

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, April 23, 2018, commencing at 4:30 p.m.

Present for the meeting were Board Members: Larry Pavloff, Chairperson; Sam Dyck, Vice Chairperson; Dawne Badrock (left at 5:00 p.m.); Ken Crush; Bonnie Hope; Bernie Howe; George Janzen; and Trina Miller.

Also in attendance: Lori Jeschke, Director of Education; Bob Bayles, Deputy Director of People and Finance, CFO; Noel Roche, Deputy Director of Education; Brenda Erickson, Communications Manager; and Nadine Meister, Assistant to the Director.

Absent: Kimberly Greyeyes; Garth Hetterly; and Pam Wieler.

Larry Pavloff called the meeting to order at 4:39 p.m.

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| 1. | THAT the agenda be adopted as presented. | <u>Agenda</u>
Howe

Carried. |
| 2. | THAT the Minutes of April 9, 2018, be adopted as presented. | <u>Minutes</u>
Badrock

Carried. |
| 3. | THAT the Board grant excused absences to Garth Hetterly and Pam Wieler for today's meeting. | <u>Excused</u>
<u>Absence</u>
Janzen

Carried. |

Bob Bayles presented the decision report requesting a review of the Division travel rate. As per Section 8.3.1 of Board Policy BO-8 – Board and Committee Expenses, the travel rate will be reviewed if it is greater than or less than a factor of 5% of the Public Service Commission rate published on October 1 and April 1.

The Public Service Commission's rate published on April 1, 2018, was \$0.4483, which is greater than the Division's travel rate of \$0.41 by more than 5%. Working with the 5% factor, the Division's new travel rate could be between \$0.43 and \$0.47 (rounding to the nearest penny). For budgeting purposes, the Board would like to set a September 1 effective date.

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| 4. | THAT the Board set the Division travel rate at \$0.43 per kilometre effective September 1, 2018. | <u>Division</u>
<u>Travel Rate</u>
Janzen

Carried. |
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5. THAT the Board approve a revision to Section 8.3.1 of Board Policy BO-8 – Board and Committee Expenses effective September 1, 2018, to reflect the new travel rate:

Board Policy
BO-8
Crush

“8.3.1. Travel allowance shall be paid at a rate of \$0.43 per kilometre. The rate will remain in effect unless the rate is greater than or less than a factor of 5% of the Public Service Commission rate that are published October 1 and April 1.”

Carried.

Bob Bayles presented the Decision Report requesting a review of the Board’s indemnity rates. As per Section 8.7 of Board Policy BO-8 – Board and Committee Expenses, the Canadian Consumer Price Index will be applied to all indemnity rates (excluding travel allowance) effective February 1 of each year. The Canadian Consumer Price Index increased by 2.2% from February 2017 to February 2018.

Given the Division’s current financial situation, the Board declined to increase their rates at this time and to replace the word “will” with “may” in Section 8.7 of Board Policy BO-8.

6. THAT the Board approve a revision to Section 8.7 of Board Policy BO-8 – Board and Committee Expenses to reflect:

Board Policy
BO-8
Miller

“8.7. The Canadian Consumer Price Index may be applied to all indemnity rates (excluding travel allowance) effective February 1 of each year.”

Carried.

Dawne Badrock left the meeting at 5:00 p.m.

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

7. THAT the meeting be adjourned at 5:30 p.m. The next meeting to be held on Monday, May 14, 2018, at 11:00 a.m., at the Prairie Spirit School Division Office, in Warman.

Adjournment
Pavloff

Carried.

Chairperson

Secretary to the Board