

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE BATTLE RIVER REGIONAL DIVISION #31, HELD ON August 31, 2009, COMMENCING AT 2:50 P.M.

PRESENT

REBECCA HEIBERG
PETER MILLER
KEN OFFORD
VICTOR PETRUK
KENDALL SEVERSON
CHERYL SMITH
HAMEED SYED
PATRICIA ZENIUK

ABSENT

ALSO PRESENT

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

C. SMITH IN THE CHAIR

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Smith called the meeting to order at 2:50 p.m.

Chair Smith introduced Greg Friend, Director of Personnel, and Dennis Dunlop, Division Principal, and welcomed them to Division Office.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

#110\09 P ZENIUK – That the agenda be approved with the addition of 7.7 New Business
- Report to Community as presented.

CARRIED

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

#111\09 K SEVERSON – That the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees held on June 11th and June 18th, 2009 be approved as presented.

CARRIED

Imogene Walsh, Treasurer joined the meeting at 2:57 p.m.

IN-CAMERA SESSION (2:57p.m.)

#112\09 H SYED - 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 Officer Hutchinson, Treasurer Walsh and Recording Secretary Fairall be excluded.

CARRIED

Ms Walsh left the meeting at 3:54 p.m.

INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL REQUEST

#113\09 V PETRUK - That the Board approves, in principle and subject to Administrative Procedure 261 'Travel Study', the international travel trip to Greece by the Viking School International Travel Club students during spring break 2010 (March 25th to April 3rd, 2010).

CARRIED

STAINED GLASS: ADVANCED TECHNIQUES 15-25-35

#114 \09 R HEIBERG - That the Board of Trustees amend Board Motion #66\09 to read: "That, subject to approval by Alberta Education, Stained Glass: Advanced Techniques 15, 25, 35, as developed by the Battle River School Division No. 31, be offered as a locally developed course in Battle River School Division #31 until August 31st, 2010, subject to the conditions of use outlined by Director of Curriculum Branch in her letter dated May 12th, 2009."

CARRIED

GIRLS' EMPOWERMENT CONFERENCE – BE CHIC

#115\09 P MILLER - That the Board provides \$500 to the Family Violence Action Society in support of the third Junior High School Girls Empowerment Conference titled Be CHIC (Cool, Hip and In Control).

CARRIED

H1N1 – FLU PREPARATION

Dr Payne provided an update to Trustees on steps taken throughout Battle River School Division to minimize the risks of spreading the H1N1 virus, identify the symptoms, and how to proceed if a student appears to have the H1N1 virus. Information has been provided to the schools to be sent home to parents with school newsletters.

ASBA ZONE 4 MEETING

The ASBA Zone 4 Meeting will be held on September 28th, 2009 at the Ramada Inn in Camrose.

REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY

Chair Smith thanked Diane Hutchinson, Communications Officer, for the excellent work she has done on the annual '*Report To The Community*' to be sent throughout the division via the Camrose Booster.

#116\09 V PETRUK - That the Board of Trustees approve the 'Report to the Community' as presented.

CARRIED

ADMINISTRATORS' MEETING

Chair Smith, Vice Chair Zeniuk, and Trustees Miller, Heiberg and Petruk attended the Administrator's Meeting held on August 25th, 2009 at the Camrose Legion.

BUS DRIVERS' LIAISON REPORT

Trustee Miller provided an update on the Bus Drivers' Liaison Meeting held on June 22nd and 23rd, 2009.

INSPIRING EDUCATION WORKSHOP

Trustee Miller reported on the Inspiring Education Workshop he attended on June 23rd, 2009 in Edmonton.

WESTERN CANADA CONFERENCE

The Trustees received an invitation from Public School Boards' Association to attend the Western Canada Character Education Conference on November 5th & 6th, 2009 in Kananaskis hosted by Palliser Regional Schools.

PASSING OF TRUSTEE

A sympathy card will be sent on behalf of the Trustees to the family of Cathy Ollenberger, Trustee for Wetaskiwin Regional Public Schools.

NEW COMPUTERS

The Trustees have been invited to join an Office 2007 course hosted by the Transportation Department during the week of September 21st, 2009.

ADJOURNMENT

All items of business being complete and there being no dissent, Chair Smith adjourned the meeting at 4:39 p.m.

CHERYL SMITH, CHAIR

WILLIAM SCHULTE, ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT (BUSINESS)

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