

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE BATTLE RIVER SCHOOL DIVISION, HELD ON MAY 12TH, 2022, COMMENCING AT 10:30 A.M.

PRESENT

LYLE ALBRECHT
DOUG ALGAR
KAREN BELICH
DWIGHT DIBBEN
PATRICK MCFEELY

ABSENT

ALSO PRESENT

RITA MARLER, Superintendent of Schools
SHAN JORGENSON-ADAM, Deputy Superintendent
IMOGENE WALSH, Secretary-Treasurer
NATASHA WILM, Assistant Superintendent - Human Resources
DIANE HUTCHINSON, Director of Communication
SHIRLEY FAIRALL, Executive Assistant - Superintendent

CHAIR BELICH IN THE CHAIR

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Belich called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

#41\22 D DIBBEN - That the Board of Trustees approves the Agenda with the following addition:

9. IN-CAMERA SESSION, and

amend:

item 9. to 10. TRUSTEE MATTERS, and

item 10 to 11. ADJOURNMENT.

CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

#42\22 L ALBRECHT - That the Board of Trustees approves the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of April 28th, 2022.

CARRIED

IN-CAMERA SESSION (10:32 A.M.)

#43\22 D ALGAR - That the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees recess to permit Trustees to meet in-camera, and that all persons, except Trustees, Superintendent Marler, Deputy Superintendent Jorgenson-Adam, Assistant Superintendent Human Resources Wilm, Secretary-Treasurer Walsh, Director of Communications Hutchinson, and Executive Assistant - Superintendent Fairall be excluded.

CARRIED

Cheryl Kropinske, Director of Finance, joined the Meeting at 10:52 a.m.

OUT OF IN-CAMERA SESSION (10:55 A.M.)

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

2022 - 2023 BUDGET ASSUMPTIONS

#44\22 D ALGAR - That the Board of Trustees accepts the Budget Assumptions for the 2022 - 2023 School Year as presented.

#45\22 D DIBBEN - That the Board approves an amendment to Motion #44\22 to read “That the Board of Trustees accepts the Budget Assumptions for the 2022 - 2023 school year as amended to provide school teaching allocation to support the delivery of core subjects to all Battle River School Division students in grades one to nine in the grade level they are enrolled in”.

DEFEATED

#44\22 D ALGAR - That the Board of Trustees accepts the Budget Assumptions for the 2022 - 2023 School Year as presented.

CARRIED

MEETING RECESS

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees recessed at 12:15 p.m. and reconvened at 12:46 p.m.

BUDGET APPROVAL

#46\22 D ALGAR - That the Board of Trustees approves the 2022 - 2023 Budget as amended, including the request for approval from the Minister of Education to use surplus funds for operating expenses.

CARRIED

INELIGIBLE TRANSPORTATION FEE

#47\22 D ALGAR - That the Board of Trustees approves the fee for ineligible transportation services for the 2022 - 2023 school year at \$400.00 per student in grades 1 to 12 and \$200.00 per child in Kindergarten, to a maximum charge of \$900.00 per family.

CARRIED

KILOMETER RATE FOR SCHOOL FIELD TRIPS

#48\22 D DIBBEN - That the Board of Trustees approves the rate to be charged to schools for use of buses for field trips be established at \$.88 \ kilometer for the 2022 - 2023 school year.

CARRIED

CROSS-BOUNDARY FEES

#49\22 D DIBBEN - That the Board of Trustees approves the rate for the 2022 - 2023 cross-boundary transportation fees is established using the following formula:

#kms one round trip x cost\km (currently \$1.50) x 177 school instructional days.

CARRIED

TECHNOLOGY FEE

#50\22 D ALGAR - That, for the 2022 - 2023 school year, the Board of Trustees approves a Technology Fee as follows:

- a) Grades 1 to 3 \$10.00
- b) Grades 4 to 12 \$20.00

CARRIED

SUMMER SCHOOL FEES FOR 2021 - 2022 SCHOOL YEAR

#51\22 L ALBRECHT - That the summer school fee for 2021 - 2022 be set at \$45.00 per course for Battle River School Division students and \$65 per course for non-resident students, and further that this fee is non-refundable.

CARRIED

ACCEPTANCE OF EXTERNAL AUDITOR PROPOSAL

#52\22 D DIBBEN - That the Board of Trustees accepts the Audit Committee's recommendation to appoint the firm of MNP, LLP as external auditors, for the period of September 1st, 2021 to August 31st, 2026.

CARRIED

FRIENDS OF BATTLE RIVER

#53\22 D DIBBEN - That, the Board of Trustees accepts the recommendation from the Community Engagement Committee and award the 2022 Friends of Battle River nominations as follows:

Division-wide:

Knowledge Keeper Brad Rabbit: who has been visiting schools across the Division to share Indigenous history and culture specific to this area, as well as give BRSD students the opportunity to see / touch / experience First Nations artifacts.

Beaver County: ***Kay Procter,*** for her dedication as a volunteer who personally makes about 12 loaves of sandwiches each week for distribution through the lunch programs at CW Sears, Tofield, and Northstar Outreach Schools.

Camrose County: the *Bashaw Community Resource Centre*, for providing a part-time Wellness Worker to the school, contributing to the cost of providing tutors for students, covering the cost of Psycho-Ed assessments for four students, and helping with the purchase of livestream equipment.

Flagstaff County: *Lynne Jenkinson*, Director of Flagstaff Family Community Services, for her commitment to incorporating schools into community education opportunities.

City of Camrose: *ECKS & ECCHHS Music Parents Associations*, who help their respective Music programs to thrive by raising funds to supplement school Music budgets, providing organizational support for concerts, band camps, festivals etc., and contributing tens of thousands of dollars toward the purchase of instruments and to offset student fees.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

All items of business being completed and there being no dissent, Chair Belich adjourned the meeting at 2:43 p.m.

KAREN BELICH, CHAIR

IMOGENE WALSH, SECRETARY-TREASURER

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