

Beautiful Plains School Division

Regular Board Meeting

May 3, 2011

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

Also Present: J. Young and G. Olmstead

BPTA: D. Friesen (for regular meeting only)

In Camera

- a) Superintendent's Confidential Report
 - Leave of absence without pay
 - Teachers reduction in teaching time
 - Policy J.G.F - discussion
 - Teacher Supervision & Evaluation – "What is Good Teaching" component has been completed.
 - NACI Metal Shop guidelines
- b) Secretary-Treasurer's Confidential Report
 - Letter concerning advance pay and five weeks between pay days.
 - Construction contract

The Business Meeting was called to order at 8:05 p.m.

1. The agenda was approved as amended.
2. The minutes of the April 19, 2011 Regular Board Meeting were approved as circulated.
3. Business Arising from the Previous Meeting
 - a) RFP Connectivity

A report to the Board outlining the proposals from Westman Communication Group and MTS Allstream was presented. The purpose of the RFP was to provide increased internet connectivity and the ability to grow as the educational needs grow. The Board passed a resolution authorizing senior administration to work on a formal agreement with Westman Communication Group for fibre optic connectivity for Carberry Schools, Neepawa Schools and the Division Office. As well, Brookdale and J. M. Young will have a high speed wireless connection. Wireless communication will result in the construction of tower in Neepawa, Brookdale and perhaps Eden. The cost for the project is in the \$700,000 range.
4. Superintendent's Business Report
 - a) Staffing
 - Jennifer Byram, teacher, change in teaching time effective the fall term 2011 at Sprucewood Colony School.
 - Colleen Taylor, teacher, change in teaching time effective the fall term 2011 at Hazel M. Kellington School.
 - Resignation from Bob Lepischak, teacher, effective June 30, 2011.
 - Resignation from Rod McEwen, teacher, effective June 30, 2011.
 - Resignation from Denise McEwen, educational assistant, effective June 30, 2011.
 - Resignation from Patricia Jarvis, secretary, effective June 30, 2011.
 - Clara Doucet employed as teacher on a teacher general contract effective September 6, 2011 and assigned to HMK.
 - Bob Lepischak employed as teacher on a part time teacher general contract effective October 1, 2011. (Apprenticeship Coordinator)

- Ross Acree employed as teacher on a teacher general contract effective September 6, 2011 and assigned to NACI.
- Michelle Jarvis employed as teacher on a teacher general contract effective September 6, 2011 and assigned to RJW.
- Susan Barteaux employed as teacher on a limited term teacher general contract effective September 6, 2011 until June 29, 2012 and assigned to RJW.
- Emma Leroy employed as teacher on a part time teacher general contract effective September 6, 2011 and assigned to Sprucewood Colony School.
- Kristin Clark employed as teacher on a teacher general contract effective September 6, 2011 and assigned half time to RJW and half time to Division Itinerant Resource.
- A leave of absence as outlined in the Superintendent's Confidential Report item a) was approved.

b) Overnight Student Activities

- NACI Provincial Badminton in Carman and Morden on May 4, 5 & 6, 2011.

c) Choice of School Request Approvals for 2011/12 School Year

- Riley Kruzer, son of Keith & Crystal Kruzer, resides in Turtle River School Division and is requesting to attend Kindergarten at Hazel M. Kellington School.
- Kaylynn & Amber Smith-Boxall, daughters of Apryl Smith, moved to the Eden catchment and is requesting to continue attending school at Hazel M. Kellington School.

5. Secretary-Treasurer's Business Report

a) The following School Funds Reports have been reviewed and received by the Board as information:

Hazel M. Kellington
Carberry Collegiate – General
Neepawa Collegiate – Admin
Brookdale
R. J. Waugh
Neepawa Collegiate – Junior Student Council
Carberry Collegiate – Student Council

b) Town of Carberry Bus Transportation

The Board reviewed student bus transportation for a new subdivision in Carberry in view of policy E.A. #7. The Town of Carberry will be contacted regarding their plans for pedestrian traffic from this area.

c) Funding of Neepawa Collegiate Science/Guidance Area

The painting program funds for 2011/12 will be used to offset the cost of the above project.

d) Sarah Read was approved as a new spare bus driver.

e) New School Bus Purchase

The Division plans on purchasing a new 54-passenger bus next year. This will replace an existing 66-passenger bus which will be converted to an extra-curricular use bus.

6. New Business & Correspondence for Action

- a) MSBA – Board Visitation will be arranged.
- b) Secretary-Treasurer Evaluation - Board Chair and Vice Chair will organize.

7. Other Reports
 - a) J. McNeily reported on his recent attendance at the Lighthouse Project Workshop. The workshop outlined the “Roles of the Board for Improved Student Learning”. The Board is exploring self evaluation using this framework.
8. Secretary-Treasurer’s Information and Correspondence
The following was noted:
 - a) 2011/12 Public Schools Capital Support
 - b) MASBO Fiscal Focus
 - c) Student Accident Incident Report
9. Open Forum
 - a) Possible Bargaining Information Sharing Meeting

Resolutions:

1. That the agenda be approved as amended. *Carried*
2. That the minutes of the April 19, 2011 Regular Board Meeting be approved as circulated. *Carried*
3. That Senior Administration be authorized to initiate discussions to formulate a formal agreement with Westman Communications Group regarding the RFP High Speed Connectivity. *Carried*
4. That the resignation from Bob Lepischak, teacher, be accepted effective June 30, 2011. *Carried*
5. That the resignation from Rod McEwen, teacher, be accepted effective June 30, 2011. *Carried*
6. That the resignation from Denise McEwen, educational assistant, be accepted effective June 30, 2011. *Carried*
7. That the resignation from Patricia Jarvis, secretary, be accepted effective June 30, 2011. *Carried*
8. That Clara Doucet be employed as teacher on a teacher general contract effective September 6, 2011 and assigned to Hazel M. Kellington. *Carried*
9. That Bob Lepischak be employed as teacher on a part time teacher general contract effective October 1, 2011. *Carried*
10. That Ross Acree be employed as teacher on a teacher general contract effective September 6, 2011 and assigned to Neepawa Area Collegiate. *Carried*
11. That Michelle Jarvis be employed as teacher on a teacher general contract effective September 6, 2011 and assigned to R.J. Waugh School. *Carried*
12. That Susan Barteaux be employed as teacher on a limited term teacher general contract effective September 6, 2011 to June 29, 2012 and assigned to R.J. Waugh School. *Carried*
13. That Emma Leroy be employed as teacher on a part time teacher general contract effective September 6, 2011 and assigned to Sprucewood Colony School. *Carried*
14. That Kristin Clark be employed as teacher on a teacher general contract effective September 6, 2011 and assigned half time to R. J. Waugh School and half time to Division Itinerant Resource. *Carried*
15. That the choice of school request from Keith & Crystal Kruzer for their son, Riley Kruzer to attend Kindergarten at Hazel M. Kellington School effective the fall term 2011 be approved. *Carried*

16. That the choice of school request from Apryl Smith for her daughters, Kaylynn & Amber Smith-Boxall, to attend Hazel M. Kellington School effective the fall term 2011 be approved. *Carried*
17. That the request for 2 days of personal leave without pay as outlined in the Superintendent's Confidential Report item a) of this date be approved. This is approval for two days taken above and beyond the provisions provided in Policy G.C.C. *Carried*
18. That Amy Sawatzky be employed as teacher on a limited term teacher general contract effective September 6, 2011 to June 29, 2012 and assigned to Rolling Acres Colony School. *Carried*
19. That the following school funds reports for the year ending March 31, 2011 be received.
(all reviewed)
- Hazel M. Kellington
 - Carberry Collegiate - General
 - Neepawa Collegiate - Admin
 - Brookdale
 - R. J. Waugh
 - Neepawa Collegiate – Junior Student Council
 - Carberry Collegiate – Student Council
- Carried*
20. That Sarah Reid be approved as a spare school bus driver. *Carried*

Meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Next Regular Board Meeting is scheduled for May 17, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.