

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE BATTLE RIVER REGIONAL DIVISION #31, HELD ON JUNE 24<sup>TH</sup>, 2010, COMMENCING AT 9:41 A.M.**

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**PRESENT**

REBECCA HEIBERG  
PETER MILLER  
KEN OFFORD  
KENDALL SEVERSON  
CHERYL SMITH  
HAMEED SYED (left the meeting at 11:00 am)  
PATRICIA ZENIUK

**ABSENT**

VICTOR PETRUK

**ALSO PRESENT**

DR LARRY PAYNE, Superintendent of Schools  
RAY BOSH, Deputy Superintendent  
BILL SCHULTE, Assistant Superintendent - Business  
DIANE HUTCHINSON, Communications Coordinator  
SHIRLEY FAIRALL, Recording Secretary

C. SMITH IN THE CHAIR

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Smith called the meeting to order at 9:41 a.m.

**APPROVAL OF THE ADDITIONAL AGENDA**

#116\10      K OFFORD – That the additional agenda be approved as presented.

CARRIED

**COMMENTS**

Trustees provided reflections on the 2009 - 2010 school year.

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Imogene Walsh, Treasurer, joined the meeting at 9:59 am.

**MAY INTERIM FINANCIAL REPORTING**

Chair Smith welcomed Ms Walsh and invited her presentation. Ms Walsh reviewed Interim Financial Statements and Budget Reports as of May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2010 with the Trustees.

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Ms Walsh left the meeting at 10:27 am.

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**GREENPEACE**

Chair Smith shared an email with the Trustees advising the City of Camrose Environmental Education Center Committee would be reconvening in Fall 2010. Trustee Heiberg is Battle River School Division's representative on this Committee.

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Rick Jarrett, Assistant Superintendent, Instruction, joined the meeting at 10:28 am

**STAFFING UPDATE**

Mr Jarrett provided Trustees with an update on staffing.

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Mr Jarrett left the meeting at 10:40 am.

**MEETING RECESS**

The regular meeting recessed at 10:40 a.m. and reconvened at 10:58 a.m.

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**ALBERTA SCHOOL BOARDS' ASSOCIATION**

Policy Positions

Chair Smith brought to the attention of the Trustees the status and final wording of the ASBA policy positions that were presented and discussed at the ASBA Spring General Meeting on June 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>, 2010 in Red Deer.

Thank You

Chair Smith and Dr Larry Payne, Superintendent of Schools, received thank you cards on behalf of the Trustees for their presentation of 'Connecting To Your Vision In Crisis' at the ASBA Spring General Meeting.

**PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARD ASSOCIATION**

Spring Assembly Follow-Up

Chair Smith provided for the Trustees' review the Spring Assembly Follow-up from the PSBAA Spring General Meeting on June 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>, 2010 in Red Deer.

Thank You

Trustees received a thank you card from David King, Executive Director on the occasion of his retirement thanking them for their contribution to the success of PSBAA and their dedication to students and education in the Battle River School Division.

**PSBAA MEMBERSHIP**

#117\10 P ZENIUK - That the Board of Trustees withdraw membership from the Public School Board Association of Alberta effective December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2010.

CARRIED

**BOARD \ ADMINISTRATORS' RETREAT**

The Board \ Administrators' Retreat will be held on February 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>, 2011 at the Executive Royal Inn in Leduc.

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Percy Roberts, Director of Maintenance and Operations, joined the meeting at 11:20 am.

**CAMROSE MAINTENANCE SHOP RENOVATION**

#118\10 K SEVERSON - That the Board of Trustees accepts the tender from Wolski Building Contractors in the amount of \$777,882.00 for the renovation and addition to the Camrose Maintenance Shop.

CARRIED

Mr Roberts left the meeting at 11:31 am.  
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**CHAMP**

Chair Smith and Nancy McLeod, Director of Student Services, met with parents concerned about funding cuts to the CHAMP program.

#119\10 P MILLER – That the Board send a letter of support for the CHAMP program to the Minister of Health and Wellness, the Honourable Zwozdeski, and copy the MLAs representing the Battle River School Division.

CARRIED

**INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL REQUEST FOR TOFIELD SENIOR CONCERT BAND**

#120\10 R HEIBERG - That the Board approves, in principle and subject to Administrative Procedure 261 'Travel Study', the international travel trip to Oahu, Hawaii by the Tofield School Senior Concert Band students during Spring break 2011, March 24<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup>, 2011.

CARRIED

**TALK TO THE TRUSTEES**

Trustees reviewed a letter received through the BRSD Website 'Talk to the Trustees'.

**ASBA SPRING GENERAL MEETING DEBRIEF**

The Trustees shared their reflections on the Alberta School Board Association Spring General Meeting held June 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>, 2010 in Red Deer.

**MEETING DATES**

#121\10 P MILLER - That the Organizational Meeting of the Board be held October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2010 convening at 9:30 am.

Regular Meetings of the Board of Trustees will be held on September 9<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, and October 14<sup>th</sup>, 2010.

**IN-CAMERA SESSION (11:41 a.m.)**

#122\10 K OFFORD - That the regular meeting recess to permit the Trustees to meet in-camera, and that all persons except Trustees, Superintendent of Schools Payne, Deputy Superintendent Bosh, Assistant Superintendent - Business Schulte, Communications Coordinator Hutchinson, and Recording Secretary Fairall be excluded.

CARRIED

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**MEETING RECESS**

The regular meeting recessed at 11:57 a.m. and reconvened at 1:06 p.m.

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Ashley Maisonneuve, Teacher, CW Sears School, and Ciaus Doig, Student, along with Tiffany and Trevor Doig, Ciaus's parents, joined the meeting at 1:06 p.m.

Chair Smith welcomed Ms Ahsley Maisonneuve and Master Ciaus Doig, and his parents, and acknowledged their individual achievements.

Ms Maisonneuve is Battle River School Division's 2009 – 2010 nominee for the Alberta School Boards' Association Edwin Parr Teaching Award.

Ciaus Doig is a Grade 3 student at Chester Ronning School. In April of this year, he entered a contest to design ways for schools to become more environmentally friendly. The prize in the contest, sponsored by I. C. Bus, was an electric school bus, valued at about \$200,000. Ciaus created a newsletter template that included suggestions for things schools could do; a few facts about recycling; and a hand-drawn cartoon. His entry made it into the top 10 in Canada and he was a contest finalist.

Chair Smith expressed that recognizing these successes is a great way to end the year and thanked Ms Maisonneuve and Master Doig for the work they have done as a teacher and a student, respectively, and for joining today's meeting. Dr Larry Payne, Superintendent of Schools, commented that Battle River School Division's vision is 'Every Student, Every Day, A Success' and Ms Maisonneuve's and Master Doig's contributions, in different capacities, have shown us that the vision is alive and well.

Ms Maisonneuve, Master Doig, Tiffany and Trevor Doig left the meeting at 1:12 pm.

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**INDIVIDUAL TRUSTEE ACTIVITIES**

Chair Smith and Trustees Offord and Miller will be attending the PSBA Council Meeting on August 19<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup>, 2010 at the Executive Royal Inn in Leduc.

Chair Smith will be attending the ASBA Board of Directors' Leadership Retreat on August 16<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup>, 2010 in Banff.

Vice Chair Zeniuk will be attending the national Canadian School Board Association Congress 2010 on July 6<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup>, 2010 in St. John's, Newfoundland.

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**ADJOURNMENT**

All items of business being complete and there being no dissent, Chair Smith adjourned the meeting at 1:24 p.m.

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CHERYL SMITH, CHAIR

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WILLIAM SCHULTE, ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT - BUSINESS

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