



MINUTES OF THE INAUGURAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, THE BRANDON SCHOOL DIVISION, HELD IN THE J. L. MILNE BOARDROOM, ADMINISTRATION OFFICE, 1031 - 6TH STREET, BRANDON, MANITOBA, AT 7:00 P.M., MONDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2018.

**PRESENT:**

Ms. Sherilyn Bambridge, Mr. Peter Bartlette, Ms. Kim Fallis, Ms. Delvina Kejick, Ms. Lisa Letain, Mr. Stephen Montague, Mr. Jim Murray, Dr. Linda Ross, Mr. Kevan Sumner.

Secretary-Treasurer, Mr. Denis Labossiere, Recording Secretary, Ms. Bernadene Sangster.

Senior Administration: Dr. Marc Casavant, Superintendent/CEO, Mr. Mathew Gustafson, Assistant Superintendent, Ms. Elaine McFadzen, Acting Assistant Superintendent.

Secretary-Treasurer, Mr. Denis Labossiere was in the Chair.

The Acting Chairperson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., with a traditional heritage acknowledgement, followed by the singing of O'Canada.

**CALL:**

The Acting Chairperson advised that the Inaugural Meeting of the Board had been called for the purpose of organization for the ensuing year, as set forth in the Agenda.

**AFFIDAVITS OF QUALIFICATION AND OATHS OF OFFICE AND ALLEGIANCE:**

Judge Hewitt-Michta was present to conduct and witness the completion of the Oath of Office by each Trustee. Judge Hewitt-Michta swore the Trustees in as a group following which they individually signed their Affidavit of Qualification and Oath of Office and Allegiance of Trustee, witnessed by Judge Hewitt-Michta.

**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND INTERESTS:**

The Acting Chairperson advised that he had in his custody as Secretary-Treasurer the Statements and Assets and Interests filed by the nine elected Trustees in accordance with Section 39.3 of The Public Schools Act.

**ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON OF THE BOARD:**

The Acting Chairperson noted Trustee Sumner had requested his name be brought forth for the position of Chairperson of the Board for the ensuing year.

The Acting Chairperson invited further nominations for the position of Chairperson of the Board for the ensuing year, noting that a nominator only was required.

Trustee Murray nominated Trustee Ross. Trustee Ross allowed her name to stand.

Mr. Bartlette – Ms. Bambridge  
That nominations do now cease.

Carried.

Each of the candidates for Chairperson presented a few words to the Trustees in support of their nomination, including qualifications and past experiences.

An election for the position of Chairperson of the Board was held by secret ballot, The Acting Chairperson, with the Superintendent/CEO as witness, counted the ballots.

The Acting Chairperson declared Trustee Ross to be duly elected by majority vote as Chairperson of the Board for the ensuing year commencing November 5, 2018.

#### **ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRPERSON OF THE BOARD:**

The Acting Chairperson noted Trustees Bambridge, Montague and Sumner had requested their names be brought forth for the position of Vice-Chairperson of the Board for the ensuing year.

Trustee Sumner withdrew his nomination for Vice-Chairperson.

The Acting Chairperson invited further nominations for the position of Vice-Chairperson of the Board for the ensuing year, noting that a nominator only was required.

There were no further nominations from the floor.

Ms. Bambridge – Ms. Fallis  
That nominations do now cease.

Carried.

Each of the candidates for Vice - Chairperson presented a few words to the Trustees in support of their nomination, including qualifications and past experiences.

An election for the position of Vice - Chairperson of the Board was held by secret ballot, The Acting Chairperson, with the Superintendent/CEO as witness, counted the ballots.

The Acting Chairperson declared Trustee Bambridge to be duly elected by majority vote as Vice - Chairperson of the Board for the ensuing year commencing November 5, 2018.

Mr. Murray – Dr. Ross  
That the ballots be destroyed.

Carried.

The Acting Chairperson invited the newly elected Chairperson, Trustee Ross, to assume the Chair for the conduct of the remainder of the meeting.

#### **CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS:**

Linda Ross

"I would like to thank you for your support. I am honoured to fulfil this position for another year. I am sure we are going to work very well together. There are exciting times ahead – some of them good, some of them not so good – but they will all be exciting. We have the new school to look forward to and we have the Education Review coming up. I'm not sure if that's something to look forward to or not but that remains to be seen. So there's lots of work to be done here. We have new faces around the table and a new influx of energy so I think that it's going to be a really good year."

**VICE-CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS:**

Sherilyn Bambridge

"Thank you very much for your vote of confidence. All I have to say is pitter, patter, let's get at 'er because we have some really important stuff to get through in the next four years."

**SECRETARY-TREASURER'S DECLARATION OF OCCUPATIONS OF TRUST:**

The Secretary-Treasurer read a letter addressed to the Board of Trustees wherein he advised, in accordance with the provisions of Section 53(5) of The Public Schools Act, that he holds no occupations of trust other than that of Secretary-Treasurer of The Brandon School Division.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Mr. Murray – Ms. Bambridge

That the meeting do now adjourn (7:25 p.m.)

Carried.

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Chairperson

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Secretary-Treasurer