

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE BATTLE RIVER REGIONAL DIVISION NO. 31, HELD ON JUNE 13TH, 2019, COMMENCING AT 9:00 A.M.

PRESENT

LYLE ALBRECHT
KAREN BELICH
NORMAN ERICKSON
ZSUZSANNA HEMPERGER
JEFFREY KIMBALL
KENDALL SEVERSON
VALERIE SIMS
LAURIE SKORI

ABSENT

ALSO PRESENT

RITA MARLER, Superintendent of Schools
BRETT HUCULAK, Assistant Superintendent – Human Resources
SHAN JORGENSON-ADAM, Assistant Superintendent – Learning
IMOGENE WALSH, Assistant Superintendent – Business
DIANE HUTCHINSON, Director of Communication
SHIRLEY FAIRALL, Executive Assistant – Superintendent

CHAIR ERICKSON IN THE CHAIR

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Erickson called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Garth Rapson, Director of Transportation, and Scott Hagstrom, parent, joined the Meeting at 9:00 a.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

#37\19 L SKORI – That the Board of Trustees approves the Agenda as presented.

CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

#38\19 K SEVERSON – That the Board of Trustees approves the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 23rd, 2019 as presented.

CARRIED

TRANSPORTATION APPEAL

Chair Erickson welcomed Scott Hagstrom and invited his appeal to have the Battle River School Division school bus enter the Wetaskiwin Regional Public School Division to pick up their child(ren) at their residence gate.

Mr Hagstrom left the Meeting at 9:08 a.m.

Ria Devries and Nick joined the Meeting at 9:24 a.m.

BOUNDARY APPEAL

Chair Erickson welcomed Ria Devries and Nick Gabruck and invited their appeal to have their son attend École Sifton School. Currently the Devries family resides in the Sparling School catchment area.

Ms Devries and Mr Gabruck left the meeting at 9:37 a.m.

Mr Rapson left the Meeting at 9:43 a.m.

HAGSTROM APPEAL

#39\19 Z HEMPERGER - That the Board of Trustees approve the request of the Hagstrom family to have Battle River School Bus enter the Wetaskiwin Regional Public School Division to pick up their child(ren) at their residence gate.

DEFEATED

CITY OF CAMROSE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BOUDARIES

#40\19 V SIMS - That the Board of Trustees approves opening the attendance boundaries for elementary schools within the City of Camrose.

CARRIED

WARD BOUNDARY REVIEW

Trustees agreed to defer the Ward Boundary Review discussion to the first Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees in September 2019.

DEVRIES APPEAL

#41\19 V SIMS – That the Board of Trustees deny the request of Ria Devries and Nick Gabruck to provide transportation to have their child(ren) approved to attend a school of their choice.

CARRIED

MEETING RECESS

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees recessed at 10:14 a.m. and reconvened at 10:30 a.m.

INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL REQUEST – VIKING SCHOOL

#42\19 K BELICH - That the Board of Trustees approves, in principle and subject to Administrative Procedure 261 'Travel Study', the international travel trip to Peru by the Viking School International Travel Club students during 2019 – 2020 spring break, tentatively March 20th to 29th, 2020.

CARRIED

INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL REQUEST – TOFIELD AND HAY LAKES SCHOOLS

#43\19 Z HEMPERGER - That the Board of Trustees approves, in principle and subject to Administrative Procedure 261 'Travel Study', the international travel trip to France, Switzerland, Austria, and Germany by the Tofield School International Travel Club students during spring break 2019 - 2020, tentatively March 19th to 29th, 2020.

CARRIED

INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL REQUEST – ÉCOLE CAMROSE COMPOSITE HIGH SCHOOL

#44\19 V SIMS - That the Board approves, in principle and subject to Administrative Procedure 261 'Travel Study', the international travel trip to the Netherlands, France and London by the École Camrose Composite High School students during 2019 – 2020 spring break, tentatively March 19th to 30th, 2020.

CARRIED

ADULT STUDENT FEES

#45\19 K SEVERSON - That the adult student fee for 2019-2020 be set at \$190.85 per credit taken, and further that this fee not include the transportation fee.

CARRIED

EARLY LEARNING FEE

#46\19 L ALBRECHT - That the Board of Trustees approves Early Learning Fees for 2019-2020 to be as follows:

- 3 Year Old Program - \$85 per month
- 4 Year Old Program - \$150 per month

CARRIED

INELIGIBLE ALTERNATIVE STOP TRANSPORTATION FEE

#47\19 K SEVERSON - That the Board of Trustees approves the fee for ineligible alternative stop transportation services for the 2019-2020 school year at \$400.00 per student.

CARRIED

INELIGIBLE TRANSPORTATION FEE

#48\19 Z HEMPERGER - That the Board of Trustees approves the fee for ineligible transportation services for the 2019-2020 school year at \$400.00 per student, to a maximum charge of \$900.00 per family.

CARRIED

Trustee Albrecht abstained from voting on the following motion due to possible conflict of interest.

HOLDEN BUS STORAGE

#49\19 V SIMS - That the Board of Trustees authorizes the Assistant Superintendent – Business to apply to the Minister of Education for approval to dispose of the Holden Bus Storage facility and land (Lots 13 – 15, Plan 4558HW, Block 6 in the Village of Holden), and subject to Ministerial approval, accept the offer from Mark Wallace Giebelhaus in the amount of \$20,000.00 and finalize the disposition.

CARRIED

EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT RATES

#50\19 K BELICH - That the Board of Trustees approves the following reimbursement rates for trustees and staff, effective July 1, 2019:

- Kilometer rate \$.58 per km for first 5,000 km and \$.52 per km thereafter.
- Meals (no receipts)
- Breakfast \$11.00
- Lunch \$15.00
- Dinner \$23.50.

CARRIED

Tammy Richard, Susan Hepburn, Lynne Jenkinson, Perry Robinson, and Roy Wallace joined the meeting at 11:29 a.m.

FRIENDS OF BATTLE RIVER AWARD RECIPIENTS

Chair Erickson welcomed Ms Richard, Ms Hepburn, Ms Jenkinson, Mr Robinson, and Mr Wallace and congratulated them on behalf of the Battle River School Division Board of Trustees for receiving the Friends of Battle River Awards and thanked them for their contribution to our students.

The Friends of Battle River Award was created to recognize individuals or organizations who have contributed in outstanding ways to the success of students in BRSD schools.

Tammy Richard of Alberta Health Services Health Promotions, Addiction Prevention and Mental Health Programming, accepted the Friends of Battle River Division wide award for her work in supporting students across the entire Battle River School Division. Susan Hepburn accepted the Camrose County Friends of Battle River Award for her volunteer help for students and staff at the New Norway School. On behalf of Flagstaff Family and Community Services, represented by Lynne Jenkinson and Perry Robinson, accepted the Flagstaff County Friends of Battle River Award for bringing in presenters to promote positive choices, resilience and mental health awareness in support of students in the County. Roy Wallace accepted the City of Camrose Friends of Battle River Award on behalf of the Camrose Rotary Club for their long-time support of Camrose Outreach School assisting students to participate in an annual Youth Leadership Canoe Trip.

Ms Richard, Ms Hepburn, Ms Jenkinson, Mr Robinson, and Mr Wallace left the meeting at 11:57 a.m.

MEETING RECESS

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees recessed at 11:57 a.m. and reconvened at 1:06 p.m.

IN-CAMERA SESSION (1:07 P.M.)

#51\19 K SEVERSON – That the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees recess to permit Trustees to meet in-camera, and that all persons, except Chair Erickson, Vice Chair Belich, Trustee Albrecht, Trustee Hempterger, Trustee Kimball, Trustee Severson, Trustee Skori, Superintendent Marler, and Assistant Superintendent - Business Walsh, be excluded.

CARRIED

OUT OF IN-CAMERA SESSION (1:25 P.M.)

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

Trustee Sims, Assistant Superintendent – Human Resources Huculak, Assistant Superintendent – Learning Jorgenson-Adam, Director of Communications Hutchinson, and Executive Assistant – Superintendent Fairall, joined the meeting at 1:15 p.m.

Trustee Sims abstained from voting on the following motion due to possible conflict of interest.

EARLY RETIREMENT INCENTIVE MOTION

#52\19 Z HEMPERGER – That the Board of Trustees approve the use of up to \$500,000.00 of reserves to offer an Early Retirement Incentive Plan to Division Department level staff for 2018 – 2019.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

All items of business being completed and there being no dissent, Chair Erickson adjourned the meeting at 1:43 p.m.

NORM ERICKSON, CHAIR

IMOGENE WALSH, ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT – BUSINESS

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