

**MINUTES OF A MEETING:**

of the Board of Education of the Saskatchewan School Division No. 13 of Saskatchewan, held on Tuesday, January 12, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.

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**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Ms. Colleen MacPherson (Board Chair), Ms. Angela Arneson, Ms. Donna Banks, Ms. Charmaine Bellamy, Ms. Kathleen Brannen, Mr. Vernon Linklater, Mr. Michael Pidwerbeski, Ms. Kim Stranden, Mr. Ross Tait, Dr. Suzanne Zwarych

Ms. Colleen MacPherson, Board Chair, called the meeting to order, read the roll call into the minutes, and acknowledged the meeting was being held on Treaty Six territory and traditional homeland of the Métis people.

Agenda: Ms. Banks moved approval of the agenda.

Agenda

CARRIED (9)

Celebrating Excellence – Award of Excellence: Chair MacPherson, on behalf of the Award of Excellence Selection Committee, announced the recipient of the Saskatoon Board of Education's Award of Excellence. Ms. Jordan Friesen, a graduate of Tommy Douglas Collegiate, was recognized for her excellence in academics, character, engagement and well-being and was awarded \$5,000. Director Skjerven, and Ms. Colleen Norris, Superintendent of Education, spoke to Jordan's character and achievements.

Celebrating Excellence - Award of Excellence

Trustee Stranden joined the meeting at 5:08 p.m.

Celebrating Excellence – 2019-2020 Proficiency Award Winners: Deputy Director Hills highlighted the Proficiency Award winners at Saskatoon Public Schools for 2019-2020. Each year, proficiency awards are presented to students with the highest average in grades 9, 10, 11, and 12.

Celebrating Excellence – 2019-2020 Proficiency Award Winners

Consent Items: Mr. Pidwerbeski moved that the following consent agenda items be approved as presented.

Consent Items

CARRIED (10)

Approval of Minutes – December 8, 2020: Mr. Pidwerbeski moved that the Board approve the minutes of the Committee of the Whole and Regular Board meetings held December 8, 2020.

Approval of Minutes

CARRIED (10)

School Community Councils Update: Mr. Pidwerbeski moved that the Board receive the School Community Councils update for information.

School Community Councils Update

CARRIED (10)

Financial Results for the Period September 1, 2020 to November 30, 2020: Mr. Pidwerbeski moved that the Board receive the financial results for the period September 1, 2020 to November 30, 2020 for information.

Financial Results for the Period September 1, 2020 to November 30, 2020

CARRIED (10)

Reports From Administrative Staff:

Strategic Plan Update: Well-Being: Ms. Charlene Scrimshaw, Deputy Director of Education, introduced Ms. Colleen Norris, Superintendent of Education and Mr. Tyler Bergen, Coordinator: Counselling, Behaviour, and Safe Schools. The group updated the Board on the well-being component of the school division's strategic plan, highlighting how the Counselling, Behaviour, and Safe Schools Branch focuses on student well-being.

Strategic Plan Update:

Ms. Brannen moved that the Board receive the Strategic Plan Update:  
Well-Being.

CARRIED (10)

COVID-19 Update: Mr. Shane Skjerven, Director of Education, introduced Mr. Brent Hills, Deputy Director of Education, who provided an update to the COVID-19 pandemic.

COVID-19 Update

Mr. Linklater moved that the Board receive the COVID-19 update.

CARRIED (10)

Unfinished Business:

Director's Update: October 15, 2020 to December 30, 2020:  
Dr. Zwarych moved that the Board approve the 'Director's Update' for the period October 15, 2020 to December 30, 2020 to be included as part of the evidence of the quality indicators for the Director's annual evaluation.

Director's Update:  
October 15, 2020 to December 30, 2020

CARRIED (10)

Reserve Transfer – Pension Asset: Ms. Brannen moved that the Board approve the transfer of \$3,973,000 from the Unrestricted Accumulated Surplus to the Internally Restricted Surplus for Pension Asset, based on the year-end actuarial valuation adjustment.

Reserve Transfer - Pension Asset

CARRIED (10)

Pension Committee – Appointment of Executive Staff Pension Trustee:  
Ms. Arneson moved that the Board appoint Mr. Daniel Burke as Executive Staff Trustee on the Pension Committee serving a four-year term from January 1, 2021 to October 31, 2024.

Pension Committee - Appointment of Executive Staff Pension Trustee

CARRIED (10)

Board Subcommittee Minutes: Mr. Tait moved that the Board approve the minutes of the Board Human Resources Committee meeting of October 6, 2020 and the Board Governance Committee meeting of December 1, 2020.

Board Subcommittee Minutes

CARRIED (10)

Correspondence

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Mr. Pidwerbeski moved that the Board receive the correspondence as listed:

- a) Correspondence from Kelly Jackson, Director, Premier's Correspondence Unit, acknowledging receipt of Saskatoon Public Schools' 2019-2020 Report to the Community.

CARRIED (10)

Reports of Committees and Trustees:

- Trustee Banks reported on her participation with the virtual School Community Council meetings at Fairhaven and James L. Alexander schools.
- Trustee Stranden reported on her participation with the virtual School Community Council meetings at Dundonald and Howard Coad schools. She also reported on virtual meet and greet with Ward Four principals.
- Chair MacPherson reported on her participation with virtual School Community Council meetings and meet and greet meetings with Ward Five principals.

New Business

No New Business was reported.

Comments/Concerns/Questions From the Public:

There were no comments or questions from the Public.

Questions by Trustees:

There were no questions by Trustees.

Ms. Bellamy moved that the Board adjourn to the call of the Chair or the Committee of the Whole meeting of Tuesday, February 9, 2021.

CARRIED (9)

The meeting adjourned at 6:03 p.m.

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Secretary of the School Division

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Board Chair