

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE BATTLE RIVER SCHOOL DIVISION, HELD ON MAY 23, 2024, COMMENCING AT 9:01 A.M.

PRESENT

LYLE ALBRECHT
DOUG ALGAR
KAREN BELICH
DWIGHT DIBBEN
PATRICK MCFEELY

ABSENT

ALSO PRESENT

RHAE-ANN HOLOIEN, Superintendent of Schools
IMOGENE WALSH, Secretary-Treasurer
STEPHEN HOYLAND, Assistant Superintendent - Education Services
NATASHA WILM - Assistant Superintendent - Human Resources
MICHELLE GIRVAN, Executive Assistant - Superintendent

CHAIR MCFEELY IN THE CHAIR

CALL TO ORDER

Chair McFeely called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

#66\24 K BELICH - That the Board of Trustees approves the Agenda.

CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

#67\24 K BELICH - That the Board of Trustees approves the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of April 25, 2024.

CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

#68\24 L ALBRECHT - That the Board of Trustees approves the Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees of May 9, 2024.

CARRIED

POINT OF ORDER

At the April Board meeting, Trustee Dibben raised a Point of Order regarding motions #33/24, #34/24, and #35/24 made at the March 28, 2024 Regular Board Meeting. The Board Chair advised that the Point of Order needed to be made at the time of the motions in March according to Robert’s Rules of Order.

Principal Melanie Buckley, Educational Assistant Shannon Olson, students Shae-Lynn Larson, Hayden Jackson, Emily Holowachuk, Jaycie Elliot, Nelida Ragan, and Communications Officer Anna Radchenko, joined the meeting at 9:34 a.m.

STUDENT SUCCESS

Chair McFeely welcomed the staff and students of Battle River Alternative Centre for Education (BRACE). Each student presented directly to the Board of Trustees, their personal experiences and successes with the program.

Cheryl Kropinske, Director of Finance, joined the meeting at 10:00 a.m.

Melanie Buckley, Shannon Olson, She-Lynn Larson, Hayden Jackson, Emily Holowachuk, Jaycie Elliot, Nelida Ragan and Anna Radchenko left the meeting at 10:01 a.m.

FISCAL MONITORING REPORT

Chair McFeely invited Ms Kropinske’s review of the Interim Financial Statements for the period ending April 30, 2024.

Ms. Kropinske left the meeting at 10:08 a.m.

MEETING RECESS

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees recessed at 10:08 a.m. and reconvened at 10:19 A.m.

NOTICE OF MOTION

#69\24 L ALBRECHT - That the Board of Trustees approves the Viking attendance area be extended from the centre of section 12-48-15-W4 westward to the centre of section 8-48-15-W4, then southward to the south centre of section 5-47-15-W4th.

DEFEATED

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

#70\24 D ALGAR - That the Board of Trustees requests that Administration bring forward more information regarding existing transported families in the area of the defeated motion.

CARRIED

2024-2025 BUDGET

#71\24 D ALGAR - That the Board of Trustees approves the 2024-2025 budget as presented.

Trustee Dibben requested a recorded vote.

In Favour of the Motion

Opposed to the Motion

Lyle Albrecht
Doug Algar
Karen Belich
Patrick McFeely

Dwight Dibben

CARRIED

TRANSPORTATION GRANDFATHERING

#72\24 D ALGAR - That the Board of Trustees approves transportation grandfathering for the current families that reside in the areas that were impacted by boundary changes that were passed at the March, 2024 Board Meeting.

CARRIED

IN-ELIGIBLE TRANSPORTATION FEES

#73\24 D DIBBEN - That the Board of Trustees approves the fee for ineligible transportation services for the 2024-2025 school year at \$400.00 per student in grades 1 - 12 and \$200.00 per child in kindergarten, to a maximum charge of \$900.00 per family.

CARRIED

EDUCATION ASSURANCE PLAN

#74\24 K BELICH - That the Board of Trustees approves the Three-Year Education Plan for 2024-2027.

CARRIED

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING DATE CHANGE

#75\24 P MCFEELY - That the Board of Trustees approves the Organizational Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, June 19, 2024 to be moved to Wednesday, June 26, 2024.

CARRIED

IN-CAMERA SESSION (11:25 A.M.)

#76\24 L ALBRECHT - That the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees recess to permit Trustees to meet in-camera, and that all persons, except Trustees, and Superintendent Holoien be excluded.

Ms Walsh, Mr Hoyland, Ms Wilm and Ms Girvan left the meeting at 11:25 a.m.

OUT OF IN-CAMERA SESSION (12:45 P.M.)

#77\24 D DIBBEN - The in-camera session concluded and the regular meeting reconvened.

CARRIED

Mr Hoyland, Ms Wilm and Ms Girvan joined the meeting at 12:45 p.m.

MEETING RECESS

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees recessed at 12:45 p.m. and reconvened at 1:03 p.m.

SUPERINTENDENT’S EVALUATION 2024

#78\24 D DIBBEN - That the Board approves the Board Chair, on behalf of the Board of Trustees, to sign the evaluation letter for the superintendent as an accurate accounting of the Superintendent’s performance from the period of August 2023 to May 2024.

CARRIED

IN-CAMERA SESSION (1:24 P.M.)

#79\24 D DIBBEN - That the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees recess to permit Trustees to meet in-camera, and that all persons, except Trustees, Superintendent Holoien, and Secretary-Treasurer Walsh be excluded.

Mr Hoyland, Ms Wilm and Ms Girvan left the meeting at 1:24 p.m.

OUT OF IN-CAMERA SESSION (1:40 P.M.)

#80\24 D ALGAR - The in-camera session concluded and the regular meeting reconvened.

CARRIED

Mr Hoyland, Ms Wilm and Ms Girvan joined the meeting at 1:42 p.m.

BOARD ANNUAL WORK PLAN

#81\24 K BELICH - That the Board approves the amendments to the Board Annual Work Plan - Policy 3 - Schedule A as discussed.

CARRIED

IN-CAMERA SESSION (1:55 P.M.)

#82\24 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 be excluded.

Ms Holoien, Ms Walsh, Mr Hoyland, Ms Wilm and Ms Girvan left the meeting at 1:24 p.m.

OUT OF IN-CAMERA SESSION (2:33 P.M.)

#83\24 D DIBBEN - The in-camera session concluded and the regular meeting reconvened.

CARRIED

Ms. Holoien, Ms Walsh, Mr Hoyland, Ms Wilm and Ms Girvan joined the meeting at 2:33 p.m.

BOARD EVALUATION

#84\24 K BELICH - That the Board accepts the self-evaluation as discussed.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

All items of business being completed and there being no dissent, Chair McFeely adjourned the meeting at 2:35 p.m.

PATRICK MCFEELY, CHAIR

IMOGENE WALSH, SECRETARY-TREASURER

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