

Beautiful Plains School Division
Regular Board Meeting
August 9, 2011

Present: Chairperson G. Hunter and Trustees K. Guillas, J. McNeily, R. Manns, B. Snezyk and R. Kulbacki

Also Present: J. Young and G. Olmstead

Regrets: Vice-Chairperson D. Rea

In Camera

- a) Superintendent's Confidential Report
 - Staffing Update
 - Middle Years Assessment results
- b) Secretary-Treasurer Evaluation
- c) Staff Absence Reports for 2010/11

The Business Meeting was called to order at 7:45 p.m.

1. The agenda was approved as circulated.
2. The minutes of the June 21, 2011 Regular Board Meeting were approved as circulated.
3. The Accounts and Payroll Direct Deposits for June 2011 were approved.
4. Business Arising from the Previous Meeting
 - a) Policy I.H.C. – Special Language Credit Option was approved.
5. Superintendent's Business Report
 - a) Staffing
 - Brent Boyle employed as teacher on a limited term contract effective September 6, 2011 to return of the regular school teacher and assigned to Carberry Collegiate.
 - Carmen McNabb employed as teacher on a limited term contract effective September 6, 2011 to June 29, 2012 and assigned to Carberry Collegiate.
 - b) Substitute teacher contracts for 2011-12 were noted.
 - c) A late choice of school application from Grady and Esther Dick, Turtle River S. D. resident, for their daughter, Felicia Venne to attend NACI was approved.
6. Secretary-Treasurer's Business Report
 - a) Spare Bus Drivers for the 2011/12 school year were approved.
 - b) A request for an alternate pickup/drop off location for the Mitchler family was approved.
 - c) Financial Update for 2010/11

Preliminary numbers indicate a current year surplus of approximately \$150,000. This money will be used to reduce the loan to finance the internet connectivity project. (see next item)
 - d) The Board decided to make the first progress payment on the high speed connectivity project with 2010/11 funds. The first payment was \$188,629.50.

- e) The Board is requesting the PSFB to allow the NACI Science Reserve Fund to be used for NACI Guidance/Counseling renovations.
- f) Diesel Fuel Tenders for the 2011/12 were awarded as follows:
 - Carberry Based Buses: Redfern Farm Services (Imperial Oil)
 - Neepawa, Eden & Brookdale Buses: Mar-Dee Enterprises (Petro-Can)
- g) Bus Transportation – Keyes Area

A BPSD bus will be travelling to the Keyes area again this fall with families in the area sharing the cost.

7. Other Reports

- a) Divisional Planning

Principal feedback to aid in the development of the BPSD division plan was considered by the Board.

- b) Provincial funding for the Neepawa Area Collegiate Science Room renovation and new science equipment has been approved.
- c) The Five Year Capital Plan Submission to PSFB was reviewed. The request for two portable units for HMK was discussed. The small playground and a growing student population at HMK is a concern. It was noted that Brookdale and Eden schools have excess space.
- d) MSBA Strategic Priorities were reviewed.
- e) The Literacy E News bulletin was circulated.

8. Superintendent's Information and Correspondence

The following was noted:

- a) Thank you cards were received from Rod McEwen, Bev McDonald, Murray Hart and Alysa McIntosh.
- b) Pisa Results – P.D. opportunity
- c) Defibrillators should be installed in all community schools soon.
- d) Internet Connectivity Update - Towers in Neepawa and Brookdale are being planned.

9. Secretary-Treasurer's Information and Correspondence

The following was noted:

- a) The Division has received design approval for the NACI Junior High Mechanical System replacement. The Division will investigate coordinating this with next year's grade beam and wall replacement project.
- b) Western Financial Group 2011/12 Property & Liability insurance costs
- c) NACI grade beam repair is on schedule.
- d) Brandon School Division - thank you for use of buses
- e) Mountain View School Division – thank you for use of bus and repair

10. Open Forum

- a) Pictures of the new Acadia Colony School and ITV towers were viewed.

Resolutions:

1. That the agenda be approved as circulated. *Carried*
2. That the minutes of the June 21, 2011 Regular Board Meeting be approved as circulated. *Carried*
3. That the June 2011 expenditures be approved for a total of \$1,033,648.97
Accounts Payable Cheques #12547 - #12823 \$907,472.18
Payroll Direct Deposits #20508 - #20679 \$126,176.79 *Carried*
4. That Policy I.H.C. – Special Language Credit Option be amended as presented this date. *Carried*
5. That Brent Boyle be employed as teacher on a limited term teacher general contract effective September 6, 2011 until the return of the “regular” teacher or June 29, 2012 and assigned to Carberry Collegiate. *Carried*
6. That Carmen McNabb be employed as teacher on a limited term teacher general contract effective September 6, 2011 until June 29, 2012 and assigned to Carberry Collegiate. *Carried*
7. That the late choice of school request from Esther and Grady Dick for their daughter, Felicia Venne, to attend Neepawa Area Collegiate effective the fall term 2011 be approved. Bus pickup in Riding Mountain. *Carried*
8. That the spare school bus drivers as provided in the attached report be approved for the 2011/12 school year. *Carried*
9. That the request for an alternate pickup/drop off for Devin, Bailey and Dustin Mitchler be approved. *Carried*
10. That the first payment of the contract (\$188,692.50) with Westman Communication Group for high speed connectivity be expensed as a transfer to capital in the 2010/11 fiscal year. *Carried*
11. That the Division request that the funds in the NACI Science Room Reserve be used to fund the NACI Guidance Room Renovation Project. *Carried*
12. That the tender for diesel fuel for the 2011/12 school year be awarded as follows:
 - Carberry based buses: Redfern Farm Service (Imperial)
 - Neepawa, Eden & Brookdale buses: Mar-Dee Enterprises (Petro-Can)*Carried*

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Inaugural and the next Regular Board Meeting is scheduled for September 6, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.