



BRANDON SCHOOL DIVISION

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING/COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, THE BRANDON SCHOOL DIVISION, HELD IN THE J. L. MILNE BOARDROOM, ADMINISTRATION OFFICE, 1031 - 6TH STREET, BRANDON, MANITOBA, AT 6:00 P.M., TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2022.

TRUSTEES PRESENT: L. Ross, Chairperson
J. Gobeil, Vice-Chairperson

S. Bambridge
C. Ekenna
K. Fallis
B. Foley
D. Kejick (by phone)
J. Murray

ALSO PRESENT: D. Labossiere, Secretary-Treasurer
M. Gustafson, Superintendent/CEO
S. Gilleshammer, Assistant Superintendent
J. Zilkey, Assistant Superintendent
B. Sangster, Recording Secretary
T. Curtis, Live Streaming Video Operator

REGRETS: L. Letain

The Chairperson called the In-Camera portion of the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

AGENDA

1.00 AGENDA/MINUTES:

1.01 Approval of Agenda

Senior Administration added two (2) items for In-Camera.

Trustee Ross added one (1) item for In-Camera.

Mr. Gobeil – Ms. Bambridge
That the agenda be approved as amended.
Carried.

1.02 Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meetings

a) The Minutes of the Board Meeting held September 26, 2022 were circulated.

Mr. Murray – Ms. Fallis
That the Minutes be approved as circulated.
Carried.

Mr. Gobeil – Mr. Ekenna

That the Board do now resolve into Committee of the Whole In-Camera. (6:04 p.m.)

Carried.

2.00 IN CAMERA DISCUSSION (COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE):

2.01 Student Issues

- Reports

- Trustee Inquiries

2.02 Personnel Matters

- Reports

a) Staffing Activity Report was presented.

b) Trustee Ross discussed a Personnel Matter with the Board. Mr. Mathew Gustafson, Superintendent/CEO, answered Trustee questions. The Board provided direction to Trustee Ross.

- Trustee Inquiries

2.03 Property Matters/Tenders

- Reports

a) Mr. Denis Labossiere, Secretary-Treasurer provided information on a Board Operations Matter and answered Trustee questions. The Superintendent/CEO provided additional information on this matter and answered Trustee questions. Feedback was received from the Board.

- Trustee Inquiries

2.04 Board Operations

- Reports

a) The Superintendent/CEO provided an update on a Board Operations Matter, answered Trustee questions and received feedback from the Board.

- Trustee Inquiries

Ms. Fallis – Ms. Bambridge

That the Committee of the Whole In-Camera do now resolve into Board. (7:15 p.m.)

Carried.

The Chairperson called the Public portion of the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. with a traditional heritage acknowledgement.

3.00 PRESENTATIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS:

3.01 Presentations For Information

3.02 Communications For Information

a) Correspondence was received from Sharon Loewen, concerned citizen and mother, Pembina Trails School Division, advocating for the LGBTQ2S+ community in regard to gender-neutral washrooms in schools. Ms. Loewen notes the lack of Equal Bathroom Rights in schools and

appeals to the Division to support an initiative to convert most, if not all, bathrooms to gender neutral bathrooms in Manitoba schools.

Also included is a statistics and facts sheet from the Centre for Suicide Prevention, along with correspondence from Alba Lopez Gomez and Naomi Finkelstein (Founders and Facilitators), PFFoTI (Parents Family and Friends of Transgender Individuals), The Rainbow Resource Centre. They acknowledge the work that the schools have done over the years to facilitate some bathroom access for transgender, nonbinary and gender diverse children and youth, but note there is still work to do.

Received and filed.

3.03 Communications For Action

4.00 REPORT OF SENIOR ADMINISTRATION

Mr. Mathew Gustafson, Superintendent/CEO, provided highlights on the following items from the October 11, 2022 Report of Senior Administration:

A) Administrative Information

- Celebrations:
 - World Teachers' Day – October 5th
 - Annual Viking Classic Volleyball Tournament
 - Socktober – October
 - Truth and Reconciliation Week – September 26 to 30, 2022
- Information Items:
 - Correspondence from Manitoba Education and Early Childhood Learning
 - Truth and Reconciliation Week and National Day for Truth and Reconciliation – September 30, 2022
 - Free Menstrual Product Distribution to Schools
 - Take our Kids to Work™ Day 2022 – November 2, 2022
 - Correspondence from The Royal Canadian Legion
- Presentations:
 - Improved Connectivity for Spring Valley Colony School – A. Kean
 - Supporting Our 2SLGBTQIA+ Students and Families – S. Gilleshammer
 - Enrolment Update – M. Gustafson

Mr. Gobeil – Ms. Bambridge

That the October 11, 2022 Report of Senior Administration be received and filed.

Carried.

5.00 GOVERNANCE MATTERS

5.01 Reports of Committees

- a) Finance and Facilities Committee Meeting
The written report of the Finance and Facilities Committee meeting held on September 26, 2022 was circulated.

Ms. Fallis – Mr. Foley

That the Report be received and filed.

Carried.

- b) Personnel and Policy Committee Meeting
The written report of the Personnel and Policy Committee meeting held on September 26, 2022 was circulated.

Ms. Bambridge – Mr. Murray
That the Report be received and filed.
Carried.

5.02 Delegations and Petitions

5.03 Business Arising

- From Previous Delegation
- From Board Agenda
- MSBA Matters

- a) e-bulletin, October 5, 2022

5.04 Public Inquiries (max. 15 minutes)

5.05 Motions

5.06 Bylaws

Bylaw 2/2022

2nd Reading:

Mr. Foley

That Bylaw 2/2022 being a bylaw of the Brandon School Division to authorize payment of indemnities and mileage to Trustees and repealing Bylaw 6/2018 passed on October 9, 2018, be now read for the second time, having been read for a first time on September 26, 2022.

5.07 Giving of Notice

5.08 Trustee Inquiries

6.00 ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a) NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING/COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – 7:30 p.m. (public), Monday, October 24, 2022, Boardroom.

School Trustee Elections:

- Election Date – Wednesday, October 26, 2022

Additional Information:

- Members of the public wishing to make a presentation, a delegation or a petition are asked to contact Ms. Bernadene Sangster, Executive Assistant, at sangster.bernadene@bsd.ca, or (204) 729-3114, no later than 4:00 p.m. on the Tuesday prior to the Board meeting.
- We invite everyone to watch live streaming of the Board meetings on our website: <https://www.bsd.ca/page/8192/board-meeting-dates-live-streaming>

7.00 ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Fallis –Ms. Bambridge
That the Board do now adjourn (8:10 p.m.)
Carried.

Chairperson

Secretary-Treasurer