

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 20, 2020, commencing at 10:00 a.m.

Present for the meeting were Board Members: Sam Dyck, Chairperson; Ken Crush, Vice Chairperson; Dawne Badrock; Kimberly Greeyes; Bernie Howe; George Janzen; Trina Miller and Pam Wieler.

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.

Guest in attendance: Ron Walter, Returning Officer (joined at 10:09 a.m.; left at 11:19 a.m.); Dave Carter, Learning Superintendent (joined at 11:22 a.m.; left at 11:56 a.m.); Jon Yellowlees, Learning Superintendent, and Sherry Todosichuk, Controller (both joined at 12:45 p.m.; both left at 2:19 p.m.).

Absent: Bonnie Hope.

Sam Dyck called the meeting to order at 10:09 a.m.

Ron Walter, Prairie Spirit Returning Officer, joined the meeting at 10:09 a.m.

Lori Jeschke, Bob Bayles and Ron Walter attended in person at Division Office. All others joined via video conference.

1. THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.

Agenda
Crush

Carried.

2. THAT the Board grant an excused absence to Bonnie Hope for today's meeting.

Excused
Absence
Wieler

Carried.

3. THAT the Minutes of March 16, 2020, be adopted as presented.

Minutes
Wieler

Carried.

4. THAT the Minutes of April 2, 2020, be adopted as presented.

Minutes
Howe

Carried.

Sam Dyck reviewed his Board Chair report. Lori Jeschke reviewed her Director report and provided an update on Division operations in light of COVID-19.

Ron Walter presented the decision report requesting decisions on the following 2020 election matters:

- Establishing a polling place in a hospital, personal care facility or other similar institution – not recommending any action at this time, but leave to the discretion of the Returning Officer.
- Requiring a Criminal Record Check (CRC) to be provided with filing of Nomination Form – recommending CRC be required.
- Setting the remuneration of election officials – recommend using the rate paid by the municipality if working with the municipality or default to Elections Saskatchewan rate.
- Determining polling locations.

In addition to the above, the Board requested that the occupation of candidates appear on the nomination form and ballot. The Board also requested to add the Villages of Prud'Homme and Krydor to the list of polling locations.

5. THAT the Board approve the following recommendations of the Returning Officer for the 2020 school board election:
1. THAT the Returning Office be authorized to establish polls in personal care facilities or other similar institutions if appropriate.
 2. THAT the Board require the occupation of candidates to appear on the nomination form and ballot.
 3. THAT the Board require candidates to provide a Criminal Record Check along with their nomination form as permitted by Section 87(1)(aa.2) of *The Education Act, 1995*.
 4. THAT the Board pay election officials at the same rate as the Municipality when working with a Municipality and, when coordination does not occur, then the default rate is the Election Saskatchewan rate for 2020.
 5. That the Board set polling locations for the 2020 general elections as per the attached list.

2020 Elections
Badrock

Carried.

Ron Walter left the meeting at 11:09 a.m.

Bob Bayles presented the decision report requesting the Board approve the Minister's Order re-establishing Subdivision Nos. 5 and 8 as requested by the Board.

6. THAT the Board accept the Minister's Order dated March 16, 2020, re-establishing Subdivision Nos. 5 and 8.

Subdivision
Nos. 5 and 8
Wieler

Carried.

Dave Carter, Learning Superintendent, joined the meeting at 11:22 a.m. Dave Carter presented the decision report requesting approval to move the French Immersion program from école Traditions Elementary School to Warman Elementary School. The primary reason for the move is availability of space at Warman Elementary School, which would allow anticipated growth of this program to continue.

7. THAT the Board approve relocating the French Immersion program from école Traditions Elementary School to Warman Elementary School for the 2020/21 school year.

WES French
Immersion
Programming
Miller

Carried.

Dave Carter left the meeting at 11:56 a.m.

Lori Jeschke presented the decision report requesting approval to submit a Recommendation for Designation Form for French Immersion programming at Warman Elementary School to the Ministry of Education.

8. THAT the Board approve the submission of a Recommendation for Designation Form dated February 24, 2020, for French Immersion programming at Warman Elementary School commencing in the 2020/21 school year.

WES French
Immersion
Designation
Dyck

Carried.

The meeting adjourned for lunch at 11:59 a.m.

The meeting reconvened at 12:45 p.m. Jon Yellowlees, Learning Superintendent, and Sherry Todosichuk, Controller, joined the meeting at 12:45 p.m.

Bob Bayles, Jon Yellowlees and Sherry Todosichuk led the Board through a detailed review of the 2020/21 budget planning to date, including review of funding comparisons and a review of the professional staffing allocation information.

Board direction for administration was to proceed with budget plan as presented today, including the professional staffing allocation.

Noel Roche presented the decision report requesting the Board approve implementation of Section 38 of *The Education*

Regulations, 2019, as it relates to the Division's financial responsibility for the transportation of students enrolled in a designated program (i.e. French Immersion) outside the Division's attendance area. This decision report was tabled during the February 24, 2020, Board meeting.

As per Section 38, school divisions "shall assume full organizational and financial responsibility for the transportation" of students enrolled in a designated program (i.e. French Immersion) if the student:

- Is in Kindergarten to Grade 8; and
- Travels a distance greater than the maximum distance travelled by pupils in non-designated schools in established attendance areas in the school division.

9. THAT the Board supports the implementation of Section 38 of *The Education Regulations, 2019*, as it pertains to French Immersion transportation services and parent transportation allowance commencing in the 2020/21 school year.

French
Immersion
Transportation
Services/Parent
Transportation
Allowance
Crush

Carried.

Jon Yellowlees and Sherry Todosichuk left the meeting at 2:19 p.m.

Lori Jeschke presented the decision report requesting approval of a 2020/21 school year calendar option. Of the 667 staff members who voted, 68% voted in favour of Option 2.

10. THAT the Board approve Option 2 as the 2020/21 school year calendar as presented by Administration.

2020/21 School
Year Calendar
Howe

Carried.

Noel Roche presented the decision report requesting approval to award yard care contracts for the 2020/21 school year.

11. THAT the Board approve awarding of contracts to the following contractors to provide yard care services for the 2020/21 school year:

2020/21 Yard
Care Contracts
Wieler

Town of Aberdeen (1 location)
Neimar's (27 locations)
All Green Yard Care (3 locations)
BRP Mobile (4 locations)

Carried.

Bob Bayles presented the Accounts Receivable Report as at March 31, 2020. After careful consideration of the amount owing by Muskeg Lake Cree Nation, the Board provided administration with the following direction.

12. THAT the Board approves proceeding with a formal response to Muskeg Lake Cree Nation to collect outstanding tuition fees as presented by Administration.

Muskeg Lake
Accounts
Receivable
Crush

Carried.

13. THAT the Board accepts the Accounts Receivable Report as at March 31, 2020, as presented by Administration.

Accounts
Receivable
Report
Badrock

Carried.

Bob Bayles presented the Staffing Report as at March 31, 2020.

14. THAT the Board accepts the Staffing Report as at March 31, 2020, as presented by Administration

Staffing Report
Janzen

Carried.

Noel Roche presented the information report regarding demolition of the Rosthern schools.

15. THAT the Board approve the proposal for the demolition of Rosthern High School and Rosthern Elementary School leaving the elementary school gymnasium standing as presented by Administration.

Rosthern
Schools
Demolition
Miller

Carried.

16. THAT the meeting be adjourned at 4:01 p.m. The next meeting to be held on Tuesday, May 19, 2020, at 11:00 a.m., via video conference.

Adjournment
Dyck

Carried.

Chairperson

Secretary to the Board

**PRAIRIE SPIRIT SCHOOL DIVISION
PROPOSED POLL LOCATIONS
November 2020**

COMMUNITY/ MUNICIPALITY

HANLEY
DUNDURN
SOUTH CORMAN PARK
CLAVET
ALLAN
COLONSAY
ABERDEEN
VONDA
PIKE LAKE
VANSCOY
DELISLE
ASQUITH
PERDUE
BORDEN
LANGHAM
DALMENY
HEPBURN
WALDHEIM
LAIRD
BLAINE LAKE
LEASK
MARTENSVILLE
WARMAN
OLSLER
HAGUE
ROSTHERN
DUCK LAKE
MUSKEG LAKE CREE NATION