

Beautiful Plains School Division  
Regular Board Meeting  
March 1, 2011

**Present:** Chairperson G. Hunter, Vice-Chairperson D. Rea and Trustees R. Manns, K. Guillas, J. McNeily, B. Snezyk and R. Kulbacki

**Also Present:** J. Young and G. Olmstead

***In Camera***

- a) Superintendent's Confidential Report
  - Leave of absence request
  - Student suspensions
  - Use of three consecutive leave days
  
- b) Tax Incentive Grant

The Business Meeting was called to order at 7:20 p.m.

1. The agenda was approved as amended.
2. The minutes of the February 15, 2011 Regular Board Meeting were approved as circulated.
3. Superintendent's Business Report
  - a) Leave as outlined in the Superintendent's Confidential Report item a) was approved
  - b) Updated School Calendar Draft for the 2011-12 school year was circulated.
  - c) Staffing
    - Diana Davidson returning to work as educational assistant at HMK
  - d) Overnight Student Trip Activities
    - CC Provincial Curling in Dauphin on March 3-5, 2011.
    - NACI Provincial Basketball in Winnipeg/Morris on March 16-18, 2011.
    - NACI Provincial High School Hockey in Winnipeg/Morris on March 9-12, 2011.
  - e) Late choice of school request
    - Request was approved from Kathryn & Paul Gros for Troy Myron to attend RJW effective February 8, 2011. The Gros family resides in Pine Creek S.D.
4. Secretary-Treasurer's Business Report
  - a) Resignation from Ernie Gawaziuk, school bus driver accepted effective June 17, 2011.
  - b) Budget Update: Special Meeting on March 8, 2011 at 7 p.m. at Division Office (Open to Public)
  - c) Meyers Norris Penny was appointed as Auditor for fiscal 2010/11 year.
5. Committee Reports
  - a) Teacher/Board Liaison Committee – Topics and possible dates for a meeting were noted.

## 6. New Business

- a) Letter from Nora Heschuk regarding a Manitoba-Quebec six month exchange for a grade 9 student at NACI.
- b) MSBA Convention Registrations were completed.
- c) MSBA Board Ballots Distribution

## 7. Other Reports &amp; Information

- a) High Speed Internet and Wide Area Connectivity – Western Manitoba School Divisions met with Deputy Minister, G. Farthing.
- b) Request for Proposal - High Speed Internet and Wide Area Connectivity  
Plans to get out an RFP as soon as possible with a Board decision to be made by the end of April.
- c) Study Manitoba International Student Consortium – J. Young provided an update on a recent meeting.
- d) Technology Professional Development on February 14<sup>th</sup> – J. Young commented on feedback.

## 8. Superintendent's Information and Correspondence

The following was noted:

- a) Content of Bill 13 – reviewed letter from Minister of Education
  - Compulsory school age from 16 to 18.
  - No fail policy is not allowed.
  - Early Learning Child Care Centers to be included in all schools.
  - Standardized Report Cards for the province.

## 9. Secretary-Treasurer's Information and Correspondence

The following was noted:

- a) NACI Grade Beam Repairs update.
- b) Article from the Brandon Sun – Tax Increase & Reduction of Prep Time – Brandon S.D.
- c) NACI Science Room & Guidance/Counseling Area renovations will be tendered soon.

## 10. Open Forum

- a) Tax Incentive Grant (TIG) – School tax hike and “Teachers Doing it for the Kids” – Brandon Sun articles.

**Resolutions:**

- 1. That the agenda be approved as amended. *Carried*
- 2. That the minutes of the February 15, 2011 Regular Board Meeting be approved as circulated. *Carried*
- 3. That the request for an unpaid leave of absence for one day taken over and above the provisions provided in Policy G.C.C. as outlined in the Superintendent's Confidential Report item a) be approved. *Carried*
- 4. That the late school of choice request from Kathryn & Paul Gros who reside in the Pine Creek catchment for Troy Ashton Myron to attend Kindergarten at R. J. Waugh School effective February 8, 2011 be approved. *Carried*
- 5. That the resignation from Ernie Gawaziuk, school bus driver, be accepted effective June 17, 2011. *Carried*
- 6. That Meyers Norris Penny be appointed auditor for the 2010/11 year with conditions as outlined in their proposal dated February 15, 2011 *Carried*

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Next Regular Board Meeting is scheduled for March 15, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.