

MINUTES OF A MEETING:

of the Board of Education of the Saskatchewan School Division No. 13 of Saskatchewan, held on Tuesday, January 11, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.

January 11, 2022

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Trustees Colleen MacPherson (Chair), Angela Arneson, Donna Banks, Charmaine Bellamy, Kathleen Brannen, Vernon Linklater, Michael Pidwerbeski, Kim Stranden, Ross Tait, Suzanne Zwarych

Chair MacPherson, called the meeting to order, read the roll call into the minutes, and acknowledged the meeting was being held on Treaty Six territory and traditional territory of the Cree, Dene, Nakoda, Lakota, Dakota and Saulteaux nations, and the homeland of the Métis and Michif people.

Agenda: Trustee Stranden moved approval of the agenda.

Agenda

CARRIED (10)

There were no conflicts of interest declared by any Board members.

Celebrating Excellence – Award of Excellence:

Mitch Kachur, Superintendent of Education, and on behalf of the Award of Excellence Selection Committee, announced the recipient of the Saskatoon Board of Education's Award of Excellence. Jessica McBride, a graduate of Centennial Collegiate, was recognized for her excellence in academics, character, engagement and well-being and was awarded \$5,000. Shane Skjerven, Director of Education, Colleen MacPherson, Board Chair, and Wendy Benson, Principal of Centennial Collegiate, all spoke to Jessica's character and achievements.

Celebrating Excellence-Award of Excellence

Celebrating Excellence – 2020-2021 Proficiency Award Winners:

Deputy Director Hills highlighted the Proficiency Award winners at Saskatoon Public Schools for 2020-2021. Each year, proficiency awards are presented to students with the highest average in grades 9, 10, 11, and 12.

Celebrating Excellence – 2020-2021 Proficiency Award Winners

Consent Items: Board Chair MacPherson requested agenda item #5.2

Financial Results for the Period September 1, 2020 to November 30, 2021 be removed from the consent item listings. Trustee Linklater moved that the following consent agenda items be approved as amended.

Consent Items

CARRIED (10)

Approval of Minutes - December 7, 2021: Trustee Linklater moved that the

Board approve the minutes of the Committee of the Whole and Regular Board held December 7, 2021.

Approval of Minutes

CARRIED (10)

Correspondence: Trustee Linklater moved that the Board receive

the correspondence as listed:

- a) Correspondence from Honourable Randy Weekes, Speaker, Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan regarding Saskatchewan Teachers' Institute on Parliamentary Democracy (SSTI).

Correspondence

CARRIED (10)

Financial Results for the Period September 1, 2021 to November 30, 2021:

Chair MacPherson moved that the Board receive the financial results for the period September 1, 2021 to November 30, 2021 for information.

Financial Results for the Period September 1, 2021 to November 30, 2021

CARRIED (10)

Reports from Administrative Staff:

Strategic Plan Accountability Report: Early Learning:
Trish Reeve, Superintendent of Education, and Michelle Howard, Coordinator: Learning Supports, presented the Strategic Plan Accountability Report: Early Learning.

Strategic
Plan
Accountability
Report:
Early Learning

Trustee Brannen moved that the Board approve the Strategic Plan Accountability Report: Early Learning, to be included as part of the director of education's 2021-2022 evaluation.

CARRIED (10)

Strategic Plan Accountability Report: Facilities:
Stan Laba, Superintendent of Facilities presented the Strategic Plan Accountability Report: Facilities.

Strategic Plan
Accountability
Report: Facilities

Trustee Pidwerbeski moved that the Board approve the Strategic Plan Accountability Report: Facilities, to be included as part of the director of education's 2021-2022 evaluation.

CARRIED (10)

COVID-19 Update: Deputy Director Scrimshaw provided an update on the COVID-19 pandemic.

COVID-19
Update

Trustee Arneson moved that the Board receive the COVID-19 update for information.

CARRIED (10)

Unfinished Business:

Saskatoon Public Schools Foundation – Articles of Incorporation Amendment: Trustee Tait moved that the Board approve the amendment to the Articles of Incorporation for the Saskatoon Public Schools Foundation Corp.

Saskatoon Public
Schools Foundation
Articles of
Incorporation

CARRIED (10)

Employee Benefits – Request For Proposal (RFP) T2122-0004:
Trustee Zwarych moved that the Board award the contract for non-teaching employees' benefit services to Co-operators Life Insurance Company for a term of five years, with an option to extend for an additional two years, effective April 1, 2022.

Employee Benefits
Request for
Proposal (RFP)
T2022-0004

CARRIED (10)

Saskatchewan School Boards Association Annual Membership Fees:
Trustee Bellamy moved that the Board authorize payment of 2022 Saskatchewan School Boards Association membership fees of \$158,977.59.

Saskatchewan
School Boards
Association
Annual Membership
Fees

CARRIED (10)

Reports of Committees and Trustees:

- Trustee Zwarych reported on her completion, along with Trustees Pidwerbeski and Tait, of the Johnson Shoyama Board Governance Program. She also attended virtual school community council meetings at Ward 8 schools and expressed her appreciation to view Ward 8 school holiday concerts virtually this year.
- Trustee Banks reported on her attendance at the Tommy Douglas Collegiate school community council meeting, and her appointment to the University of Saskatchewan Senate, representing the Saskatchewan School Boards Association. She also reported on her participation in weekly meetings with members of the education sector.

Reports of
Committees and
Trustees

- Chair MacPherson reported on her visit to Sylvia Fedoruk School with Mayor Clark to recognize the staff and students for their actions during the incident with a moose entering the school. She also participated in meetings of the Board Chairs council, thanked all the staff of Saskatoon Public Schools for their dedication to students during the pandemic, and reminded board members of the virtual School Community Council meeting on January 26.

New Business

There was no new business to report.

Comments/Concerns/Questions from the Public:

Jennifer Wood commented on agenda item #6.3 – COVID-19 Update.

Michael Moore commented on the agenda item #6.3 - COVID-19 Update.

Notice of Motion:

No Notices of Motion were brought forward.

Questions by Trustees:

No Questions by Trustees were brought forward.

Adjournment:

Trustee Banks moved that the Board adjourn to the call of the Chair or the Committee of the Whole meeting of Tuesday, February 9, 2022.

CARRIED (10)

The meeting adjourned at 8:09 p.m.



Secretary of the School Division



Board Chair