



BRANDON SCHOOL DIVISION

Facilities/Transportation Committee Minutes

Tuesday, October 20, 2015 – 11:30 a.m.
Boardroom, Administration Office

Present: G. Buri (Chair), P. Bartlette (Alternate), J. Murray, M. Sefton,
D. Labossiere, G. Malazdrewicz, M. Clark, R. Harkness.

Regrets: G. Kruck

1. CALL TO ORDER.

The Facilities & Transportation Committee Meeting was called to order at 11:35 a.m.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Trustee Buri noted he had one item to add to the agenda.

The agenda was approved as amended.

3. PREVIOUS COMMITTEE MINUTES FOR INFORMATION PURPOSES ONLY

The Minutes of September 22, 2015 were received as information.

5. COMMITTEE GOVERNANCE GOAL ITEMS

A) **Catchment Area Consultation – Tuesday, November 10, 2015**

The Committee discussed the format for the upcoming Catchment Area Public Consultation. It was agreed that it would be an open forum format, with information provided on enrolment and school capacities. Discussion groups will be formed after the presentation, after which time people will have an opportunity to ask questions of the Committee. Trustee Buri will facilitate and Mr. Greg Malazdrewicz, Assistant Superintendent, will present the information.

Mr. Malazdrewicz provided a current school catchment map and reviewed the affected schools' capacity, current enrolment, and projected 2020 enrolments. The following schools were discussed:

Betty Gibson	Earl Oxford
George Fitton	École Harrison
King George	Linden Lanes
Meadows	New Era
Riverheights	Valleyview
Waverly Park	

The Committee discussed options for catchment areas and busing of students.

The Committee discussed the suggested questions they would pose to those in attendance at the consultation and also discussed principles for addressing capacity and catchment concerns. Public feedback on the principles for consideration will be used during deliberations on addressing capacity and catchment areas.

Strategies in addressing the capacity and catchment areas are:

- 1) Diversion of new enrolment and/or
- 2) Relocation of current students.

Considerations need to take into account the following:

- Busing
- Long term stability of schools for students
- School of choice
- Grandfathering
- Before and after school programs
- Access to lunch programs

The Committee acknowledged there are social and educational components to changing the catchments.

6. OTHER COMMITTEE GOVERNANCE MATTERS

A) Sub-Committee Reports

- Workplace Safety & Health (WPS&H) Committee – Draft Proposal for Variance Request
The Committee reviewed the draft variance proposal provided to the WPS&H Committee. Mr. Malazdrewicz noted that the proposal and letter requesting the variance will be ready around October 30th. Letters of support from the Unions are also required for the variance.

Trustee Murray suggested that a summary of accident and incident reports should be shared with the Facilities & Transportation Committee.

B) Request for Buses

The Committee noted that the use of Brandon School Division buses was approved every year for the Society for Manitobans with Disabilities and there were no objections to the request.

Recommendation:

That a school bus be provided to the Society for Manitobans with Disabilities for their Winter Break Program for the days of December 21, 22, 28, 29 and 30th, 2015 at the current rates subject to approval by the Supervisor of Transportation and the Manitoba Transport Board.

C) Updated Playground Replacement Schedule

Mr. Denis Labossiere, Secretary-Treasurer and Mr. Mel Clark, Directory of Facilities and Transportation, reviewed the updated draft playground replacement schedule. It was noted that some schools have 2 playground structures on their school grounds. The Committee agreed that although a school may have 2 structures, it would only receive the maximum Division funding of \$30,000 for the structures through the scheduled replacement cycle.

The Committee also discussed the situation that a school may move up the list if they have their fundraising in place and that the school(s) ahead of them on the list do not have their fundraising in place and/or are not prepared to replace their structure.

A revised playground replacement schedule will be presented at the next Committee meeting.

7. OPERATIONS INFORMATION

- The Director of Facilities provided updates on the following projects:
 - Vincent Massey science labs – temporary occupancy permits have been received and classes are operating.
 - Betty Gibson – Portable – is onsite with temporary occupancy occurring this week – classes will start Monday October 26.
 - Betty Gibson – Grooming Room – Project starts week of October 26
 - Bus Bay Addition – Slabs poured, structural steel to go up next week, new parking lot out front has been completed, estimated completion sometime in December.
 - Green Acres Gymnasium Addition – Authorization to proceed with construction documents has been received from PSFB.
- September 30, 2015 Enrolment

Mr. Greg Malazdrewicz, Assistant Superintendent, spoke to this item and indicated that as of September 30, 2015 enrollment in schools was 8,547. The Kindergarten enrolment was 622. The enrolment increased by approximately 142 students over last year.

Additional Agenda Items

- Path by Waverly Park School

Trustee Buri spoke to the matter of the unsafe “path to nowhere” that the students from Waverly Park School are using. In a recent meeting between Brandon School Division Trustees and the City of Brandon Council, it was indicated by Councilors that the City is going to fill in the path.

- Sidewalk at Victoria Avenue and 18th Street

Mr. Mel Clark spoke to this item and indicated he had received information from the City that they will be sending surveyors out to review the sidewalk in that location.

8. NEXT REGULAR MEETING: Tuesday, November 17, 2015, 11:30 a.m., Boardroom

The meeting adjourned at 1:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

G. Buri, Chair

G. Kruck

J. Murray

P. Bartlette (Alternate)