

UNAPPROVED

MINUTES OF A MEETING:

of the Board of Education of the Saskatchewan School Division No. 13 of Saskatchewan, held on Tuesday, February 9, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.

February 9, 2021

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ms. Colleen MacPherson (Board Chair), Ms. Angela Arneson, Ms. Donna Banks, Ms. Kathleen Brannen, Mr. Vernon Linklater, Mr. Michael Pidwerbeski, Ms. Kim Stranden, Mr. Ross Tait, Dr. Suzanne Zwarych

Ms. Colleen MacPherson, Board Chair, 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 homeland of the Métis people.

Agenda: Mr. Tait moved approval of the agenda.

Agenda

CARRIED (9)

Celebrating Excellence – Online Kindergarten Class Success:

Ms. Charlene Scrimshaw, Deputy Director of Education, introduced Mrs. Colleen Norris, Superintendent of Education. Mrs. Norris described how to achieve kindergarten curricular outcomes in an online environment. Miss Samantha Zimmer, an English online teacher and Ms. Jennifer Wallace, a French Immersion online teacher, provided examples on how they converted their lively play-based classrooms to engaging online environments.

Celebrating Excellence - Online Kindergarten Class Success

Consent Items: Ms. Brannen moved that the following consent agenda items be approved as presented.

Consent Items

CARRIED (9)

Approval of Minutes – January 12, 2021: Ms. Brannen moved that the Board approve the minutes of the Committee of the Whole and Regular Board meetings held January 12, 2021.

Approval of Minutes

CARRIED (9)

Financial Results for the Period September 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020: Ms. Brannen moved that the Board receive the financial results for the period September 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020 for information.

Financial Results for the Period September 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020

CARRIED (9)

Reports From Administrative Staff:

Strategic Plan Update: Prekindergarten Programming:
Ms. Charlene Scrimshaw, Deputy Director of Education, introduced Ms. Trish Reeve, Superintendent of Education , and Ms. Michelle Howard, Coordinator: Early Learning. The group updated the Board on prekindergarten programs in Saskatoon Public Schools demonstrating how the enhanced learning experiences have affected language, social, and intellectual development.

Strategic Plan
Prekindergarten
Programming

Dr. Zwarych moved that the Board receive the Strategic Plan Update:
Prekindergarten Programming.

CARRIED (9)

COVID-19 Update: Mr. Shane Skjerven, Director of Education, introduced Mr. Brent Hills, Deputy Director of Education, who provided an update on the COVID-19 pandemic.

COVID-19
Update

Ms. Stranden moved that the Board receive the COVID-19 update.

CARRIED (9)

Unfinished Business:

Saskatoon Public Schools Foundation – Audited Financial Statements September 1, 2019 to August 31, 2020: Ms. Arneson moved that the Board approve the Audited Financial Statements and audit report for the year ended August 31, 2020 for the Saskatoon Public Schools Foundation Corp., pending minor formatting changes.

Saskatoon
Public Schools
Foundation-
Audited Financial
Statements
September 1, 2019
to August 31, 2020

CARRIED (9)

2021 – 2022 School Calendar: Mr. Pidwerbeski moved that the Board adopt the proposed 2021-2022 school year calendar.

2021-2022
School Calendar

CARRIED (9)

Board of Review: Ms. MacPherson moved that the Board approve the recommendation of the Board of Review with respect to the request from employee #25450.

Board of
Review

CARRIED (9)

Saskatchewan School Boards Association Membership Fees:
Mr. Linklater moved that the Board authorize payment of 2021 Saskatchewan School Boards Association membership fees of \$148,438.49 plus GST.

Saskatchewan
School Boards
Association
Membership
Fees

CARRIED (9)

Special Meeting of the Board: Ms. Banks moved that the Board approve the special Board meeting of February 16, 2021.

Special
Meeting of the
Board

CARRIED (9)

Correspondence

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Ms. Stranden moved that the Board receive the correspondence as listed:

- a) Correspondence from Brad Redekopp, Member of Parliament for Saskatoon West, acknowledging receipt of Saskatoon Public Schools' 2019-2020 Report to the Community.

CARRIED (9)

Reports of Committees and Trustees:

- Trustee Banks reported on her participation with the virtual School Community Council meeting at Fairhaven School. She also attended several meetings and professional development opportunities hosted by the Saskatchewan School Boards Association, participated in the school calendar committee, and the elementary vice principal selection committee. Ms. Banks also acknowledged staff appreciation week and thanked all staff members of Saskatoon Public Schools for their dedication to students.
- Chair MacPherson reported on her participation with several Saskatchewan School Boards Association events, highlighted some discussion of her weekly teleconference with Board Chairs in Saskatchewan, and indicated her upcoming attendance at a virtual school assembly at Lawson Heights School.

New Business

Saskatoon Public Schools Foundation 2019-2020 Annual Report:
Ms. Zeba Ahmad, Executive Director of the Saskatoon Public Schools Foundation, highlighted their 2019-2020 Annual Report.

Saskatoon
Public Schools
Foundation
2019-2020
Annual Report

Mr. Tait moved that the Board receive the 2019-2020 Annual Report for the Saskatoon Public Schools Foundation Corp.

CARRIED (9)

Supply of Three New Relocatable Classrooms: Ms. Brannen moved that the Board confirm contract awards as follows:

Supply of
Three New
Relocatable
Classrooms

- 1) For the supply of two relocatable classrooms in the amount of \$351,036 plus applicable taxes to 3Twenty Modular for Willowgrove Schools.
- 2) For the supply of one new relocatable classroom in the amount of \$186,734 plus applicable taxes to 3Twenty Modular for École Alvin Buckwold School.

CARRIED (9)

Comments/Concerns/Questions From the Public:

There were no comments or questions from the Public.

Questions by Trustees:

There were no questions by Trustees.

Dr. Zwarych moved that the Board adjourn to the call of the Chair or the Committee of the Whole meeting of Tuesday, March 16, 2021.

CARRIED (9)

The meeting adjourned at 6:03 p.m.

Secretary of the School Division

Board Chair