

Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Education of the Saskatoon School Division No. 13 of Saskatchewan, held on Tuesday, March 4, 2025 at 6:30 p.m.

Members Present: Board Chair Kim Stranden, Trustees Angela Arneson, Donna Banks, Vernon Linklater, Tanya Napper, Anne-Marie Rollo, Jennifer Scherman, Kevin Schmidt, Ross Tait

Regrets: Trustee Kirk Jones

1. Roll Call

2. Acknowledgement

Chair Stranden called the meeting to order, read the roll call into the minutes, acknowledged the land on which we gather.

3. Adoption of Agenda and Declaration of Conflict of Interest

Trustee Rollo moved approval of the agenda.

CARRIED (9)

There were no conflicts of interest declared by any board members.

4. Celebrating Excellence – Using Verso as an Engagement Tool

Superintendent Norris introduced Educational Consultant Leanne Kadyschuk and Teacher Mike Waldron at Bedford Road Collegiate. Ms. Kadyschuk and Mr. Waldron presented on the benefits of the Verso app, providing the board with a comprehensive overview. Mr. Waldron highlighted how the app facilitates real-time feedback, enhances clarity of learning outcomes in the classroom and offers students the opportunity to anonymously share their perspectives on their learning progress.

5. Consent Items

Trustee Schmidt moved that the board approve the consent items as presented.

5.1. Approval of Minutes: February 11, 2025

5.2. Secure Destruction of Records

CARRIED (9)

6. Reports from Administrative Staff

Information

- 6.1. Saskatoon Public Schools Foundation Update and 2023-2024 Annual Report was presented for information.
- 6.2. Tariff Impact Update was presented for information.

Decision

- 6.3. Strategic Plan Accountability Report: Character and Engagement: Trustee Tait moved that the board approve the Strategic Plan Accountability Report: Character and Engagement, to be included as part of the director of education's 2024-2025 evaluation. CARRIED (9)

7. Delegations

No delegations.

8. Business Arising from the Minutes

No business arising from the minutes.

9. Unfinished Business

- 9.1. Request for Proposal - Website/Portal: Trustee Napper moved that the board approve the contract for website and portal replacement for a five-year total cost of \$375,874.07, starting April 1, 2025, and ending April 1, 2030, to Concept Interactive Inc. based on their proposal dated February 20, 2025. CARRIED (9)
- 9.2. Tender Results: Summer Painting 2025 – Full Time Contract: Trustee Linklater moved that the board award the tender for Summer Painting 2025 – Full Time Contract to Saskatoon Fire & Flood that expires on April 30, 2026 at the following Unit Rates with a total project budget of \$350,000:
Lead Painter (2 positions) – \$100/hour
Painter/laborer (4 positions) - \$80/hour
Materials markup – 30%

CARRIED (9)
- 9.3. Tender Results: Lakeview School Various Improvements: Trustee Arneson moved that the board award the tender for Lakeview School Various Improvements project in the total amount of \$292,347.08 plus applicable taxes (including base price, separate prices 1, 2, and 3) to Wells Construction Inc. CARRIED (9)

- 9.4. Pension Plan Text Update – Recommended from Pension Trustees: Trustee Schmidt moved that the board approve the addition of the wording, “Should the financial statements not be available within six months of the end of the calendar year, the Pension Trustees shall inform the Board of a revised date.” after the second sentence in section 5.2 Annual Audit of the Trust Agreement. CARRIED (9)

- 9.5. Board Subcommittee Minutes: Trustee Banks moved that the board approve the minutes of the Board Human Resources Committee meeting of January 9, 2024. CARRIED (9)

10. Reports of Trustees

Trustee Arneson

- Attended the Ministry of Education meeting and tour at John Dolan School on February 26, 2025.
- Attended the NDP meeting and tour at John Dolan School on February 28, 2025.

Trustee Schmidt

- Attended the Walter Murray Collegiate open house.
- Attended the Ministry of Education meeting and tour at John Dolan School on February 26, 2025.
- Attended the NDP meeting and tour at John Dolan School on February 28, 2025.

Trustee Rollo

- Attended the Ministry of Education meeting and tour at John Dolan School on February 26, 2025.
- Received an email from a student regarding a proposal she wanted to bring forward and the courage it took the student to send that email.

Board Chair Stranden

- Attended the Ministry of Education meeting and tour at John Dolan School on February 26, 2025.
- Attended the NDP meeting and tour at John Dolan School on February 28, 2025.
- Serving on the hiring panel for the deputy director of education position.

Trustee Scherman

- Talked about the young athletes that are competing in City Track Finals at the field house that evening (March 4, 2025).

Trustee Banks

- Attended the Lester B. Pearson School Community Council.

- Attended the Fairhaven School Community Council.
- Attended the WAG Student Transportation meeting.
- Attended the Ministry of Education meeting and tour at John Dolan School on February 26, 2025.
- Attended the NDP meeting and tour at John Dolan School on February 28, 2025.
- Attended the Lester B. Pearson Pink Shirt Assembly.
- Attended the Infrastructure Advisory Committee Meeting.

Trustee Napper

- Attended the Ministry of Education meeting and tour at John Dolan School on February 26, 2025.
- Attended the NDP meeting and tour at John Dolan School on February 28, 2025.
- Attended the Governance Institution webinar.
- Received emails from parents regarding Educational Assistants and Transportation.
- Upcoming attendance at the Johnson Shoyama Governance Course on March 7, 2025.

11. New Business

- 11.1. 2024 School Board Election Invoice: Trustee Banks moved that the board approve the payment of \$ 426,347.06 to the City of Saskatoon for 2024 election expenses.

CARRIED (9)

- 11.2. Election – Candidate Disclosure Forms was presented for information

12. Notices of Motion: There were no notices of motion this evening.

13. Questions by Trustees: There were no questions from trustees this evening.

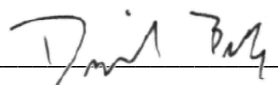

14. Comments/Concerns/Questions from the Public: There were no comments/concerns/questions from the public.

15. Adjournment

Trustee Arneson moved that the board adjourn to the call of the chair or the board meeting of Tuesday, April 15, 2025.

CARRIED (9)

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm.


Secretary of the School Division
Board Chair