



**PRAIRIE ROSE SCHOOL DIVISION**

**Board Meeting Minutes**

**April 8, 2019**

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Prairie Rose School Division was held at the Board Office in Carman on Monday, April 8, 2019. The meeting was called to order by Chair Cox at 7:03 p.m.

Present:	Ward I	Trustee Donna Cox
	Ward II	Trustee Natalie Bargaen
	Ward III	Trustee Marilyn North
	Ward III	Trustee Theresa Cronin (video conference called into meeting)
	Ward V	Trustee Jack Foote
	Ward VI	Trustee David Cloutier
	Ward VII	Trustee Ashley Lachance
	Ward VIII	Trustee Evi Bruce

Administration:	Terry Osiowy, Superintendent/CEO
	Gerard Lesage, Secretary-Treasurer/CFO
	Ron Sugden, Assistant Superintendent
	Rhonda Smith, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer
	Louise Duncan, Director of Student Services
	Arli Cruikshank, Executive Assistant

Regrets:	Trustee Elaine L. Owen, Ward IV
	Joanne Johnston, Human Resources Manager

The Board chair acknowledged that Prairie Rose School Division operates on the traditional lands of the Anishinaabe and on the homeland of the Metis nation. Prairie Rose School Division respects the Treaties that were made on this territory.

050/19 Lachance/Foote: **THAT** the leave of absence for Trustee Elaine L. Owen for the April 8, 2019, regular meeting be approved in accordance to Public Schools Act section 39.8. -CARRIED-

051/19 Bargaen/Lachance: **THAT**, with the addition of 3.01.19: M.E.T. Letter – Reduced PST effect on education system, the agenda for this meeting be approved as circulated. -CARRIED-

052/19 Foote/Bruce: **THAT** the minutes of the March 18, 2019 regular meeting be approved. -CARRIED-

**Presentations**

**Elm Creek School**

Principal, Bill Yaworsky, Guidance Counsellor, Mark Findlay, Teacher Ashley Cook, Teacher Nicole Spencer, Teacher Lisa Carlson, Teacher Leanne Bartley, student council president and grade 12 student Grayson Salazar, and Social Justice Committee/UNESCO member and grade 7 student Olivia Hudson presented on Elm Creek School’s 2018-2019 school development plan. The presentation highlighted programming, achievements, and next steps in the four priority areas of Literacy, Numeracy, Human Rights, Social Justice, and Education and Sustainable Development, and Balanced Lifestyle and Equity for All Learners. The Elm Creek Parent Advisory Council was highlighted for their contribution to the school and school programming.

**Reports of Committees**

Trustee Bruce provided highlights of the March 18, 2019, Operations/Indemnity Committee meeting.

053/19 Bruce/Foote: **THAT** the minutes of the March 18, 2019, Operations/Indemnity Committee meeting be approved as presented. -CARRIED-

**Administration**

The Personnel/Staffing report was attached. The Student Code of Conduct/Suspension Report was attached. The Superintendent/CEO school visitations, divisional and provincial meetings, conferences and workshops since the last report were listed. Administrative procedures #331 – Code of Conduct for Employees, and #332 – Staff Use of Social Media were presented. The Superintendent/CEO provided correspondence from Manitoba Education and Training regarding the Mantioba Education Commission – K-12 Education review. The Superintendent/CEO presented correspondence from Manitoba Education and Training regarding the province’s aspirational targets for literacy and numeracy. An off-site activity request for St. Paul’s Collegiate students to attend the Envirothon Team Excursion Field Trip to the IISD Experimental Lakes Area in the Kenora District, Ontario was presented for approval. March 2019 student enrolment showing total enrolment of 2339 students was attached. The Secretary-Treasurer/CFO presented the bus purchasing recommendation for approval.

054/19 Bruce/Bargen: **THAT** the Superintendent’s Staffing Report be received as presented. -CARRIED-

055/19 Lachance/North: **THAT** the request from St. Paul’s Collegiate involving nine (9) students, four (4) male and five (5) female, in grades 9, 11, and 12, to participate in the Envirothon Team Excursion field trip in the IISD Experimental Lakes Area in the Kenora District, Ontario, from May 24, 2019, till May 26, 2019, be approved and carried out in accordance to PRSD Governance Decision Making Matrix and Administrative Procedure 207 – Off-Site Activities and Trips. -CARRIED-

056/19 Foote/Bruce: **THAT** approval to purchase two (2) 2019 propane school buses - 77 passenger from Blue Bird Fairway Specialty Vehicles for a total cost of \$289,548.94 including taxes under the 2019 Central School Bus Tender be authorized. -CARRIED-

057/19 Bargen/Lachance: **THAT** the Report from Senior Administration be received as presented. -CARRIED-

**Business Arising (from Previous Delegations/Board Meetings)**

058/19 Lachance/Bargen: **THAT** the Board Priorities for 2019-2022 be as follows; Positive & Safe School Cultures, Student Learning - Achievement and Engagement, and School Leadership. -CARRIED-

**Communication for Information**

- M.S.B.A. 55th Annual Convention Record of Proceedings – Received as information
- M.S.B.A. Convention - Trustee Code of Conduct: Lessons Learned – Received as information
- M.S.B.A. Convention - Fillmore Riley: Harassment Complaints – Received as information
- M.S.B.A. Convention - Manitoba Ombudsman: The Public Interest Disclosure (Whistleblower Protection) Act – Received as information
- Swan Valley School Division: Local Voice Matters Brochure – Received as information
- Swan Valley School Division: Information for Municipalities – Received as information
- M.S.B.A. Federal Budget Plan 2019 Excerpts – Received as information
- M.S.B.A. Local Voices Local Choices Brochure – Customized – Received as information
- M.S.B.A. Convention Evaluation Survey and Trustee Profile Survey – Received as information

M.S.B.A. “This is a Local Choice” Campaign – Received as information  
M.S.B.A. Request from K-12 Review Commission for Representation on Student Panel – Received as information  
M.S.B.A. Request for 2018 School Board Election Data – Received as information  
Garden Valley School Division Budget Consultation – Received as information  
Mark Dickof Memorial Scholarship Award – Received as information  
Killarney Parent Advisory Council: Letter to Commission on K-12 Education Review – Received as information  
Brandon Sun: Amalgamation Talk Raises Concern – Received as information  
Brandon Sun: Municipality Speaks Out Against School Division Mergers – Received as information  
Webinar: Nurturing Governance Capacity – Received as information  
M.E.T. Letter - Reduced PST effect on education system – Received as information

A 5-minute recess was called at 8:16 p.m.

059/19 Foote/Lachance: **THAT** the Board do now resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole In-Camera.

-CARRIED-

The following matters were discussed:

- Board Matter – 1 item
- Personnel Matter – 4 items
- Finance Matter – 1 item
- Questions Arising from Senior Administration Reports – nil

060/19 Foote/Bruce: **THAT** the Committee of the Whole In-Camera do now resolve into Board.

-CARRIED-

061/19 Bruce/Bargen: **THAT** the hiring of Crystal Millar-Courchene as the Vice Principal of St. Laurent School, effective September 3, 2019, be approved as recommended by the hiring committee

-CARRIED-

The meeting was adjourned at 10:11 p.m.

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Donna Cox, Board Chair

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Gerard Lesage, Secretary-Treasurer/CFO