

MINUTES OF A MEETING: of the Board of Education of the Saskatoon School Division No. 13 of Saskatchewan, held on Tuesday, September 20, 2011, at 7:00 p.m. September 20, 2011

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Ray Morrison (Board Chair), Ms. Donna Banks, Mr. Robin Bellamy, Mr. Dan Danielson, Mr. Vernon Linklater, Ms. Colleen MacPherson, Ms. Anna Ringstrom, Mr. Darrell Utley, Mr. Kevin Waugh

Agenda: Ms. MacPherson moved approval of the agenda with the addition of Agenda Item #3a) Tribute to Joan Elder, Executive Assistant. Agenda

CARRIED (9)

Tribute To Ms. Joan Elder, Executive Assistant: Mr. Dan Danielson, on behalf of the Board, gave a tribute to Ms. Joan Elder, Executive Assistant to the Director of Education, on the occasion of her retirement. Tribute To Ms. Joan Elder, Executive Assistant

Minutes: Mr. Bellamy moved approval of the minutes of the Committee of the Whole and Regular Board Meeting of September 6, 2011. Minutes

CARRIED (9)

Celebrating Excellence, Newcomer Student Centre: Ms. Donnalee Weinmaster, Superintendent of Education, introduced Ms. Laurie Anderson, Lead Assessment Teacher; Ms. Shauna Tilbury, Program Leader: English As An Additional Language; and Ms. Megan Hill, English As An Additional Language Teacher at Brunskill School. The group spoke to the Board about the success of the Newcomer Centre since its opening in August. Mrs. Duong Dang, newcomers to Saskatoon, spoke to the Board about the family's positive experience with the Centre. Celebrating Excellence Newcomer Student Centre

Celebrating Excellence, Beyond A Little Stone School: Mr. George Rathwell, Director of Education spoke about the newly-published history book "Beyond A Little Stone School". Mr. Rathwell introduced Ms. Joan Elder, Executive Assistant, who provided background on the researching, writing and publishing of the book. Ms. Golleen Gnyp, researcher and writer and Ms. Erin Sarauer, Graphic Artist, were also recognized for their contributions to the book. Celebrating Excellence Beyond A Little Stone School

Actuarial Valuation Report As At December 31, 2010: Mr. Danielson moved that the Board receive the Actuarial Valuation Report on the Pension Plan for the Non-Teaching Employees of the Saskatoon Board of Education as at December 31, 2010, and that solvency relief be elected in accordance with section 36.2(1) and (4)(e) of *The Pension Benefit's Regulations, 1993 (Saskatchewan)*. Actuarial Valuation Report As At December 31, 2010

Correspondence: Mr. Waugh moved that the Board receive, in confidence, the correspondence from the closed session of Committee of the Whole. Correspondence

CARRIED (9)

Correspondence: Mr. Waugh moved that the Board receive the correspondence as listed. Correspondence

- a) Correspondence From Linda Restau, Program Support, Community Care Branch, Saskatchewan Ministry of Health, Re: Seniors' Week, September 26 to October 2, 2011 and *International Day Of Older Persons*, October 1, 2011.
- b) Correspondence From Cheryl Senecal, Acting Deputy Ministry, Ministry Of Education, Re: 2011-12 Estimated Revenues And Expenditures

CARRIED (9)

Reports Of Committees And Trustees:

- pancake breakfast.
- Trustee Linklater reported on his attendance at Caswell School's playground announcement, along with Trustee Waugh. She also attended James L. Alexander School's mug 'n muffin event, Saskatoon Public Schools Foundation Board meetings, Fairhaven School Community Council Meeting and visited all Ward 3 schools.
 - Trustee Banks reported on her attendance Sutherland School's back to school night. She attended Meet the Teacher night at Brunskill School, as well as their School Community Council meeting. Ms. Ringstrom also reported on her attendance at Caswell School's pancake breakfast event with Trustee Linklater.
 - Trustee Utley reported on his attendance at the mug 'n muffin event at Evan Hardy, Brevoort Park's Book n' Bagel event, College Park's Meet the Teacher night, as well as their School Community Council meeting.
 - Trustee Waugh reported on his attendance at Sutherland School's playground announcement. He also attended International Literacy Day celebrations with Director Rathwell.

Reports Of
Committees
And Trustees

Board Annual Work Plan 2011-2012: Ms. Ringstrom moved that the Board approve the Board Annual Work Plan 2011-2012.

Board
Annual Work
Plan 2011-2012

CARRIED (9)

Board Policy 6: Board Operations: Mr. Bellamy moved that the Board approve the minor housekeeping revisions to Board Policy 6: Board Operations as identified. In addition to these changes, that the second sentence of the second paragraph in section 9.2.1 be deleted.

Board Policy 6:
Board
Operations

CARRIED (9)

Amendment No. P-20 To The Pension Plan For The Non-Teaching Employees: Mr. Linklater moved that the Board approve Amendment No. P-20 to the Pension Plan for the Non-Teaching Employees of the Saskatoon Board of Education.

Amendment
No. P-20 To
The Pension
Plan For The
Non-Teaching
Employees

CARRIED (9)

Reports From Administrative Staff: Reports were received, for information, on the following issues:

Reports From
Administrative
Staff

- Literacy For Life Update – Ms. Avon Whittles, Deputy Director of Education, and Dr. Scott Tunison, Coordinator: Research and Measurement, spoke about the positive student progress resulting from the *Read To Succeed* program and its direct application to classroom instructional planning.
- Budget Approval Update
- Trustee Professional Development And Community Events Account Reports

Literacy For
Life Update

Ms. MacPherson moved that the Board adjourn to the call of the Chair or the Committee of the Whole Board Meeting of Tuesday, October 4, 2011 at 3:00 p.m.

CARRIED (9)

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Secretary of the School Division

Board Chair