

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE BATTLE RIVER REGIONAL DIVISION #31, HELD ON SEPTEMBER 22, 2005, COMMENCING AT 9:32 A.M.**

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**PRESENT**

REBECCA HEIBERG  
BRENDA HERDER  
GERRY OBERG (joined the meeting at 1:15 p.m.)  
KEN OFFORD  
VICTOR PETRUK  
CHERYL SMITH (joined the meeting at 10:05 a.m.)  
HAMEED SYED  
PATRICIA ZENIUK

**ABSENT**

**ALSO PRESENT**

WARREN PHILLIPS, Superintendent of Schools  
RAY BOSH, Deputy Superintendent  
BILL SCHULTE, Secretary-Treasurer  
TIM CHAMBERLIN, Communications Officer  
SYLVIA LAUBER, Recording Secretary

**B. HERDER IN THE CHAIR**

Dr. Larry Payne, Assistant Superintendent, joined the meeting at 9:32 a.m.

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

#213/05 P. ZENIUK – That the items noted on the distributed copies of the add-on sheet and the following item be added to the agenda:

6.12 Letter From a Parent

CARRIED

**IN-CAMERA SESSION (9:34 a.m.)**

#214/05 K. OFFORD – That the regular meeting recess to permit the Trustees to meet in-camera, and further that all persons except Trustees, Superintendent of Schools Phillips, Deputy Superintendent Bosh, Assistant Superintendent Payne, Secretary-Treasurer Schulte, and Recording Secretary Lauber be excluded.

CARRIED

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Trustee Smith joined the meeting at 10:05 a.m.

Dr. Payne left the meeting at 10:20 a.m.

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The in-camera session recessed at 10:21 a.m.

**CHARLIE KILLAM HOCKEY SCHOOL PROPOSAL**

At 10:21 a.m., Chairman Herder welcomed Mr. Miles Walsh, Vice-Principal at Charlie Killam School and Mr. Boris Rybalka, General Manager and Head Coach of the Kodiaks Hockey Team, to the meeting and invited their presentation.

Mr. Walsh and Mr. Rybalka presented a proposal for a partnership between Charlie Killam School, Battle River Online and Next Wave Hockey Academy to establish a Battle River Hockey Academy where student athletes can focus on both academic achievement and individual skill development.

Mr. Walsh and Mr. Rybalka left the meeting at 10:48 a.m.

**MEETING RECESS**

The regular meeting recessed at 10:49 a.m. and reconvened at 10:59 a.m.

**CAMROSE COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS**

#215/05 K. OFFORD – That the Board of Trustees approves the name of the new school, currently known as ‘Camrose Community Connections’, to be “Ohaton Country School”.

CARRIED

**VIDEO-CONFERENCING PROPOSAL**

Dr. Phillips, Superintendent, informed Trustees that Alberta Education submitted a request for proposals for video-conferencing on three different themes. Battle River School Division #31 will be submitting a proposal on the theme of delivering programs in small schools. Mr. Merle Stover, former Superintendent of Schools for Battle River School Division #31, will be developing and writing the proposal.

**LETTER FROM PARENT**

Trustee Syed reviewed a letter received from a parent, via e-mail, with respect to the size of classrooms in several schools in Camrose. Mr. Syed questioned Dr. Phillips with respect to the number of schools with combined or split grades. Dr. Phillips responded that most schools in Battle River School Division #31 have combined or split grades. Dr. Phillips provided an explanation with respect to the current combined classes at Jack Stuart School, which is the school noted in the letter. Dr.

Phillips further noted that he has responded to the above-noted concerns via a return e-mail.

**REPORT FROM TRUSTEES RE DIRECTIVES FOR ACTIONS, ASBA FALL GENERAL MEETING**

#216/05 C. SMITH – That the report from Trustees re the Directives for Actions for the ASBA Fall General Meeting be referred to the Committee meeting immediately following this Board meeting.

CARRIED

**MEETING RECESS**

The regular meeting recessed at 11:18 a.m. and reconvened at 1:15 p.m.

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Trustee Oberg was present at the time of reconvening.

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**BATTLE RIVER HOCKEY ACADEMY**

#217/05 H. SYED – That the Board of Trustees approves, in principle, the proposal for a pilot project by Charlie Killam School to establish the Battle River Hockey Academy.

CARRIED

**ADJOURNMENT**

All items of business being complete and there being no dissent, Chairman Herder adjourned the meeting at 1:30 p.m.

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BRENDA HERDER, CHAIRMAN

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WILLIAM SCHULTE, SECRETARY-TREASURER

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