

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of Prairie Spirit School Division No. 206 held via video conference, on Monday, April 19, 2021, commencing at 9:00 a.m.**

**Present for the meeting were Board Members:** Bernie Howe; Chairperson; Bonnie Hope, Vice Chairperson; Dawne Badrock; Ken Crush; Adin Dereniwski (left at 3:58 p.m.); Kimberly Greyeyes; Pam Wieler; Christa-Ann Willems; and Grace Wudrick.

**Also in attendance:** Lori Jeschke, Director of Education (left at 9:31 a.m.; joined at 12:52 p.m.; left at 1:58 p.m.; joined at 2:20 p.m.); Bob Bayles, Deputy Director of Division Services, CFO, CHRO; Tracey Young, Deputy Director of Education (left at 9:31 a.m.; joined at 12:52 p.m.; left at 1:58 p.m.; joined at 2:20 p.m.); Brenda Erickson, Communication Manager (left at 9:31 a.m.; joined at 12:52 p.m.; left at 1:58 p.m.; joined at 2:20 p.m.); and Nadine Meister, Assistant to the Director (left at 9:31 a.m.; joined at 12:52 p.m.; left at 1:58 p.m.; joined at 2:20 p.m.).

**Guests in attendance:** Teresa Korol, Facilities Planner (joined at 2:52 p.m.; left at 3:29 p.m.)

**Absent:** Angela Bothner; Kate Kading.

Bernie Howe called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m. and acknowledged that the meeting was being held on Treaty Six Territory.

All joined the meeting via video conference.

1. THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.

Agenda  
Wieler

**Carried.**

2. THAT Angela Bothner and Kate Kading be granted excused absences for today's meeting.

Excused  
Absence  
Badrock

**Carried.**

3. THAT the Minutes of March 15, 2021, be adopted as presented.

Minutes  
Willems

**Carried.**

4. THAT the Board move into closed session at 9:04 a.m. to hear information regarding:

Closed Session  
Wudrick

- COVID messaging
- Personnel Update
- Transportation Update
- Director Recruitment Update
- 2021/22 Preliminary Draft Budget Update

**Carried.**

Lori Jeschke, Tracey Young, Brenda Erickson and Nadine Meister left the meeting at 9:31 a.m.

The meeting adjourned for lunch at 12:30 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 12:52 p.m.

Lori Jeschke, Tracey Young, Brenda Erickson and Nadine Meister joined the meeting at 12:52 p.m.

Lori Jeschke, Tracey Young, Brenda Erickson and Nadine Meister left the meeting at 1:58 p.m.

Lori Jeschke, Tracey Young, Brenda Erickson and Nadine Meister joined the meeting at 2:20 p.m.

5. THAT the Board return from closed session at 2:20 p.m.

Closed Session

Wudrick

**Carried.**

The following motion arose from the closed session.

6. THAT the Board continue to appreciate the guidelines provided by the Ministry of Health, and truly commend the way our staff are diligently following and carrying out those guidelines and continue to ensure the safety, care and learning of all our students and themselves.

COVID

Messaging

Crush

**Carried.**

Lori Jeschke presented the decision report requesting approval of a 2021/22 school year calendar option.

Two calendar options were presented for a staff vote at the end of March. A total of 627 staff voted and 64% of them voted in favour of Option A with a school year start date of August 24 for staff and September 1 for students.

7. THAT the Board approve Option A as the 2021/22 school year calendar as presented by Administration and attached to form part of these minutes.

2021/22 School  
Year Calendar

Dereniowski

**Carried.**

Tracey Young presented a decision report requesting approval in principle to enter into a transportation services agreement with Saskatoon Public Schools and Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools for the GEMS area.

Following a decision by the Board to discontinue transportation services from the GEMS area to select schools in Saskatoon, both Saskatoon school divisions approached Prairie Spirit about drafting a transportation services agreement that would allow the continuation of this transportation service to all families in the GEMS area at no cost to Prairie Spirit. All three school divisions agreed to a joint communication regarding this matter.

8. THAT the Board approve in principle entering into an agreement with Saskatoon Public Schools and Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools to provide transportation services to students from the GEMS area to select schools in the City of Saskatoon.

GEMS  
Transportation  
Service  
Willems

***Carried.***

Teresa Korol, Facilities Planner, joined the meeting at 2:52 p.m.

Teresa Korol presented the decision report regarding the Clavet stimulus project update and requested approval to:

- Move three (3) portable classrooms from Warman to Clavet; and
- Combine stimulus funding with Preventative Maintenance and Renewal (PMR) funding for the Clavet project.

9. THAT the Board approve the move of one (1) portable classroom from Warman High School and two (2) portable classrooms from École Warman Elementary School to Clavet Composite School as recommended by Administration.

Portable  
Classroom  
Relocation  
Badrock

***Carried.***

10. THAT the Board approve combining Clavet Composite School stimulus funding with Preventative Maintenance and Renewal funding to take advantage of construction efficiencies in the Clavet Composite School Building Project.

Stimulus  
Funding + PMR  
Funding  
Badrock

***Carried.***

Teresa Korol left the meeting at 3:29 p.m.

Bob Bayles presented the Decision Report requesting approval for the Division travel rate.

The Division's current travel rate at \$0.45/km remains in the acceptable range as described in Board Policy BO-8 Board and Committee Expenses.

11. THAT the Board approves the Division travel rate remain unchanged at \$0.45 per kilometre.

Division Travel  
Rate  
Crush

**Carried.**

Brenda Erickson presented the Information Report requesting Board direction with regard to a submission for the Premier's Board of Education Award for Innovation and Excellence. Board direction provided was to focus the submission on Spirit eLearning.

The Urban Transportation Analysis Report was tabled until the next Board meeting.

12. THAT the Board accept the Staffing Report as at March 31, 2021, as presented by Administration.

Staffing Report  
Wudrick

**Carried.**

13. THAT the Board accept the Accounts Receivable Report as at March 31, 2021, as presented by Administration.

Accounts  
Receivable  
Report  
Hope

**Carried.**

14. THAT the Board accept the Pandemic Revenue and Expenditures Report as at March 31, 2021, as presented by Administration.

Pandemic  
Revenue &  
Expenditures  
Report  
Dereniowski

**Carried.**

Dawne Badrock reported on behalf of the Learning Committee and presented the following recommendations as a result of the Committee's meeting held on March 23, 2021:

- THAT the Board direct administration to organize two learning sessions for the Board regarding Truth and Reconciliation utilizing Prairie Spirit staff.
- THAT Trustees may take the Four Seasons of Reconciliation modules on their own if they so choose. Board approval for indemnity for time spent would be required in advance.
- THAT the Board consider a recommended reading list as compiled by Human Resources following administrator interviews; and THAT copies of "Change Your Questions Change Your Life" are available by contacting Nadine Meister.

Adin Dereniwski left the meeting at 3:58 p.m.

After some discussion, the Board asked that these recommendations be tabled until the next Board meeting.

15. THAT the meeting be adjourned at 4:17 p.m. The next meeting to be held on Monday, May 17, 2021, at 9:00 a.m., via video conference.

Adjournment  
Hope

***Carried.***

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Chairperson

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Secretary to the Board



# 2021/22 School Year Calendar

August 2	Civic Holiday
September 6	Labour Day
October 12	Thanksgiving Day
November 11	Remembrance Day
December 27	Day off in lieu of Christmas Day
December 28	Day off in lieu of Boxing Day
January 3	Day off lieu of New Year's Day
February 21	Family Day
April 15	Good Friday
April 18	Easter Monday
May 23	Victoria Day
July 1	Canada Day

Block Schedule	
Q1	September 1 to November 8
Q2	November 15 to January 26
Q3	February 1 to April 12
Q4	April 25 to June 24

Legend	Days
School year begins/ends for students	---
Statutory Holidays (no classes)	---
School Holidays (no classes)	---
Preparation Time (no classes)	11.0
PSTA General Assembly (no classes)	1.0
Professional Development (no classes)	1.5
School Operational Floater Day (no classes)	0.5
Summative Evidence Collection (Exams)	---

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**OPTION A**