

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, February 5, 2018, commencing at 11:00 a.m.

Present for the meeting were Board Members: Sam Dyck, Vice Chairperson; Dawne Badrock; Ken Crush; Garth Hetterly; Bonnie Hope; Bernie Howe; George Janzen; Trina Miller; and Pam Wieler

Present for the meeting via teleconference was Board Member: Larry Pavloff, Chairperson.

Also in attendance: Lori Jeschke, Director of Education; Bob Bayles, Deputy Director of People and Finance, CFO; Noel Roche, Deputy Director of Education (left at 2:04 p.m.; joined at 3:33 p.m.); and Nadine Meister, Assistant to the Director.

Guests in attendance: Fay Cassidy, Learning Superintendent; Trish Peech, Speech-Language Pathologist; and Sam Mirwald, Educational Psychologist (all joined at 11:11 a.m.; all left at 11:49 a.m.); Kerry Donst, Facilities Planner; Troy Smith, Group 2 Architects; and Michael Dempsey, Colliers Project Leaders (all joined at 11:49 a.m.; all left at 12:35 p.m.)

Absent: William Badger; and Kimberly Greyeyes.

Sam Dyck assumed the role as Chairperson as Larry Pavloff was attending via teleconference. Ken Crush assumed the role of Vice Chairperson.

Sam Dyck called the meeting to order at 11:11 a.m.

Fay Cassidy, Learning Superintendent; Trish Peech, Speech-Language Pathologist; and Sam Mirwald, Educational Psychologist; all joined the meeting at 11:11 a.m.

1. THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.

Agenda

Howe

Carried.

2. That the Minutes of January 22, 2018, be adopted as presented

Minutes

Wieler

Carried.

Fay Cassidy, Trish Peech and Sam Mirwald presented a report on Early Years learning in the Division.

Fay Cassidy reported on work being done to achieve the Early Years outcome that by June 30, 2020, children aged 0-6 will be supported in their development to ensure that 90% of students exiting Kindergarten are ready for learning in primary grades. Work will focus on supporting schools in thinking about and planning for family engagement, continuing to explore ways to disseminate EYE data and increasing understanding of Early Learning environments.

Trish Peech and Sam Mirwald reported on the work they are involved in including Inspired Learning Opportunities, classroom support and P3 committees.

Fay Cassidy, Trish Peech and Sam Mirwald left the meeting at 11:49 a.m.

Kerry Donst, Facilities Planner; Troy Smith, Group 2 Architects; and Michael Dempsey, Colliers Project Leaders; all joined the meeting at 11:49 a.m.

Troy Smith presented the Design Development Report for the Rosthern School Project.

Kerry Donst, Troy Smith and Michael Dempsey left the meeting at 12:35 p.m.

The Board adjourned for lunch at 12:35 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 1:08 p.m.

Noel Roche presented the decision report requesting approval to submit a Preventative Maintenance and Renewal (PMR) Amendment to the Ministry of Education. A recent fire destroyed the Home Economics Room at Leask Community School. Insurance will cover the cost to repair that damage, however, the structure above the Home Economics Room was previously slated for restoration by a structural engineer. Prior to restoring the fire-damaged room, the proposal is to repair the roof structure with PMR funds.

3. THAT the Board approve the attached Preventative Maintenance and Renewal Amendment for structural restoration above the Home Economics Room at Leask Community School.

PMR
Amendment –
Leask
Wieler

Carried.

Noel Roche presented the decision report regarding a request for approval and funding from Mrs. Bernice LaFramboise to install commemorative sign at the Skipton School and Chirnside School sites near Leask, SK.

4. THAT the Board approve the request from Bernice LaFramboise to install a commemorative sign at the Skipton School and Chirnside School sites at no cost to the Board.

Commemorative
Sign – Skipton &
Chirnside
Wieler

Carried.

Noel Roche presented the decision report requesting approval to amend Article VII (Personnel) of the Memorandum of Agreement with

Bergthaler Mennonite Church Inc. in relation to Valley Christian Academy. The amendments will reflect current staffing practices in place. A request to extend the agreement from a one-year to a three-year agreement was also put forward.

5. THAT the Board approve in principle entering into a three-year Memorandum of Agreement with Bergthaler Mennonite Church Inc. effective July 1, 2018.

Memorandum of Agreement –
VCA Term
Janzen

Carried.

6. THAT the Board approve the revisions to Article VII – Personnel of the Memorandum of Agreement with the Bergthaler Mennonite Church Inc. to be effective July 1, 2018.

Memorandum of Agreement –
VCA Revision
Janzen

Carried.

Lori Jeschke presented the decision report requesting approval to submit an application to the Ministry of Education to relocate Pre-Kindergarten in Warman from Traditions Elementary School to Warman Elementary School. The move is required to make room at Traditions Elementary School for French Immersion programming in 2018/19.

Sam Dyck stepped down as Chair in order to make this motion. Ken Crush assumed role of Chair.

7. THAT the Board approve the application to the Ministry of Education to relocate Pre-Kindergarten from Traditions Elementary School to Warman Elementary School for the 2018/19 school year.

Pre-Kindergarten
Relocation –
Warman
Dyck

Carried.

Sam Dyck resumed role of Chair and Ken Crush as Vice Chair.

Lori Jeschke presented the decision report requesting approval to reschedule two Board meetings. In order to be able to attend LEADS Annual Policy Conference, the request is to move the first meeting in March from March 5 to March 12. In order to accommodate pre-existing travel plans, the second request is to move the first meeting in May from May 7 to May 14. Following careful consideration, the Board agreed to move the March meeting. The Board felt Noel Roche and Bob Bayle's attendance at the May 7 meeting would be sufficient in Lori Jechke's absence and so declined to move the May 7 meeting.

8. THAT the Board reschedule the first meeting in March from March 5 to Monday, March 12, 2018, at 11:00 a.m.

Meeting Date
Change
Wieler

Carried.

Noel Roche left the meeting at 2:04 p.m.

Ken Crush presented the decision report requesting approval in principal of school year calendar options for 2018/19. Both calendar options meet Ministry requirements.

9. THAT the Board approve in principle calendar options A and B for the 2018/19 school year as presented by the Calendar Committee.
- 2018/19 School
Year Calendar
Options
Miller

Carried.

10. THAT the Board move into closed session at 2:22 p.m.
- Closed Session
Howe

Carried.

11. THAT the Board move out of closed session at 3:23 p.m.
- Closed Session
Wieler

Carried.

Bob Bayles presented the decision report requesting board motion nos. 11 (invitation for proposals for banking and financial services) and 12 (auditor request for proposal) passed at the November 20, 2017, meeting be rescinded. Given the recent staffing changes within Finance, this will allow current staff to work within existing practices and eliminate any further disruptions to work flow.

12. THAT the Board rescind motion no. 11 passed at the November 20, 2017, Board meeting.
- Rescind Motion
Crush

Carried

13. THAT the Board rescind motion no. 12 passed at the November 20, 2017, Board meeting.
- Rescind Motion
Hetterly

Carried.

Bob Bayles presented the Accounts Receivable Report as at January 31, 2018.

14. THAT the Board accept the Accounts Receivable Report as at January 31, 2018, as presented by Administration
- Accounts
Receivable
Report
Wieler

Carried.

Noel Roche joined the meeting at 3:33 p.m.

The Board reported on activities and meetings attended since the last Board meeting.

- 15. THAT the meeting be adjourned at 3:43 p.m. The next meeting to be held on Monday, February 26, 2018, at 3:00 p.m., at the Prairie Spirit School Division Office, in Warman.

Adjourn
Dyck

Carried.

Chairperson

Secretary to the Board

