

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE BATTLE RIVER REGIONAL DIVISION #31, HELD ON MARCH 11<sup>TH</sup>, 2010, COMMENCING AT 10:32 A.M.**

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**PRESENT**

PETER MILLER  
VICTOR PETRUK  
KENDALL SEVERSON  
CHERYL SMITH  
HAMEED SYED  
PATRICIA ZENIUK

**ABSENT**

REBECCA HEIBERG, Trustee  
KEN OFFORD, Trustee  
RAY BOSH, Deputy Superintendent

**ALSO PRESENT**

DR LARRY PAYNE, Superintendent of Schools  
RICK JARRETT, Assistant Superintendent - Instruction  
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 10:32 a.m.

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

#29\10 H SYED – That the agenda be approved with the addition of the following items:

**INFORMATION ITEMS**

- 5.11 Presentation to ASBA Spring General Meeting
- 5.12 Letter from Minister re. Reappointment of Superintendent.

CARRIED

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Imogene Walsh, Treasurer, joined the meeting at 10:32 a.m.

**LETTER FROM MINISTER RE. REAPPOINTMENT OF SUPERINTENDENT**

Chair Smith brought to the Board's attention a letter received from Honourable David Hancock, Minister of Education, approving the reappointment of Dr Larry Payne as Superintendent of Schools for the Battle River Regional Division #31 effective September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010 to August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2015.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

#30\10 K SEVERSON – That the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees held on February 11<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>, 2010 be approved as presented.

CARRIED

**IN-CAMERA SESSION (10:35 a.m.)**

#31\10 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 Schulte, Treasurer Walsh, Communications Coordinator Hutchinson, and Recording Secretary Fairall be excluded.

CARRIED

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Ms Walsh left the meeting at 11:54 a.m.

**MEETING RECESS**

The regular meeting recessed at 11:56 a.m. and reconvened at 1:10 p.m.

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Patty Dittrick, President of PSBAA and David King, Executive Director of PSBAA joined the meeting at 1:10 p.m.

**MEETING WITH PATTY DITTRICK AND DAVID KING OF PSBAA**

Chair Smith welcomed Ms Dittrick and Mr King to the meeting and invited their presentation. Ms Dittrick provided background into the history of the Public School Board Association, the role of PSBAA outlining her view of the differences between PSBAA and ASBA, and defined the strategic intention of the PSBAA.

Ms Dittrick and Mr King left the meeting at 2:13 p.m.

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**MEETING RECESS**

The regular meeting recessed at 2:13 p.m. and reconvened at 2:22 p.m.

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**ASBA BUDGET SESSION FOR BOARD CHAIRS \ SUPERINTENDENTS**

Chair Smith, Dr Larry Payne, Bill Schulte, and Imogene Walsh will attend an ASBA Budget Session meeting on March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2010 in Edmonton.

**ATA LIASON MEETING**

Chair Smith advised that the ATA Liaison Meeting is scheduled for March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. at the Norsemen Inn in Camrose. Trustees reviewed items to be discussed at the meeting.

**CANADIAN SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION CONGRESS**

#32\10 P MILLER - That the Board approve Patricia Zeniuk's attendance at the Canadian School Boards' Association Congress in St. John's, Newfoundland, July 7<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup>, 2010.

CARRIED

**ASBA ZONE 4 MEETING**

Vice Chair Zeniuk will attend the ASBA Zone 4 Meeting on March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2010 in Rocky Mountain House.

**IN-CAMERA SESSION (2:27 p.m.)**

#33\10 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 Schulte, Communications Officer Hutchinson, and Recording Secretary Fairall be excluded.

CARRIED

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**SATISFACTION SURVEY RESULTS**

Mr Jarrett reviewed a summary of the 2009 – 2010 Satisfaction Survey Results.

Chair Smith and Dr Payne thanked Mr Jarrett for his extensive amount of work in revising survey questions and collating the results.

**SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR**

Mr Jarrett presented a draft of the 2011 – 2012 School Year Calendar with a preliminary look at professional development.

**THREE YEAR PLAN**

Mr Jarrett provided a preview of the 2010 – 2013 Three Year Plan, predicting few major changes from last year's plan. Mr Jarrett advised that Alberta Education has mandated a new goal for the First Nations, Metis, and Inuit (FNMI). Battle River School Division's Three Year Plan will include Policy 21, Healthy School Communities and Workplaces, and Policy 22, Reserves, Surpluses and Deficits.

Mr Jarrett left the meeting at 4:24 p.m.

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**MEETING RECESS**

The regular meeting recessed at 4:24 p.m. and reconvened at 4:29 p.m.

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Maureen Parker, Director of Curriculum, joined the meeting at 4:29 p.m.

**SPEECH COMPETITION**

Chair Smith welcomed Ms Parker and invited her presentation. Ms Parker advised that Bawlf, Camrose Composite, Charlie Killam, Daysland, Hay Lakes, New Norway, and Tofield Schools would be participating in the Speech Competition with a total of twelve speakers.

The Battle River School Division's Competition is tentatively scheduled for April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2010 in Camrose. The Zone 4 Competition is scheduled for May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2010, hosted by Chinook's Edge.

Ms Parker left the meeting at 4:37 p.m.

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**TECHNOLOGY CONFERENCE**

Dr Larry Payne requested Trustee attendance as part of a Division team participating in the Technology Conference “Leading Our Way Forward” on April 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>, 2010 at the Shaw Conference Centre in Edmonton. Ray Bosh, Deputy Superintendent, and Ken Robitaille, Director of Technology, will also be on the team. Trustees will indicate interest to Ms Fairall prior to the March 22<sup>nd</sup> Board Meeting.

**MEETING RECESS**

The Regular Meeting recessed at 4:42 p.m.

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