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Minutes of Regular Meeting
of the
Board of Trustees
of
The Winnipeg School Division

**APPROVED BY THE
BOARD ON
DECEMBER 19, 2011**

Board Room, Administration Building,
Winnipeg, December 5, 2011.

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of The Winnipeg School Division was held this day at 7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Present: Trustees R. Hildahl (Chair), A. Ramos, S. Hrynyk, C. Collins, K. Barr,
D. Bautista, M. Babinsky, M. Wasyliv, J. Sneesby

In Attendance: P. Clarke, R. Appelmans, K. Seiler, C. Caetano-Gomes, R. Chartrand,
D. Persaud, G. Heath, B. Lapointe

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Hrynyk-Ramos That the Agenda for the regular meeting of the School Board to be held this evening, December 5, 2011, be approved. – Carried.

Hrynyk-Ramos That an In Camera item be added to the Agenda under Business Matters as defined in Rule 41.4. – Carried.

The Agenda as amended was voted on and declared. – Carried.

READING AND CONFIRMING OF MINUTES

A copy of the minutes to be considered had previously been distributed to the Trustees. A motion was now adopted for these minutes to be taken as read, and approved as follows:

Barr-Bautista Regular Meeting – November 21, 2011

PRESENTATION AND CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

The following reports were considered:

Central District Committee Report No. 3-2011
Student Advisory Committee Report No. 3-2011

Dated November 16, 2011
Dated November 17, 2011

Central District Committee Report No. 3-2011

Collins-Hrynyk That the Central District Committee Report No. 3-2011 be received. - Carried.

Student Advisory Committee Report No. 3-2011

Barr-Ramos

That the Student Advisory Committee Report No. 3-2011 be received. – Carried.

ENQUIRIES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS94 – WE Day Celebrations

Trustee Ramos informed trustees that that he, along with Trustees Hildahl, Barr and administration, attended the WE Day event on November 23, 2011, at the MTS Centre. Approximately 16,000 students from across the Province attended. The purpose of the event was to inspire and celebrate the youth movement for Global change. Trustee Ramos and Trustee Barr were able to participate and learn the WE Day dance, which is designed to be a fun activity to channel energy, was done along with music from artist Shawn Desman. The program included Mia Farrow, Al Gore, Rick Henson and a performance by Hedley. Trustee Ramos indicated that he would share the literature and the items he received at the event with trustees. Trustee Ramos had the privilege of attending a session with students from Children of the Earth School which included two Aboriginal leaders as well as the Honorable Paul Martin.

Trustee Ramos thanked the staff that accompanied all the students attending the WE Day activities as the Winnipeg School Division was very well represented. Trustee Ramos encouraged all trustees to participate next year.

Trustee Barr also informed trustees that WE Day was an amazing and inspiring day with the enormous number of excited students in attendance who had lots of energy. Trustee Barr informed trustees that she was able to attend a breakfast where statistics were shared regarding studies of young people across the country. Approximately 20-25% of youth thought they could make an impact before the WE Day event and after the event 85-95% students felt inspired that they could make a difference in their world. Trustee Barr informed trustees that the Division has already seen an impact from the WE Day events as Free the Children called A Day of Silence in which students from each of the Division's High Schools along with some of the junior high schools took a vow of silence, whether at home or during the school day, to make a stand on an issue that is important to them and their families and friends. Trustee Barr commended the staff and schools for allowing this event to happen and for being accommodating and keeping the students engaged in the event. WE Day is already being scheduled to be held in Winnipeg next year. Trustee Barr also brought to the attention of trustees the fact that Paul Martin made sure that he recognized the Winnipeg School Division as a leader in Aboriginal education.

95 – Winnipeg Youth Orchestra

Trustee Collins informed trustees that she attended the concert of the Winnipeg Youth Orchestra along with Trustee Hildahl and she found it to be a moving afternoon with some very young and talented musicians.

NEW BUSINESS**96 - Condolences**

The following motion was adopted by a silent standing vote:

That the Board's sympathy be recorded, with regret, in the bereavement of the following:

On November 20, 2011, Olga Memrick, Former Trustee;

and that this motion be adopted by a silent standing vote. – Carried.

97 - By-Law No. 1191 – THIRD READING**Religious Instruction at Wellington School**

Ramos-Bautista That By-Law No. 1191, a by-law of The Winnipeg School Division for the purpose of permitting religious instruction at Wellington School, be read a third time in short and passed.

Trustee Babinsky requested that a recorded vote be taken.

The motion, was voted on and declared – Carried, the vote being recorded as follows:

Ayes: Trustees Collins, Bautista, Babinsky, Ramos, Hildahl, Sneesby	- 6
Nays:	- 0
Abstain: Trustee Hrynyk, Barr, Wasyliv	- 3

By-Law No. 1191 was then read accordingly.

98 - By-Law No. 1192 – THIRD READING**Religious Instruction at Meadows West School**

Babinsky-Bautista That By-Law No. 1192, a by-law of The Winnipeg School Division for the purpose of permitting religious instruction at Meadows West School, be read a third time in short and passed. – Carried.

Trustee Babinsky requested that a recorded vote be taken.

The motion, was voted on and declared – Carried, the vote being recorded as follows:

Ayes: Trustees Collins, Bautista, Babinsky, Ramos, Hildahl, Sneesby	- 6
Nays:	- 0
Abstain: Trustee Hrynyk, Barr, Wasyliv	- 3

By-Law No. 1192 was then read accordingly.

99 - By-Law No. 1193 – SECOND READING
Religious Instruction at Greenway School

Bautista-Sneesby That By-Law No. 1193, a by-law of The Winnipeg School Division for the purpose of permitting religious instruction at Greenway School, be read a second time in short.

Trustee Babinsky requested that a recorded vote be taken.

The motion, was voted on and declared – Carried, the vote being recorded as follows:

Ayes: Trustees Collins, Bautista, Babinsky, Ramos, Hildahl, Sneesby	- 6
Nays:	- 0
Abstain: Trustee Hrynyk, Barr, Wasyliw	- 3

By-Law No. 1193 was then read accordingly.

100 - By-Law No. 1194 – FIRST READING
Religious Instruction at David Livingstone School

Babinsky-Bautista That By-Law No. 1194, a by-law of The Winnipeg School Division for the purpose of permitting religious instruction at David Livingstone School, be now introduced and read a first time in short.

Trustee Babinsky requested that a recorded vote be taken.

The motion, was voted on and declared – Carried, the vote being recorded as follows:

Ayes: Trustees Collins, Bautista, Babinsky, Ramos, Hildahl, Sneesby	- 6
Nays: Barr	- 1
Abstain: Trustee Hrynyk, Wasyliw	- 2

By-Law No. 1194 was then read accordingly.

101 - By-Law No. 1195 – FIRST READING
DEBENTURE BORROWING - \$3,007,800.00

Barr-Collins That By-law No. 1195 a by-law of The Winnipeg School Division for the purpose of borrowing \$3,007,800.00 for certain building projects, be introduced and read a first time in short.

By-Law No. 1195 was then read accordingly.

102 - Reduce Speed Limits in School Zones

Sneesby-Barr Motion, notice of which was given by Trustee Sneesby on November 7, 2011:

That the Chair of the Board of Trustees write a letter to the City of Winnipeg advising that the Winnipeg School Division is in support of reducing and enforcing the speed limits in school zones.
 – Carried.

103 - Study of Parking, Pickup, and Drop off Areas for Students within the Division

Babinsky-Ramos Motion, notice of which was given by Trustee Babinsky on November 7, 2011:

That the administration conduct a study of the parking, pickup and drop off areas for students attending Meadows West School and other schools within the Division.

Revised:

“That the administration conduct a study of the parking, pickup and drop off areas for students attending schools in the Division.”

Barr-Hrynyk That this matter be referred to Policy/Program Committee for review. – Carried.

104 - Stanley Knowles School Review

Babinsky-Bautista Motion, notice of which was given by Trustee Babinsky on November 7, 2011:

That the administration conduct an outdoor facility and recreational equipment review at Stanley Knowles School. – Carried.

AGENDA INFORMATION ITEMS

Hrynyk-Wasyliw That Information Correspondence No. IC55-11 – IC59-11 be received as information. – Carried.

Hrynyk-Wasyliw That Superintendent’s Information Report No.13-2011 be received as information. – Carried.

BUSINESS MATTERS AS DEFINED IN RULE 40.3Committee of the Whole

Sneesby-Collins That the Board recess into Committee of the Whole in camera at this time. - Carried.

The Board then recessed into Committee of the Whole in camera at 7:25 p.m. with Trustee Ramos in the Chair.

Upon the Board resuming in public session at 7:28 p.m., Trustee Ramos, the Chair of the Committee of the Whole presented the following recommendations of that Committee:

105 – Leaves of Absence – Without Salary

Ramos-Babinsky That the leaves of absence without salary as outlined in the confidential report dated December 5, 2011 be granted. – Carried.

Trustee Ramos, the Chair of the Committee of the Whole reported that there was a personnel matters.

NOTICE OF MOTIONS

106 - Ward Boundaries Ad Hoc Committee

The following Notice of Motion was presented by Trustee Hrynyk:

“That a Ward Boundaries Ad Hoc Committee be established to review the current ward system and trustee representation.”

The Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Chair.

Secretary-Treasurer