

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE BATTLE RIVER REGIONAL DIVISION #31, HELD ON APRIL 25<sup>TH</sup>, 2013, COMMENCING AT 9:01 A.M.**

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**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 9:01 a.m.

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Public guests joined the meeting at 9:01 a.m.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

#44\13 S GRUNDBERG – That the Board of Trustees approve the agenda as amended with the following:

Defer:

- 7. NEW BUSINESS
  - 7.3 Budget – In Camera
  - 7.4 Early Learning Program Fees

11. TRUSTEE MATTERS

11.4 ASBA Zone 4 Meeting Report

Add:

11. TRUSTEE MATTERS

11.9 Curling Academy.

CARRIED

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

#45\13 K SEVERSON – That the Board of Trustees approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2013 as presented.

CARRIED

**SCHOOL CLOSURE MOTION – LOUGHEED SCHOOL**

Chair Bowie invited Dr Larry Payne, Superintendent of Schools, to present.

Dr Payne informed Trustees that on January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2013 a motion to consider the closure of Lougheed School was passed by the Board of Trustees. Subsequent to that and in accordance with the School Act and Battle River School Division Policy 15, administration gathered the required information which was presented to both the community and Board of Trustees. A community meeting was held in Lougheed on February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2013. Presentations and input from the Lougheed community were received on March 14<sup>th</sup> and April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2013. All information and aspects of the possible closure were carefully examined and considered by administration. As a result of this examination and process, it became apparent that while the past and current educational programs have provided a quality education, the administration believes that the future educational interests of these children cannot be best served at Lougheed School.

#46\13 J FIELDING - That, according to criteria noted in Policy 15 ‘School/Program Closure’, the Board of Trustees vote to close Lougheed School as of June 28<sup>th</sup>, 2013.

Chair Bowie requested a recorded vote.

In favour of the motion

Opposed to the motion

S Grundberg  
J Fielding  
C Smith  
R Heiberg  
D Bowie

P Miller  
N Metz  
K Severson

CARRIED

**SCHOOL CLOSURE MOTION – ROSALIND SCHOOL**

Chair Bowie invited Dr Larry Payne, Superintendent of Schools, to present.

Dr Payne informed Trustees that on January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2013 a motion to consider the closure of Rosalind School was passed by the Board of Trustees. Subsequent to that and in accordance with the School Act and Battle River School Division Policy 15, administration gathered the required information which was presented to both the community and the Board of Trustees. A community meeting was held in Rosalind on February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2013. Presentations and input from the Rosalind community were received on April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2013. All information and aspects of the possible closure were carefully examined and considered by administration. As a result of this examination and process, it became apparent that while the past and current educational programs have provided a quality education, the administration believes that the future educational interests of these children cannot be best served at Rosalind School.

#47\13 J FIELDING - That, according to criteria noted in Policy 15 ‘School/Program Closure’, the Board of Trustees vote to close Rosalind School as of June 28<sup>th</sup>, 2013.

Chair Bowie requested a recorded vote.

In favour of the motion

Opposed to the motion

S Grundberg  
J Fielding  
C Smith  
R Heiberg  
D Bowie

P Miller  
N Metz  
K Severson

CARRIED

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**MEETING RECESS**

The regular meeting recessed at 9:31 a.m. and reconvened at 9:59 a.m.

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**PROPOSED PROVINCIAL TEACHER AGREEMENT**

#48\13 P MILLER – That the Board of Trustees support the Proposed Provincial Teacher Agreement.

CARRIED

**2013 \ 2014 SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR**

Chair Bowie invited Rick Jarrett, Assistant Superintendent – Instruction, to present the 2013 \ 2014 School Year Calendar. Mr Jarrett recommended to Trustees that the first operational day of the 2013 \ 2014 School Year be amended to August 28<sup>th</sup>, 2013 and the January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2014 staff development day be amended due to final exams to January 30<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

#49\13 C SMITH - That the Board of Trustees approve the 2013 – 2014 School Year Calendar with amendments as presented.

CARRIED

**HAY LAKES BUS BARN**

#50\13 K SEVERSON - That the Board of Trustees approves Assistant Superintendent Imogene Walsh to negotiate with Camrose County for the construction of a combined Bus Storage /Grader Shed facility in an amount no more than \$250,000. Further that this arrangement includes an agreement that will include sharing of utility and repair costs.

CARRIED

**INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL REQUEST – FORESTBURG SCHOOL**

#51\13 P MILLER - That the Board of Trustees approves, in principle and subject to Administrative Procedure 261 ‘Travel Study’, the international travel trip to Italy and Greece by the Forestburg School International Travel Club students during spring break 2014, approximately April 10th to April 22nd, 2014.

CARRIED

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**MEETING RECESS**

The regular meeting recessed at 11:02 a.m. and reconvened 11:21 a.m.

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Cheryl Kropinske, Director of Finance, joined the meeting at 11:21 a.m.

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**MEETING RECESS**

The regular meeting recessed at 11:55 a.m. and reconvened at 1:12 p.m.

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**IN-CAMERA SESSION (1:13 p.m.)**

#52\13 N METZ - That the regular meeting recess to permit the Trustees to meet in-camera, and that all persons except Trustees and Assistant Superintendent – Business Walsh be excluded.

CARRIED

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**OUT OF IN-CAMERA SESSION (4:29 p.m.)**

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

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**CONTINUATION OF MEETING BEYOND 4:30 PM**

#53\13 C SMITH - That the regular meeting continue beyond 4:30 p.m.

CARRIED

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**IN-CAMERA SESSION (4:31 p.m.)**

#54\13 J FIELDING - That the regular meeting recess to permit the Trustees to meet in-camera, and that all persons except Trustees and Assistant Superintendent – Business Walsh be excluded.

CARRIED

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**OUT OF IN-CAMERA SESSION (5:48 p.m.)**

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

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**MEETING RECESS**

The regular meeting recessed at 5:49 p.m.

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