

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE BATTLE RIVER SCHOOL DIVISION, HELD ON SEPTEMBER 24<sup>TH</sup>, 2020, COMMENCING AT 9:03 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  
SHAN JORGENSON-ADAM, Assistant Superintendent – Learning  
IMOGENE WALSH, Secretary Treasurer  
NATASHA WILM, Assistant Superintendent – System Supports  
DIANE HUTCHINSON, Director of Communication  
JASON URKOW, Systems/Network Analyst  
SHIRLEY FAIRALL, Executive Assistant – Superintendent

**CHAIR BELICH IN THE CHAIR**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Belich called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

-----

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

#94\20          N ERICKSON – That the Board of Trustees approves the Agenda as presented.

CARRIED

**APPROVAL OF MINTES**

#95\20          V SIMS – That the Board of Trustees approves the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

CARRIED

#96\20 Z HEMPERGER – That the Board of Trustees approves the Minutes of the Organizational Meeting of August 27<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

CARRIED

**TRAVEL**

#97\20 L SKORI - That the Board of Trustees suspend all student and staff international travel for the 2020 – 2021 School Year.

CARRIED

**SIGNING AUTHORITY – SCHOOL DIVISION CONTRACTS**

#98\20 V SIMS – That the Board of Trustees approves the amendment to Motion #80\20, passed at the Organizational Meeting of the Board of Trustees on August 27<sup>th</sup>, 2020, to read:

That signing authorities for Battle River School Division contracts be any of the following persons: the Chairman, Superintendent of Schools, Assistant Superintendent – Learning, Secretary Treasurer, or Assistant Superintendent – System Supports.

#99\20 K SEVERSON – That Motion #98\20 be amended to read:

That signing authorities for Battle River School Division contracts be any of the following persons: the Chair, Superintendent of Schools, Assistant Superintendent – Learning, Secretary Treasurer, or Assistant Superintendent – System Supports.

CARRIED

#98\20 V SIMS – That the Board of Trustees approves the amendment to Motion #80\20, passed at the Organizational Meeting of the Board of Trustees on August 27<sup>th</sup>, 2020, to read:

That signing authorities for Battle River School Division contracts be any of the following persons: the Chair, Superintendent of Schools, Assistant Superintendent – Learning, Secretary Treasurer, or Assistant Superintendent – System Supports.

CARRIED

**BOARD REPRESENTATION ON EXTERNAL COMMITTEES**

#100\20 L SKORI – That the Board of Trustees approves the amendment to Motion #91\20, passed at the Organization Meeting of the Board of Trustees on August 27<sup>th</sup>, 2020, to read:

That the Board of Trustees will have representation on the following external committees as listed:

ASBA Zone 4

1 Trustee  
1 Trustee (Alternate)

Canadian Parents for French

1 Trustee

Rural Caucus of Alberta

Board Chair or Vice Chair

Teachers' Employer Bargaining Association (TEBA)

1 Trustee.

CARRIED

**BOARD MEMBERSHIP ON EXTERNAL COMMITTEES**

#101\20 L ALBRECHT – That the Board of Trustees approves the amendment to Motion #91\20, passed at the Organization Meeting of the Board of Trustees on August 27<sup>th</sup>, 2020, to read:

That the Board of Trustees will have representation on the following external committees as listed:

ASBA Zone 4

Trustee Skori  
Trustee Kimball (Alternate)

Canadian Parents for French

Trustee Sims

Rural Caucus of Alberta

Vice Chair Hemperger

Teachers' Employer Bargaining Association (TEBA)

Trustee Erickson.

CARRIED

**POLITICAL ADVOCACY PLAN**

#102\20 Z HEMPERGER - That the Board of Trustees accepts the Political Advocacy Plan for the 2020 – 2021 school year as presented.

CARRIED

**INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL TRIP – DAYSLAND SCHOOL**

#103\20 N ERICKSON - That the Board approves in principle and subject to Administrative Procedure 261 'Travel Study', the international travel trip to Vimy Ridge and Juno Beach, France by the Daysland School students during spring break 2022.

CARRIED

**INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PROGRAM TUITION**

#104\20 K SEVERSON - That the Board of Trustees approves the tuition fee for the international and foreign students at \$10,650.00 for 10 months for the 2021 – 2022 school year and that this fee include the transportation fee and all school fees, except for activity fees.

CARRIED

**ANNUAL REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY**

#105\20 Z HEMPERGER – That the Board of Trustees approves proceeding with the 2019 – 2020 School Year Report to the Community for a maximum cost of \$7,000.00 plus GST.

CARRIED

-----

Garth Rapson, Director of Transportation, joined the meeting at 9:29 a.m.

-----

Curtis Brausen joined the meeting at 9:37 a.m.

Jason Urkow, Systems/Network Analyst, left the meeting at 9:37 a.m.

**TRANPORTATION APEAL – CURTIS BRAUSEN**

Chair Belich welcomed Mr Brausen and invited his presentation. Mr Brausen requested that Battle River School Division Board of Trustees allow the Buffalo Trail School Division School Bus to enter Battle River School Division to pick up their child(ren) at their residence gate, to attend the school of their choice, Irma School.

Mr Brausen left the meeting at 9:55 a.m.

-----

Jennifer Stuart joined the meeting 9:57 a.m.

**TRANSPORTATION APEAL – JENNIFER STUART**

Chair Belich welcomed Ms Stuart and invited her presentation. Ms Stuart requested that Battle River School Division Board of Trustees allow the Buffalo Trail School Division School Bus to enter Battle River School Division to pick up their child(ren) at their residence gate, to attend the school of their choice, Irma School.

Ms Stuart left the meeting at 10:05 a.m.

-----

Mr Rapson left the meeting at 10:07 a.m.

-----

**MEETING RECESS**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees recessed at 10:08 a.m. and reconvened at 10:22 a.m.

-----

**TRANSPORTATION APPEAL – CURTIS BRAUSEN (Continued)**

#106\20 L ALBRECHT - That the Board of Trustees denies the request of the Brausen family to have the Buffalo Trail School Division school bus enter Battle River School Division to pick up their children at the Brausen residence gate.

CARRIED

**TRANSPORTATION APPEAL – JENNIFER STUART (Continued)**

#107\20 K SEVERSON - That the Board of Trustees denies the request of the Stuart family to have the Buffalo Trail School Division school bus enter Battle River School Division to pick up their children at the Stuart residence gate.

CARRIED

-----

**MEETING RECESS**

The Regular Meeting recessed at 11:08 a.m. and reconvened at 11:15 a.m.

-----

Trustee Severson left the meeting at 11:15 a.m.

-----

**IN-CAMERA SESSION (11:15 A.M.)**

#108\20 Z HEMPERGER – That the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees recess to permit Trustees to meet in-camera, and that all persons, except Chair Belich, Vice Chair Hemperger, Trustee Albrecht, Trustee Erickson, Trustee Kimball, Trustee Sims, Trustee Skori, Superintendent Marler, Assistant Superintendent – Learning Jorgenson-Adam, Secretary Treasurer Walsh, Assistant Superintendent – System Supports Wilm, Director of Communications Hutchinson, and Executive Assistant – Superintendent Fairall, be excluded.

CARRIED

-----

Trustee Severson joined the meeting at 11:50 a.m.

-----

**OUT OF IN-CAMERA SESSION (11:53 A.M.)**

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

-----

**ROSE CITY HANDI-VAN SOCIETY**

#109\20 K SEVERSON - That the Board of Trustees authorizes the Director of Transportation to negotiate with Rose City Handi-Van Society for additional costs associated with transporting BRSD children and students during COVID.

CARRIED

**ALBERTA TEACHERS ASSOCIATION MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT RATIFICATION**

Trustee Severson abstained from voting on the following motion.

#110\20 N ERICKSON - That the Board of Trustees ratifies in principle the Collective Agreement between Battle River School Division and the Alberta Teachers' Association effective September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020 to August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2021.

CARRIED

**HEALTH SPENDING WELLNESS ACCOUNT**

#111\20 N ERICKSON –That the Board of Trustees approves all eligible non-unionized staff to allocate a portion of their health spending account to a wellness account as per Clause 7.3.1 of the Alberta Teachers' Association Collective Agreement.

CARRIED

-----

**ADJOURNMENT**

All items of business being completed and there being no dissent, Chair Belich adjourned the meeting at 11:56 a.m.

---

KAREN BELICH, CHAIR

---

IMOGENE WALSH, SECRETARY TREASURER

**TABLE OF CONTENTS**

**CALL TO ORDER** \_\_\_\_\_ **1**

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA** \_\_\_\_\_ **1**

**APPROVAL OF MINTES** \_\_\_\_\_ **1**

**TRAVEL** \_\_\_\_\_ **2**

**SIGNING AUTHORITY – SCHOOL DIVISION CONTRACTS** \_\_\_\_\_ **2**

**BOARD REPRESENTATION ON EXTERNAL COMMITTEES** \_\_\_\_\_ **3**

**BOARD MEMBERSHIP ON EXTERNAL COMMITTEES** \_\_\_\_\_ **3**

**POLITICAL ADVOCACY PLAN** \_\_\_\_\_ **4**

**INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL TRIP – DAYSLAND SCHOOL** \_\_\_\_\_ **4**

**INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PROGRAM TUITION** \_\_\_\_\_ **4**

**ANNUAL REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY** \_\_\_\_\_ **4**

**TRANSPORTATION APEAL – CURTIS BRAUSEN** \_\_\_\_\_ **4**

**TRANSPORTATION APEAL – JENNIFER STUART** \_\_\_\_\_ **5**

**TRANSPORTATION APPEAL – CURTIS BRAUSEN (Continued)** \_\_\_\_\_ **5**

**TRANSPORTATION APPEAL – JENNIFER STUART (Continued)** \_\_\_\_\_ **5**

**ROSE CITY HANDI-VAN SOCIETY** \_\_\_\_\_ **6**

**ALBERTA TEACHERS ASSOCIATION MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT RATIFICATION** \_\_\_\_\_ **6**

**HEALTH SPENDING WELLNESS ACCOUNT** \_\_\_\_\_ **7**