

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE BATTLE RIVER REGIONAL DIVISION #31, HELD ON APRIL 12TH, 2012, COMMENCING AT 9:03 A.M.

PRESENT

CHERYL SMITH
DOUG BOWIE
SHELLEY GRUNDBERG
REBECCA HEIBERG
NOREEN METZ
PETER MILLER
KENDALL SEVERSON

ABSENT

JIM FIELDING
RAY BOSH, Assistant Superintendent – Student Services

ALSO PRESENT

DR LARRY PAYNE, Superintendent of Schools
RICK JARRETT, Assistant Superintendent – Instruction
IMOGENE WALSH, Assistant Superintendent – Business
DIANE HUTCHINSON, Communications Coordinator
SHIRLEY FAIRALL, Recording Secretary

C SMITH IN THE CHAIR

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Smith called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

Holly Volk, student, Julie Mitchell, teacher, Jack Stuart School, and Deidre and Steve Volk, parents, joined the meeting at 9:00 a.m.

STUDENT SUCCESS

Chair Smith welcomed Ms Volk, Ms Mitchell, and Mr and Mrs Volk, and invited their presentation on Holley's success at Jack Stuart School.

Ms Volk, Ms Mitchell, and Mr and Mrs Volk left the meeting at 9:21 a.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

#33\12 D BOWIE – That the Board approve the agenda with the following additional item:

NEW BUSINESS:

7.4 Beaver County \ CW Sears Playground Letter.

CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

#34\12 N METZ – That the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of March 8th and 22nd, 2012 be approved as presented.

CARRIED

THREE YEAR PLAN REVIEW

Mr Rick Jarrett, Assistant Superintendent – Instruction, presented a summary of the alignment of the Battle River School Division Three Year Plan goals with the Alberta Education goals.

#35\12 D BOWIE – That the Board of Trustees of Battle River School Division approve the goals listed in the Three Year Plan for the 2012 – 2015 planning period as presented.

CARRIED

BUDGET DELIBERATIONS

Imogene Walsh, Assistant Superintendent – Business, presented the proposed Instructional Budget together with the Projected Student Enrolment for the 2012 – 2013 school year.

IN-CAMERA SESSION (9:54 a.m.)

#36\12 P MILLER - That the regular meeting recess to permit the Trustees to meet in-camera, and that all persons except Trustees, Superintendent of Schools Payne, Assistant Superintendent – Student Services Bosh, Assistant Superintendent - Business Walsh, Communications Coordinator Hutchinson, and Recording Secretary Fairall be excluded.

CARRIED

MEETING RECESS

The regular meeting recessed at 10:39 a.m. and reconvened at 10:49 a.m.

OUT OF IN-CAMERA SESSION (12:32 p.m.)

The In-Camera session concluded and the regular meeting reconvened.

CENTRAL HIGH SEDGEWICK PUBLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL

Trustees discussed the request presented at the March 22nd, 2012 Board meeting, to assist with funding to invite an inspirational speaker to address the students of Central High Sedgewick Public and Allan Johnstone Schools on the destructiveness and danger of excessive use of alcohol.

#37\12 D BOWIE – That the Board contributes \$1,500.00 from the Board Innovation Fund to support the Kevin Brooks Presentation at the Central High Sedgewick Public School on June 6th, 2012.

CARRIED

ALBERTA INITIATIVE FOR SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT (AIS)

Dr Larry Payne, Superintendent of Schools, provided Trustees with a summary of the AIS Leads and Principal Input which will assist with setting the direction on the next phase of AIS.

TOFIELD \ RYLEY \ BEAVER FAMILY & COMMUNITY SUPPORT SERVICES

Chair Smith brought to Trustees' attention a letter received from the Tofield \ Ryley \ Beaver Family and Community Support Services together with a response sent on behalf of Trustees regarding funding for a school outreach worker position.

CW SEARS PLAYGROUND

Trustees discussed a letter received from Mr Bob Young, Beaver County Reeve, advising of the County's commitment to contribute to the CW Sears Playground project.

MEETING RECESS

The regular meeting recessed at 12:55 p.m. and reconvened at 2:17 p.m.

PJ BAILEY CONCERT TRIBUTE

Chair Smith brought to Trustees' attention, an invitation from Bob and Val Bailey to attend the Concert Tribute to PJ Bailey on May 18th, 2012 at the Bailey Theatre in Camrose.

AAC FALL CONFERENCE

Chair Smith encouraged Trustees to attend the Alberta Assessment Consortium 2012 Annual Fall Conference, 'Feedback For Learning', scheduled for September 27th to 29th, 2012 at the Westin Hotel and Conference Centre in Edmonton.

2012 EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING AWARD

Chair Smith advised Trustees that Theresa Krutchen, Bawlf Teacher, has been selected as a semi-finalist for the Alberta Education 2012 Excellence in Teaching Award.

PROVINCIAL SKILLS CANADA COMPETITION

Trustees received an invitation to attend the 2012 Provincial Skills Canada Competition and Partnership Luncheon on May 10th, 2012 at the Edmonton EXPO Centre in Edmonton. Trustee Miller reported on his attendance at the 2011 Provincial Skills Canada Competition.

AUDIT COMMITTEE - TERMS OF REFERENCE

#38\12 K SEVERSON - That the Board of Trustees adopt the Terms of Reference for the Audit Committee as presented, and further that these be attached to, and form a part of, these minutes.

CARRIED

TALK TO TRUSTEES

Chair Smith brought to Trustees' attention enquiries received through the Talk to The Trustees Website and the responses.

ASBA ZONE 4 MEETING

Trustees Heiberg and Miller will attend the ASBA Zone 4 Meeting scheduled on Monday, April 23rd, 2012 at the Wild Rose School Division in Drayton Valley, Alberta.

SCHOOL RESULTS REVIEW

Trustees will meet with Shirley Stiles, Consultant, on Monday, April 30th, 2012 to prepare for upcoming school results review discussions.

ASBA ZONE 4 MEETING DEBRIEF

Chair Smith, Vice Chair Bowie, together with Trustees Heiberg, Metz, and Severson, reported on their attendance at the ASBA Zone 4 meeting held in Camrose on March 26th, 2012.

Chair Smith, on behalf of Trustees, commended Matthew Stinson, teacher, and the Culinary Arts students of CCHS for their presentation and the luncheon they prepared. Chair Smith also applauded Randy Roth, teacher, Karen Blumhagen, vice principal, both of Forestburg School, together with Kathleen Scheu, teacher, from Ryley School for their Science Leader Program presentation.

RURAL EDUCATION NATIONAL CONGRESS

Trustee Grundberg reported on her attendance at the 17th National Congress on Rural Education in Canada on March 25th to 27th, 2012 in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan.

CAPITAL PLAN COMMITTEE UPDATE

Trustee Severson reported on a letter received from the Town of Edberg advising BRSD that they are rescinding their offer to purchase the Edberg School.

Trustee Severson advised that the Capital Plan Committee received a letter from the Honourable Jeff Johnson, Minister of Infrastructure, advising that Alberta Infrastructure will provide funding in the amount of \$450,000.00 for the demolition of the Alliance School.

#39\12

K SEVERSON – Based on the letter received from Alberta Infrastructure, that the Board amend motion #31\12 to remove the demolition of the Alliance School and realign the priorities in the 2012 Alberta Education Capital Plan as follows:

- 1) Bashaw School Modernization
- 2) Cornerstone Christian Academy Lease Funding
- 3) Sparling School Modernization.

CARRIED

Trustee Severson provided Trustees with an update on the progress of the Bawlf School plans.

CANDIDATE FORUM

Chair Smith, Vice Chair Bowie, and Diane Hutchinson, Communications Coordinator, reported on the Candidate Forum on April 11th, 2012 hosted by Battle River School Division in correlation with Alberta Teachers' Association and the Camrose Chamber of Commerce.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr Rick Jarrett, Assistant Superintendent – Instruction, reported on behalf of Dr Larry Payne, Superintendent of Schools, that Dan Cole, Principal of Chester Ronning School, has been nominated to travel to China as a representative of Battle River School Division which is sponsored through the HanBan Organization.

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The regular meeting recessed at 3:09 p.m.

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