

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 16, 2019, commencing at 1:00 p.m.

Present for the meeting were Board Members: Sam Dyck, Chairperson; Ken Crush, Vice Chairperson; Dawne Badrock; Kimberly Greyeyes; 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, Communication Manager; and Nadine Meister, Assistant to the Director.

Guests in attendance: Sherry Todosichuk, Controller (joined at 1:38 p.m.; left at 2:25 p.m.).

Absent: Pam Wieler.

Sam Dyck called the meeting to order at 12:58 p.m. and acknowledged that we are on Treaty Six Territory.

1. THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.

Agenda
Miller

Carried.

2. THAT the Minutes of November 25, 2019, be adopted as presented.

Minutes
Howe

Carried.

3. THAT an excused absence be granted to Pam Wieler for today's meeting.

Excused
Absence
Hope

Carried.

Lori Jeschke presented the decision report requesting Board direction regarding holding a public meeting prior to the end of the school year. Because there is no longer a legislative requirement for school divisions to hold an annual meeting of electors, the Board opted instead to invite media to a Learning for Life presentation in May 2020. Board Chair and Director will make themselves available for interview.

Lori Jeschke presented the decision report requesting approval to cancel four Board meetings due to scheduling conflicts. Four dates were identified as possible committee meeting dates if the Board so directs.

4. THAT the Board cancel the Board meetings scheduled for February 3, March 2, April 6 and May 4, 2020.

Meeting
Cancellations
Hope

Carried.

Lori Jeschke presented the decision report requesting an addition to Board Policy BO-6 Officer Authority and Responsibility that would reflect past practice:

"6.11 The Chair and Vice Chair will participate in hiring of superintendents and coordinators."

After considerable dialogue, the Board agreed to the following addition, which will provide other Board members with interview experience:

"6.11 The Chair or Vice Chair and one Board member will participate in hiring of superintendents and coordinators."

5. THAT the Board approve the following revision to Board Policy BO-6 Officer Authority and Responsibility:

BO-6
Miller

"6.11 The Chair or Vice Chair and one Board member will participate in hiring of superintendents and coordinators."

Carried.

6. THAT the Superintendent and Coordinator Hiring Committee will be Ken Crush and Bernie Howe.

Superintendent
/ Coordinator
Hiring
Committee
Miller

Carried.

Bob Bayles presented the decision report requesting the following revisions to Board Policy BO-7 Committees of the Board:

- Remove "Out of Scope" from 7.1.6.6. Board Bargaining Committee as this employee group is not a bargaining unit.
- Remove "Aboriginal Council, SSBA" and "Prairie Spirit Transportation Review Committee" from paragraph that begins "Unless otherwise provided by Board motion...". The SSBA is responsible for determining membership of the Aboriginal Council. The Transportation Review Committee is a staff committee and, therefore, should not be included in Board policy.

7. THAT the Board approved the above-noted revisions to Board Policy BO-7 Committees of the Board.

BO-7
Greeyes

Carried.

Sherry Todosichuk, Controller, joined the meeting at 1:38 p.m.

Sherry Todosichuk reviewed the 2019/20 Year-End Financial Report with the Board. Highlights were reviewed only as the auditors had led a thorough review of the financial statements at the November 25, 2019, Board meeting.

Sherry Todosichuk then reviewed the Quarterly Financial Report as at November 30, 2019.

8. THAT the Board accept the Quarterly Financial Report as at November 30, 2019, as presented by Administration.

Quarterly
Financial
Report
Badrock

Carried.

Sherry Todosichuk left the meeting at 2:25 p.m.

Bob Bayles presented the three-year agreement with Bergthaler Mennonite Church Inc. regarding Valley Christian Academy. Minor typographical errors were noted and will be corrected prior to signing.

9. THAT the Board approve the three-year agreement ending August 31, 2024, with Bergthaler Mennonite Church Inc. for Valley Christian Academy with minor revisions.

VCA
Agreement
Janzen

Carried.

Bob Bayles presented the Accounts Receivable Report as at November 30, 2019.

10. THAT the Board accept the Accounts Receivable Report as at November 30, 2019, as presented by Administration.

Accounts
Receivable
Report
Badrock

Carried.

Bob Bayles presented the decision report requesting approval of the 2020 General Insurance Plan Participation Agreement as approved by the Saskatchewan School Boards Association. A minor correction was requested in Section 3.05 (a) to change "or" to "of".

11. THAT the Board approve the 2020 General Insurance Plan Participation Agreement as approved by the Saskatchewan School Boards Association Executive.

GIP
Participation
Agreement
Crush

Carried.

Noel Roche presented the Quarterly Transportation Report as at November 30, 2019.

12. THAT the Board accept the Quarterly Transportation Report as at November 30, 2019, as presented by Administration.

Transportation
Report
Janzen

Carried.

Noel Roche presented the decision report requesting approval of the P3 Operating and Sublease agreements for Warman and Martensville Joint Use schools. Draft agreements were previously presented to the Board on October 21, 2019.

13. THAT the Board approve the Sublease Agreement with the Board of Education of St. Paul's Roman Catholic Separate School Division No. 20 for Warman School.

Sublease
Agreement –
Warman
Badrock

Carried.

14. THAT the Board approve the Operating Agreement with the Board of Education of St. Paul's Roman Catholic Separate School Division No. 20 for Warman Joint Use School.

Operating
Agreement –
Warman
Dyck

Carried.

15. THAT the Board approve the Sublease Agreement with the Board of Education of St. Paul's Roman Catholic Separate School Division No. 20 for Martensville School.

Sublease
Agreement –
Martensville
Hope

Carried.

16. THAT the Board approve the Operating Agreement with the Board of Education of St. Paul's Roman Catholic Separate School Division No. 20 for Martensville Joint Use School.

Operating
Agreement –
Martensville
Greyeyes

Carried.

Lori Jeschke presented the information report regarding staff appreciation and possible alternatives for chocolate for schools that are nut free. Board direction was for Administration to return with some suggestions.

Logo renovation dialogue is tabled until the January 6, 2020, meeting.

17. THAT the meeting be adjourned at 3:17 p.m. The next meeting to be held on Monday, January 6, 2020, at 2:30 p.m., at the Prairie Spirit School Division Office, in Warman.

Adjournment
Dyck

Carried.

Chairperson

Secretary to the Board