

MINUTES – PRAIRIE ROSE SCHOOL DIVISION

October 1, 2012

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Prairie Rose School Division was held at the Division Office in Carman on Monday, October 1, 2012. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Ward I Trustee Donna Cox
 Ward III Trustee Jim Hay
 Ward IV Trustee Elaine L. Owen
 Ward V Trustee Jack Foote
 Ward VI Trustee Rik Skelton
 Ward VII Trustee Claude Lachance

Administration Bruce Wood, Superintendent
 Agnes Gaultier, Secretary-Treasurer
 Ron Sugden, Assistant Superintendent

Regrets: Ward II Trustee Karen Tjaden
 Ward III Trustee Colleen Claggett Woods
 Ward VIII Trustee Frank Bruce

- 189/12 Foote/Skelton: **THAT** the minutes of the September 17th, 2012 regular meeting be approved as circulated. -CARRIED-
- 190/12 Cox/Foote: **THAT**, with the addition of items 6.3 – Secretary-Treasurer’s Report, and 9.2 – Request for religious exercises at Roland School, the agenda be approved for this meeting. -CARRIED-
- 191/12 Skelton/Hay: **THAT** the Board do now resolve itself into a closed session, Committee of the Whole Board, for discussion of matters covered under Policy BD. -CARRIED-

The following matters were discussed:

- Admin action report;
- Superintendent’s Report;
- Student Suspension Report;
- Operations Report;
- 2011-2012 fiscal year-end report;
- Secretary-Treasurer’s Report;
- Superintendent’s Staffing Report;
- September 25 Personnel Committee meeting report – received as information;
- Colony group discussion update.

- 192/12 Foote/Cox: **THAT** the Committee of the Whole rise and report. -CARRIED-

Superintendent’s Report

James Valley Colony: Construction on the new school building is progressing well.

Student volunteerism: A Carman Collegiate student was recognized in the Winnipeg Free Press for taking her activism to both global and local causes.

Local art educators: Jane McDonald and Chris Larsen have been given the honour of receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal for significant contribution to the arts. They run our CTS Art Mentorship program in Carman, Elm Creek and Miami.

Report card implementation: Training continues for our four schools that are involved in the implementation of the new provincial report card.

September enrolment report: Our overall enrolment is up slightly from last year.

Operations

Operations: A report on the progress of the St. Laurent School renovations project was presented.

Finance

193/12 Hay/Skelton: **THAT** the August accounts showing total general expenditures of \$1,082,417.74 be approved as presented. -CARRIED-

Personnel

194/12 Skelton/Cox: **THAT** the Superintendent Staffing Report be approved as presented. -CARRIED-

Board Policy

Report of September 25 Committee meeting report: Several policies are currently under review or development. Policy IQ – Financial Support-Provincial Competitions is ready for consideration by the Board.

NOTICE OF MOTION by Trustee Foote to present Policy IQ – Financial Support-Provincial Competitions for approval at the next meeting.

Public Relations/Educational Programming

195/12 Hay/Foote: **THAT** based on a petition signed by the parents or guardians of at least 60 of the pupils in Carman Elementary School, we approve the saying of the Lord’s Prayer on a daily basis for the remainder of the 2012-2013 school year. -CARRIED-

196/12 Foote/Skelton: **THAT** based on a petition signed by the parents or guardians of at least 75% of the pupils in Roland School, we approve the saying of the Lord’s Prayer on a daily basis along with a Bible reading once a week at the School for the balance of the 2012-2013 school year. -CARRIED-

General

197/12 Foote/Skelton: **THAT** we approve the community schools’ participation in the long version of the Youth Health Survey administered through Manitoba’s Regional Health Authorities. -CARRIED-
Against: Trustee Lachance

St. François Xavier Community Day Care update: The Division continues to work with the Day Care Board to determine the best location for a new building.

Community Use of Schools: Our policy is under review by the Board Policy Committee to ensure we meet the Department’s guidelines.

Liaison Committee meeting with PRTA: Trustees Owen, Foote, Cox, and Woods will continue as members of this Committee. A meeting will be organized with PRTA.

CORRESPONDENCE

Department of Education re: Youth Health Survey. Received as information.

MEETING REMINDERS

Next Regular Board meeting	Oct 22	7:00 p.m.
Board Policy Committee meeting	Oct 29	12:00 p.m.
Operations/Finance Committee meeting	Oct 29	6:00 p.m.
Regular Board Meeting (at St. Laurent School)	Nov 5	7:00 p.m.
Tour of St. Laurent School	Nov 5	6:00 p.m.
Regular Board meeting	Nov 19	7:00 p.m.

The meeting was declared adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Elaine L. Owen, Board Chair

Agnes Gaultier, Secretary-Treasurer