

MINUTES – PRAIRIE ROSE SCHOOL DIVISION

June 3, 2013

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Prairie Rose School Division was held at the Board Office in Carman on Monday, June 3, 2013. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Ward I Trustee Donna Cox
 Ward II Trustee Karen Tjaden
 Ward III Trustee Colleen Claggett Woods
 Ward III Trustee Jim Hay
 Ward IV Trustee Elaine L. Owen
 Ward V Trustee Jack Foote
 Ward VI Trustee Rik Skelton
 Ward VIII Trustee Frank Bruce

Administration Bruce Wood, Superintendent
 Agnes Gaultier, Secretary-Treasurer
 Ron Sugden, Assistant Superintendent
 Wilma Ritzer, Administrator, Student Services

Regrets: Ward VII Trustee Claude Lachance

107/13 Foote/Hay: **THAT** the minutes of the May 21, 2013 regular meeting be approved as circulated.

-CARRIED-

108/13 Tjaden/Hay: **THAT**, with the addition of item 10.2 – Safe and Caring Schools Workshop report by Trustee Foote, the agenda be approved for this meeting.

-CARRIED-

109/13 Bruce/Foote: **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 then discussed:

- admin action report;
- Superintendent's Report;
- Student Suspension Report;
- Superintendent's Staffing Report;
- MSBA collective bargaining update.

110/13 Woods/Cox: **THAT** the Committee of the Whole rise and report.

-CARRIED-

Strong Beginnings assessment program request: Deb Russell, Principal of Carman Elementary School, was in attendance in support of the school's request to implement this assessment practice on a pilot basis for 2013-2014. The matter will be considered later during the meeting.

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent's Report: Manitoba Teachers' Society *Young Humanitarian Award* was presented to Carman Elementary student J Johnston for his project of collection of blankets to donate to homeless people. An article co-authored by Assistant Superintendent Ron Sugden was published in the Canadian Journal of Educational Administration and Policy. A comprehensive report on the *Safe and Caring Schools Conference* was also presented. The Board will follow up and pursue the questions presented for follow-up to the concept of safe and caring schools.

Minister of Education re: Cyberbullying policies: The letter from the Minister of Education regarding policies on safe and caring schools was presented. Our policies are to be reviewed in light of Bill 18 which is expected to become law in the near future.

CTS Regional Position Paper: This document on a provincial approach to CTS was received as information.

Rural School Conference Report: This report on the Conference in Saskatoon, at which our Regional CTS Coordinator Brenda Mutchter along with T. Moran, Evergreen School, and Len Metro, Lakeshore School Division, presented on the Manitoba model of CTS courses and program was received as information.

- 111/13 Woods/Hay: **THAT** the request from Carman Elementary School to implement the *Strong Beginnings* assessment program for Grades K-6 on a pilot basis for the 2013-2014 school year be approved. -CARRIED-

Finance

- 112/13 Hay/Foote: **THAT** the April accounts showing total general expenditures in the amount of \$2,074,352.90 be approved as presented. -CARRIED-

Personnel

- 113/13 Bruce/Skelton: **THAT** the Superintendent Staffing Report be approved as presented. -CARRIED-

Board Policy

- 114/13 Tjaden/Foote: **THAT** Policy GBQ – Technology Acceptable Use for Employees, be approved as recommended by the Board Policy Committee. -CARRIED-

General

Employee Recognition lunch: Trustees will attend at their local schools to present employee years of service awards as well as recognition of retirees at this annual event.

Safe and Caring Schools Conference Report: Trustee Foote presented detailed information on this conference he had attended on behalf of the Board.

CORRESPONDENCE

Garden Valley School Division to MSBA Regional Director. Received as information.
Active and Healthy Kids Canada Report Card 2012. Received as information.

MEETING REMINDERS

Next Regular Board meeting	June 17	7:00 p.m.
Board Policy committee meeting	June 6	5:30 p.m.
Regular Board meeting	July 8	7:00 p.m.

The meeting was declared adjourned at 8:50 p.m.