BRANDON SCHOOL DIVISION

"Accepting the Challenge"

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May 9, 2012

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

TO BE HELD MONDAY, MAY 14, 2012 AT 7:00 P.M.

J. L. MILNE BOARDROOM, ADMINISTRATION OFFICE

1031 - 6TH STREET, BRANDON, MANITOBA

K. Zabowski
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) Special Board Meeting, April 23, 2012.
Adopt.

b) Regular Board Meeting, April 23, 2012.
Adopt.

c) Special Board Meeting, May 1, 2012.
Adopt.

2.00 GOVERNANCE MATTERS:

2.01 Presentations For Information

2.02 Reports of Committees

a)	School Division/Parent/Guardian Advisory Committee Minutes	K. Sumner
b)	Divisional Futures and Community Relations Committee Minutes - April 19, 2012 - April 24, 2012 - April 26, 2012	P. Bowslaugh
c)	Personnel Committee Minutes	L. Ross
d)	Finance Committee Minutes	M. Snelling
e)	Other - Trip to Grand Rapids, Manitoba – April 25, 2012 - Maple Leaf Lunch and Learn Event – May 4, 2012	 M. Sefton M. Snelling

2.03 Delegations and Petitions

1. Mr. Ken Jackson, Brandon General Museum, regarding the B.J. Hales collection.

2. Steven Cherewyk, Parent, regarding request to ride school bus with his child.

2.04 Communications for Action

a) Sherrill-Lee and Bob Hyra, May 8, 2012, sharing their thoughts about the current method of transportation for shop and home economics programming in the Division. They received very little information from their school about the expectation for children to transport themselves to Home Economics programming. They note they received a notice a day or two in advance, upon their child being handed a city bus pass on the 1st day of their scheduled Home Ec. Class. As they both work out of town, travelling by city transit was the child's only option. They had to rely on and were thankful to have neighbours share their experiences as they had an older child who took city transit to such classes in the past. The lack of communication from the school/division was most disappointing. They have signed wavier forms for events when all class room teachers and administration are in attendance to supervise. Therefore, they ask the question "Where is the true risk and most need to ensure that parents have received thorough and proper communication about off site school related activities?" They ask the Board to revisit the transportation issue for these valuable and necessary programs in the division and if there are feasible transportation options to be explored to consider them. At the very least they ask that there be a process followed by each school to inform both students and parents in advance about the option of City transit and expecting them to "hop on the next bus".(Appendix A).

Refer Business Arising.

2.05 Business Arising

- From Previous Delegation

- From Board Agenda

a) From Communications for Action 2.04a) Sherrill-Lee and Bob Hyra, sharing their thoughts about the current method of transportation for shop and home economics programming in the Division. They ask the Board to revisit the transportation issue for these valuable and necessary programs in the division and if there are feasible transportation options to be explored to consider them. At the very least they ask that there be a process followed by each school to inform both students and parents in advance about the option of City transit and expecting them to "hop on the next bus".

- MSBA issues (last meeting of the month)

- From Report of Senior Administration

a) School Reports – NIL
b) Learning Support Services Presentation – Nola Warnica, Westman Project Manager, Career Trek.
c) Items from Senior Administration Report –
   - Tabled Motion – Refer Motions.
   - Giving of Notice – Policy 5074 – Refer Motions.
   - Giving of Notice – Policies 6006 and 6019 – Refer Motions.
   - Trustee Inquiries:
     - Trustee Kruck – Receipt of Information regarding Financial Hardship.

2.06 Public Inquiries (max. 15 minutes)

2.07 Motions

Tabled Motion:
49/2012 That Policy 4041 – "Fundraising" is hereby reaffirmed.

61/2012 That Policy and Procedures 5074 - "Workplace Violence Prevention" is hereby approved.

62/2012 That the following policies be rescinded:
- Policy 6006 – "Administrator of Student Support Services";
- Policy 6019 – "Role of the Teacher".

63/2012 That the Letter of Understanding between the Brandon Teacher's Association of the Manitoba Teachers' Society and the Brandon School Division providing for the secondment of the Local Association President on a full-time basis for the 2012/2013 school year be approved; and the Chairperson and Secretary-Treasurer be authorized to affix their signatures thereto.

2.08 Bylaws

That By-Law 1/2012 being a by-law to amend By-Law 4/2010 regarding the authorization of payments of indemnities to Trustees be now read for the first time.

2.09 Giving of Notice

I hereby give notice that at the next meeting, I or someone in my stead, will introduce a motion to rescind Form 7004.2 – "Violent Incident Report Form".

2.10 Inquiries

- Trustee Inquiries

3.00 ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION:

3.01 Report of Senior Administration

Receive and File.

3.02 Communications for Information

a) Dr. Paul Fieldhouse, Nutrition Research and Policy Analyst, on behalf of The Healthy Schools Team, Healthy Living, Seniors and Consumer Affairs, Manitoba Education, Healthy Child Manitoba, May, 2012, enclosing a copy of the *2009 Manitoba School Nutrition Survey Report.* Copies of the report, plus information, tips and resources on healthy foods in schools can be downloaded at: www.manitoba.ca/healthyschools/foodinschools.
Receive and File.

3.03 Announcements

a) Workplace Safety & Health Committee Meeting – 1:00 p.m., Wednesday, May 16, 2012, Conference Room.

b) Policy Review Committee Meeting – 11:30 a.m., Thursday, May 17, 2012, Board Room.

c) Special Board Meeting – Expulsion Hearing – 12:00 noon, Tuesday, May 22, 2012, Board Room. (TENTATIVE)

d) Divisional Futures and Community Relations Committee Meeting – 12:00 noon, Friday, May 25, 2012, Board Room.

e) Personnel Committee Meeting – 12:00 noon, Monday, May 28, 2012, Board Room.

f) NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING – 7:00 p.m., Monday, May 28, 2012, Board Room.

4.00 IN CAMERA DISCUSSION:

4.01 Student Issues

- Reports

- 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

Appendix A

May 8, 2012

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Dear Board of Trustees of the Brandon School Division:

We are writing to share our thoughts about the current method of transportation for shop and home economics programming in the division. It was surprising to us, as parents of a grade7 student to receive very little information from our school about the expectation for children to transport themselves to their Home Ec programming across town. We received a notice of this only a day or two in advance, upon our child being handed a city bus pass on the day of his 1st scheduled Home Ec. Class. In our situation travelling by city transit is his only option to rely on as both of us work out of town during our work day. We relied on and were thankful to have neighbours share their experiences as they had an older child who had taken city transit to arrive at their Home Ec program in the past. The lack of communication from the school/division was most disappointing, especially working through this on a first time basis. It is suprising that a school division who is hung up on waivers and acknowledgement of risk for other off site activities did not take appropriate action for communicating with parents in advance. I have signed waiver forms for Terry Fox Walks at the Sportsplex track which occurs adjacent to our school when all class room teachers and administration are in attendance to supervise. I ask you the board, to consider the question "Where is the true risk and most need to ensure that parents have received thorough and proper communication about off site school related activities? I ask you the board to revisit the transportation issue for these valuable and necessary programs in our division and if there are feasible transportation options to be explored to consider those, if not, at very least ensure that there is a process followed by each school for informing both kids and parents in advance about the option of City transit and expecting them to hop on the next bus.

Sincerely,

Sherrill-Lee and Bob Hyra