

**MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE BATTLE RIVER REGIONAL DIVISION #31, HELD ON June 20th, 2013,
COMMENCING AT 8:50 A.M.**

PRESENT

DOUG BOWIE
JIM FIELDING
REBECCA HEIBERG
SHELLEY GRUNDBERG
NOREEN METZ
PETER MILLER
KENDALL SEVERSON
CHERYL SMITH

ABSENT

ALSO PRESENT

DR LARRY PAYNE, Superintendent of Schools
RAY BOSH, Assistant Superintendent – Student Services
RICK JARRETT, Assistant Superintendent – Instruction
IMOGENE WALSH, Assistant Superintendent – Business
DIANE HUTCHINSON, Communications Coordinator
SHIRLEY FAIRALL, Recording Secretary

D BOWIE IN THE CHAIR

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Bowie called the meeting to order at 8:50 a.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

#76\13 J FIELDING - That the Board of Trustees approves the agenda as presented.

CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

#77\13 C SMITH – That the Board of Trustees approves the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of May 23rd, 2013 as presented.

CARRIED

IN-CAMERA SESSION (8:52 a.m.)

#78\13 R HEIBERG – That the regular meeting recess to permit the Trustees to meet in-camera, and that all persons except Trustees and Superintendent of Schools Payne be excluded.

CARRIED

Dr Larry Payne, Superintendent of Schools, left the meeting at 8:55 a.m.

Dr Larry Payne, Superintendent of Schools, Ray Bosh, Assistant Superintendent – Student Services, Rick Jarrett, Assistant Superintendent – Instruction, Imogene Walsh, Assistant Superintendent – Business, Diane Hutchinson, Communications Coordinator, and Shirley Fairall, Recording Secretary, joined the meeting at 10:55 a.m.

OUT OF IN-CAMERA SESSION (10:56 a.m.)

The in-camera session concluded and the regular meeting reconvened.

Brenda Johnson, Director of Transportation, joined the meeting at 10:57 a.m.

INELIGIBLE TRANSPORTATION FEES

#79\13 C SMITH – That the Board of Trustees set the fee for ineligible transportation services for the 2013 – 2014 school year at \$375.00 per student, to a maximum charge of \$850.00 per family and further, that there will be no consideration given to offering partial annual transportation services.

CARRIED

KILOMETRE FOR SCHOOL FIELD TRIPS

#80\13 K SEVERSON - That the Board of Trustees approves the rate to be charged to schools for use of buses for field trips be established at \$0.89 per kilometre for the 2013 – 2014 school year.

CARRIED

#81\13 R HEIBERG - That the Board of Trustees approves the rate to be charged to charter groups for the use of school buses be established at \$0.97 per kilometre for the 2013 – 2014 school year.

CARRIED

Marnie Barkman joined the meeting at 11:25 a.m.

TRANSPORTATION APPEAL

Chair Bowie welcomed Ms Barkman and invited her presentation.

Ms Barkman requested school bus service to her residence at NW 22-44-19-W4, which is currently within the Rosalind School area and will now be designated to the Bawlf School area, to enable her children to continue attending École Sifton and Charlie Killam Schools.

Ms Barkman left the meeting at 11:36 a.m.

Mr Bosh, Ms Hutchinson, and Ms Johnson left the meeting at 11:41 a.m.

IN-CAMERA SESSION (11:42 a.m.)

#82\13 P MILLER - That the regular meeting recess to permit the Trustees to meet in-camera, and that all persons except Trustees, Superintendent of Schools Payne, Assistant Superintendent – Instruction Jarrett, Assistant Superintendent - Business Walsh, and Recording Secretary Fairall be excluded.

Dr Larry Payne, Superintendent of Schools; Mr Jarrett, Assistant Superintendent – Instruction; Ms Walsh, Assistant Superintendent – Business; and Ms Fairall, Recording Secretary, left the meeting at 11:44 a.m.

Shirley Fairall, Recording Secretary, joined the meeting at 11:53 a.m.

OUT OF IN CAMERA SESSION 11:54 a.m.

The in-camera session concluded and the regular meeting reconvened.

AMENDMENT TO CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT

#83\13 J FIELDING - That the Board of Trustees provides an amendment to the contractual agreement for employee #200306, #3769, and #2889.

CARRIED

Noreen Metz, Trustee, left the meeting at 11:56 a.m.

MEETING RECESS

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees recessed at 11:56 a.m. and reconvened at 1:07 p.m.

IN-CAMERA SESSION (1:08 p.m.)

#84\13 J FIELDING - That the regular meeting recess to permit the Trustees to meet in-camera, and that all persons except Trustees, Superintendent of Schools Payne, Assistant Superintendent – Student Services Bosh, Assistant Superintendent – Instruction Jarrett, Assistant Superintendent - Business Walsh, Communications Coordinator Hutchinson, and Recording Secretary Fairall be excluded.

CARRIED

OUT OF IN-CAMERA SESSION (1:44 p.m.)

The in-camera session concluded and the regular meeting reconvened.

INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS FEES

#85\13 C SMITH - That, for the 2013 - 2014 school year, the Board of Trustees approves the instructional materials fees to remain as previous years and be set as follows:

- a) for grades 1 - 9, \$50.00;
- b) for grades 10 - 12 students carrying a course load of 30+ credits (15+ credits per semester), \$100.00 (\$50.00 per semester), and includes charges for novels, workbooks and authorized CTS resources;
- c) for grades 10 - 12 students taking fewer than 30 credits (fewer than 15 credits per semester), \$3.50 per credit;
- d) that additional fees may be levied as necessary for the purchase of music, band instrument rental, the purchase of copyrighted material for drama, CTS project materials, and for materials needed by students registered in home economics and industrial arts courses;

That, for the 2013 - 2014 school year, for high school students with a full course load (30+ credits) who leave the Battle River Regional Division #31 during the school year, fees be refunded according to the following schedule:

September	\$90.00
October	\$80.00
November	\$70.00
December	\$60.00
January	\$50.00
February	\$40.00
March	\$30.00
April, May and June	\$ 0.00;

That, for students with a partial load (less than 30 credits) who leave the jurisdiction during the course of the school year, fees be reimbursed at a rate of 10% of their fee per month to March 31, 2014;

That, for the 2013 - 2014 school year, for elementary and junior high students who leave the Battle River Regional Division #31 during the school year, fees be refunded according to the following schedule:

September	\$45.00
October	\$40.00
November	\$35.00
December	\$30.00
January	\$25.00
February	\$20.00
March	\$15.00
April, May and June	\$ 0.00;

That, for the 2013 - 2014 school year, for high school students with a full course load (30+ credits), who enter the Battle River Regional Division #31 during the school year, fees be levied according to the following schedule:

September	\$100.00
October	\$ 90.00
November	\$ 80.00
December	\$ 70.00
January	\$ 60.00
February	\$ 50.00
March	\$ 40.00
April	\$ 30.00
May	\$ 20.00
June	\$ 10.00;

That, for students with a partial load (less than 30 credits) who enter the jurisdiction during the course of the school year, fees be levied at a rate of 10% of their fee per month;

That, for the 2013 - 2014 school year, for elementary and junior high students who enter the Battle River Regional Division #31 during the school year, fees be levied according to the following schedule:

September	\$50.00
October	\$45.00
November	\$40.00
December	\$35.00
January	\$30.00
February	\$25.00
March	\$20.00
April	\$15.00
May	\$10.00
June	\$ 5.00.

CARRIED

ADULT STUDENT FEES

#86\13 P MILLER - That the Board of Trustees approves that the adult student fee for 2013 – 2014 be set at \$187.48 per credit taken, and further that this fee not include the instructional materials fee or the transportation fee.

CARRIED

HAY LAKES BUS STORAGE FACILITY

#87\13 J FIELDING - That the Board of Trustees approves an additional \$40,000 for the Bus Storage Grader Shed facility project that is being pursued with Camrose County.

CARRIED

Brenda Johnson, Director of Transportation, and Jim Huard & Amanda Hines joined the meeting at 1:58 p.m.

TRANSPORTATION APPEAL

Chair Bowie welcomed Jim Huard and Amanda Hines and invited their presentation.

Mr Huard and Ms Hines requested school bus service to their residence on the northeast corner of Range Road 183 and Highway 26 to have their students dropped off at home after school as well as to continue having them picked up at this location in the morning.

Mr Huard and Ms Hines left meeting at 2:14 p.m.

Denise Campbell joined the meeting at 2:21 p.m.

TRANSPORTATION APPEAL

Chair Bowie welcomed Ms Campbell and invited her presentation.

Ms Campbell requested school bus service to her residence at 48552 Section, Highway 834 which is currently in the Bawlf School attendance area, to enable her son to attend Camrose Composite High School.

Ms Campbell left the meeting at 2:30 p.m.

Angela Halback joined the meeting at 2:38 p.m.

TRANSPORTATION APPEAL

Chair Bowie welcomed Ms Halback and invited her presentation.

Ms Halback requested school bus service to her residence on range road 192 which is currently within the Bawlf School attendance area, to enable her children to continue attending École Sifton.

Ms Halback left the meeting at 2:45 p.m.

MEETING RECESS

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees recessed at 2:40 p.m. and reconvened at 2:51 p.m.

TRANSPORTATION APPEAL DECISIONS

#88\13 R HEIBERG - That the Board of Trustees adhere to the Battle River School Division Policy #17 - Student Transportation Services, and deny Ms Marnie Barkman's appeal.

CARRIED

#89\13 J FIELDING - That the Board of Trustees adhere to the Battle River School Division Policy #17 - Student Transportation Services, and deny Mr Jim Huard's and Ms Amanda Hines's appeal.

CARRIED

#90\13 P MILLER - That the Board of Trustees adhere to the Battle River School Division Policy #17 - Student Transportation Services, and deny Ms Denise Campbell's appeal.

CARRIED

#91\13 J FIELDING - That the Board of Trustees adhere to the Battle River School Division Policy #17 - Student Transportation Services, and deny Ms Angela Halback's appeal.

CARRIED

#92\13 R HEIBERG – That, in light of the closure of the Rosalind School and the proximity of the Szott's residence within the boundary to the Daysland School bus route, the Board of Trustees grant approval to Mr Dale Szott's appeal.

CARRIED

Lorne Berg, Principal; Craig Dimond, Vice Principal; Jessica Steil, Arts Infusion Coordinator; Lori Pearson, School Council Chair; of Bashaw School; and Jackie Northey, Bashaw and District Support Services, along with public guests joined the meeting at 3:38 p.m.

BASHAW SCHOOL ARTS INFUSION

Chair Bowie welcomed Mr Berg, Mr Dimond, Ms Steil, Ms Pearson, and Ms Northey and invited their presentation.

The group provided an overview of the Bashaw School Arts Infusion Program, the participation of the Bashaw community in the program, and the benefit for the students of Bashaw School.

Mr Berg, Mr Dimond, Ms Steil, Ms Pearson, and Ms Northey left the meeting at 4:16 p.m.

MEETING RECESS

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees recessed at 4:31 p.m.

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