Heath

Carried.

2. THAT the minutes of December 6, 2010, be adopted as presented.

Minutes
Wieler

Carried.

Bonnie Hope arrived at 9:13 a.m.

MLA Meeting Follow-up – the Board agreed that future meetings should be held in Regina and that they should take place twice a year in the spring and fall (one prior and one following the provincial budget).

Meeting with Saskatoon School Boards – The Board expressed a desire to meet separately with both Saskatoon Public and Saskatoon Catholic School Boards of Education to discuss:

- Charitable foundation; and
- Joint use facilities

Noel Roche, Superintendent of Leadership and Learning, Diane Kendall, Coordinator, and Ed Brockman, Coordinator (Director-Designate), joined the meeting at 9:28 a.m.

Ed reviewed the Decision Report – Suspension Extension Request.

3. THAT the Board accepts the recommendation of Administration to suspend student until June 30, 2011. Administration is advised that the suspension can be revisited by the Board if health support and intervention is obtained by the student.

Decision
Report –
Suspension
Extension
Wagner

Carried.

Noel Roche, Diane Kendall and Ed Brockman left the meeting at 10:05 a.m.

Jim Shields, Superintendent of Finance, Administration and Planning, and Grant Drever, Conveyance Manager, joined the meeting at 10:06 a.m.

Grant Drever reviewed the Decision Report – Transfer of Land from Aberdeen Attendance Area to Clavet Attendance Area.

4. THAT the Board table this item until the next Board meeting scheduled for January 3, 2011.

Decision
Report –
Land Transfer
Howe

Carried.

Grant Drever left the meeting at 10:15 a.m.

Jim Shields reviewed the Decision Report – B1 Submissions for Block Projects.

5. THAT the Board approve the submission of the B1's as recommended by Administration.

Decision
Report – B1s
Howe

Carried.

Jim Shields reviewed the Decision Report – Bethany College Tax Exemption Request.

6. THAT the Board deny the request for taxation exemption for Bethany College based on the belief that this is a provincial government responsibility as they are the taxing authority.

Decision
Report –
Bethany
College
Howe

Andrew Bergen requested his opposed voted be on record.

Carried.

Evelyn Novak reviewed the Decision Report – 2011/12 Budget and requested Board input. After considerable discussion, the Board requested that this item return to the Board agenda on January 3, 2011, to allow Board members to prioritize items.

Jim Shields reviewed student fees and revisions to Administrative Policy 417 – Student Fees.

The Board adjourned for lunch at 12:04 p.m.

The Board reconvened at 12:37 p.m.

The Board discussed the LINC Agreement and the additional funds received from the government. The Board requested this item be tabled until January 3, 2011.

Jim Shields left the meeting at 12:50 p.m.

7. THAT the Board go into closed session at 12:51 p.m.

Closed
Session
Bergen

Carried.

Nadine Meister and Brenda Erickson left the meeting at 12:51 p.m.

Bernie Howe left the meeting at 1:25 p.m.

Nadine Meister and Brenda Erickson joined the meeting at 1:26 p.m.

8. THAT the Board return from closed session at 1:26 p.m.

Closed
Session
Hope

Carried.

The Board discussed the response to the CUPE letter and requested that a draft response letter be prepared in time for consideration at the Board Winter Retreat scheduled for January 31-February 1, 2011.

The Board Chair and PSTA Chair will meet to plan the agenda for the PSTA Liaison Meeting scheduled for Thursday, January 13, 2011.

As per Section 154 of *The Education Act*, Administration is requesting the Board establish a Discipline Committee that can be utilized in the case of a hearing to extend a student suspension of ten days. The principal is authorized to suspend for up to ten days, however, there may be instances, when a Board Meeting is not scheduled. There are some cases where depending on the seriousness of the action of the student, may require further work with the student, beyond the ten-day suspension, before returning to school.

9. THAT the Discipline Committee consist of Board Chair, appointed Board Trustee and Board Trustee representative from the area involved, the Superintendent for the school, the Principal and Director-Designate. It is the Board Trustee's responsibility to find a replacement if they are unable to attend committee meetings.

Discipline
Committee
Taylor

Carried.

The Discipline Committee members are: Board Chair, Larry Pavloff, appointed Board Trustee, Pam Wieler and Director-Designate, Ed Brockman, plus Superintendent, Principal and Board Trustee from school involved.

The Board further discussed the School Review process. Board representatives of schools possibly effected by school review advised they would like to share preliminary information about the process with SCC's at January SCC meetings without School Division representation. Board members will be provided with revised Administrative Policy No. 108 – School Review and the relevant excerpt from *The Education Act*.

10. THAT the Board amend Board Policy EL9 – Student Accommodation as follows:
- Replace policy title “Student Accommodation” with “School Review, School Closure, Grade Discontinuance and Grade Extension”; and
 - Include “or grade extension” after “grade discontinuance” in sections 2 through 8.

EL-9
 Student
Accommodation
 Wagner

Carried.

11. THAT the Board approve the Required Approvals Agenda as presented.

Required
 Approvals
Agenda
 Heath

Carried.

12. THAT the meeting be adjourned at 2:46 p.m. The next meeting to be held on Monday, January 3, 2011, at 9:00 a.m., at the Prairie Spirit School Division Office, in Warman.

Adjourn
 Dyck

Carried.

Chairperson

Secretary to the Board