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December 7, 2011

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

TO BE HELD MONDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2011 AT 7:00 P.M.

J. L. MILNE BOARDROOM, ADMINISTRATION OFFICE

1031 - 6TH STREET, BRANDON, MANITOBA

G.F. Barnes
Secretary-Treasurer

AGENDA

1.00 AGENDA/MINUTES:

1.01 Reference to Statement of Board Operations

1.02 Approval of Agenda

1.03 Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meetings

a) Regular Board Meeting, November 28, 2011.
Adopt.

2.00 GOVERNANCE MATTERS:

2.01 Presentations For Information

a) Crocus Plains Regional Secondary School Golden Geckos F1 Team.

2.02 Reports of Committees

a) Personnel Committee Minutes — L. Ross

b) Policy Review Committee Minutes — K. Sumner
- November 28, 2011
- December 5, 2011

c) Divisional Futures & Community Relations Committee Minutes — P. Bowslaugh
- December 1, 2011

d) Other

2.03 Delegations and Petitions

a) Mr. Jamie Burt, Parent, speaking to a request for transportation.

2.04 Communications for Action

a) Mr. Robert Rivard, President, Manitoba School Boards Association, November 30, 2011, thanking the Board for their comments regarding the 2010-2011 Committee Member Survey Results. He notes that the MSBA has two representatives on the Minister's Advisory Committee on Funding of School Programs. It has been MSBA"s practice to name one trustee – usually the association president, and the Executive Director to this Committee. Therefore he sits on the committee in for this year. They will list both representatives on the survey results in the future. As for the Provincial Healthy Child Advisory Committee, participants are appointed by the Minister as per *The Healthy Child Manitoba Act*. Appointments are for three years or until the appointment is revoked by the Minister.

Refer Business Arising.

b) Robert Rivard, President, Manitoba School Boards Association, December 7, 2011, inviting nominations for the 2012 Presidents' Council Award. This award celebrates exemplary service and outstanding achievement, innovative thinking and personal initiative, and lasting and pervasive impact in the field of public education. The common feature they are looking for when selecting a recipient for this award is a contribution to public education that goes above and beyond the requirements of an individual's job or position, whatever that job or position may entail. Nominations for this award must be received at the association office by Friday, February 10, 2012.

Refer Business Arising.

2.05 Business Arising

- From Previous Delegation

- From Board Agenda

a) Correspondence from Mr. Robert Rivard, President, Manitoba School Boards Association, from Communications for Action 2.04a), thanking the Board for their comments regarding the 2010-2011 Committee Member Survey Results and answering the Board's questions regarding who sits on the Minister's Advisory Committee on Funding of School Programs or the Provincial Healthy Child Advisory Committee from the Association.

b) Correspondence from Robert Rivard, President, Manitoba School Boards Association, from Communications for Action 2.04b), inviting nominations for the 2012 Presidents' Council Award.

- MSBA issues (last meeting of the month)

- From Report of Senior Administration

a) School Reports – NIL.

b) Learning Support Services Presentation – All/Day Every Day Kindergarten Report – T. Timmerman.

c) Items from Senior Administration Report
- Giving of Notice – Policy 3011 – Refer Motions.
- Crocus Plains Regional Secondary School Off-Site Activity Request – Refer Motions.
- Brandon Career Symposium – Request for Funds – Refer Motions.
- Trustee Inquiry
  - Grade 4 to 8 Class Sizes – Trustee Murray.
  - Crocus Plains Vocational Program – Trustee Bartlette.
  - Senior High Equity Funds for Extracurricular Activities – Trustee Kruck.

2.06 Public Inquiries (max. 15 minutes)

2.07 Motions

173/2011 That Policy 3011 – "Purchasing Authority" be rescinded and replaced with Policy and Procedures 3011 – "Purchasing Authority".

174/2011 That the trip involving nineteen high school hockey students from Crocus Plains Regional Secondary School to Phoenix, AZ from December 27, 2011 to January 2, 2012 be approved and carried out in accordance with Board Policy/Procedures 4001: Off-Site Activities.

175/2011 That the request of the Brandon Career Symposium 2012 for financial support be approved in the amount of $2,000.

176/2011 That the three Student Support Services Program Facilitators each receive a consultant allowance in accordance with Section 9.06 of the Collective Agreement, effective September 1, 2011.

2.08 Bylaws

NIL

2.09 Giving of Notice

That I, or someone in my stead, will introduce a motion to rescind Policy and Procedures 9038 – "Public Advertising on School Property" and replace same with Policy and Procedures 9038 – "Restrictive Public Advertising on School Property".

2.10 Inquiries

- Trustee Inquiries

3.00 ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION:

3.01 Report of Senior Administration

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3.02 Communications for Information

a) Mr. Robert Rivard, President, Manitoba School Boards Association, November 17, 2011, advising that the Board's correspondence regarding Bill 13 was discussed by the Provincial Executive of MSBA at its meeting on November 14, 2011. Executive members share the Brandon School Division's concerns regarding the implementation of this Bill and have requested this item be included on the agenda of the 2012 January Regional Meetings for discussion by all trustees in the province. They have also requested a meeting be scheduled with Minister Allan at her earliest convenience to seek clarification around Government expectations of school boards with regard to learning to age 18 and the class size reduction initiative.

Receive and File.

b) Ms. Linda Grossart, BSIMA President, and Mr. Roger Bright, BSIMA Financial Officer, November 21, 2011, putting forth a formal request for the annual funding allotment for instrument purchases for the Division's Instrumental Music (band) programs for the upcoming budget process. Their enrollment numbers continue to increase, especially in the grade 7 and 8 programs which means a significant increase in the number of instrument rentals provided by BSIMA. They are now faced with purchasing more instruments annually for the programs to meet this increased demand and are therefore requesting that the School Division provide a 10% increase in their annual funding allotment towards instrument purchases in the upcoming budget. They are requesting not less than $23,900 for instrument purchases for the 2012-2013 budget year.

Refer to Secretary-Treasurer's Department.

c) Nancy Allan, Minister of Education, November 28, 2011, noting concerns around the quality of teacher candidate practicum experiences were raised by members of the advisory body to the Minister of Education on matters related to teacher education and certification. An Ad-hoc Committee was formed comprised of representatives from the faculties of education and other educational partner organizations. The result of the review is a document entitled "Strengthening Partnerships – Improving the Quality of Teacher Candidate Practicum Experiences in Manitoba". The document serves to help ensure that teacher candidates experience a meaningful and relevant practicum and therefore it is being shared with all the cooperating partners involved in the practicum placement process.

Refer Education Committee.

d) Gerald Barnes, undated, thanking the Board of Trustees for sponsoring his retirement evening celebration. The ring he received and the glass blown wheat received by his wife were greatly appreciated and will be a true reminder of his 27 years with the Brandon School Division.

Receive and File.

3.03 Announcements

a) Friends of Education Committee Meeting – 11:30 a.m., Thursday, December 15, 2011, Conference Room.

b) Divisional Futures and Community Relations Committee Meeting – 11:45 a.m., Thursday, December 15, 2011, Betty Gibson School.

c) Personnel Committee Meeting – 12:00 noon, Monday, December 19, 2011, Board Room.

d) Finance Committee Meeting – 2:00 p.m., Monday, December 19, 2011, Board Room.

e) Policy Review Committee Meeting – 11:30 a.m., Tuesday, January 3, 2012, Board Room.

f) NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING – 7:00 p.m., Monday, January 9, 2012, Board Room.

4.00 IN CAMERA DISCUSSION:

4.01 Student Issues

- Reports

a) Confidential #2 – Student Matter – Reinstatement.

- Trustee Inquiries

4.02 Personnel Matters

- Reports

a) Confidential #1 – Personnel Report.

- Trustee Inquiries

4.03 Property Matters/Tenders

- Reports

- Trustee Inquiries

4.04 Board Operations

- Reports

- Trustee Inquiries

5.00 ADJOURNMENT

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Appendix A

LEADERSHIP, ADVOCACY AND SERVICE FOR MANITOBA'S PUBL. ...ARDS

November 30, 2011

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Mr. Mark Sefton, Chairperson
Brandon School Division
1031-6th Street
BRANDON, Manitoba
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Dear Mr. Sefton:

Thank you for your comments regarding the 2010-2011 Committee Member Survey Results. I wish to advise you that MSBA, like other partner organizations, has two representatives on the Minister's Advisory Committee on Funding of School Programs. Since this committee's inception, it has been MSBA's practice to name one trustee – usually the association president and our Executive Director to this committee. As such, I sit on the FSP Committee in this current year. In the future we will list both representatives on the survey results form.

Regarding the Provincial Healthy Child Advisory Committee, participants are appointed by the Minister as per *The Healthy Child Manitoba Act*. Appointments are for a three year term or until the appointment is revoked by the Minister.

I hope this responds to your concerns. We appreciate your bringing them to our attention.

Sincerely,

Robert Rivard
President

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Appendix B

LEADERSHIP, ADVOCACY AND SERVICE FOR MANITOBA'S PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARDS

December 7, 2011

TO: All School Boards
Manitoba Education
Partner Organizations: MASS, MASBO, MTS, MAPC
Manitoba School Improvement Program
Faculties of Education

FROM: Robert Rivard, President

RE: ***2012 Presidents' Council Award: Call for Nominations***

On behalf of the Manitoba School Boards Association Provincial Executive, I am pleased to invite nominations for our 2012 Presidents' Council Award. This award celebrates exemplary service and outstanding achievement, innovative thinking and personal initiative, and lasting and pervasive impact in the field of public education.

The full range of individuals critical to successful student learning are eligible for the Manitoba School Boards Association Presidents' Council Award–teachers, administrators, parents, support staff, volunteers, trustees, university faculty and ministry personnel. The common feature we are looking for when we select a recipient for the Presidents' council Award is **a contribution to public education that goes above and beyond the requirements of an individual's job or position, whatever that job or position may entail.**

To ensure that the award recognizes this full range of contributions, the MSBA Executive has determined that each year, nominations will be accepted in one of two alternating categories: (1) professional educators, and (2) support staff and community members. ***In 2012, we will be accepting nominations in the category of support staff and community members.***

Nominations for this award must be received at the association office by ***Friday, February 10, 2012***. Nominations and supporting documentation will be deemed confidential, to be used solely for the purpose of selecting an award winner. The Selection Committee consists of the current Manitoba School Boards Association President and Vice-Presidents, as well as the three most immediate Past Presidents who remain active trustees. The Executive Director of the Association is an ex-officio member of the Selection Committee. The presentation of the Award will be made at the Association's annual Celebration of Success, to be held on March 15, 2012.

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