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

**APPROVED BY THE
BOARD ON
JUNE 6, 2011**

Board Room, Administration Building,
Winnipeg, May 16, 2011.

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

The Secretary-Treasurer called the meeting to order.

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

In Attendance: P. Clarke, T. Bobby, K. Seiler, C. Caetano-Gomes,
R. Chartrand, D. Persaud, L. Wilson, E. Gerbasi, G. Heath,
B. Lapointe

Regrets: A. Ramos

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Bautista-Sneesby That the Agenda for the regular meeting of the School Board to be held this evening, May 16, 2011 be approved. – 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:

Sneesby-Barr Regular Meeting – April 11, 2011 – Carried.
Sneesby-Hildahl Special Meeting – May 9, 2011 – Carried.

READING OF COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS

The following correspondence was dealt with as indicated:

OC4-11 – From The Winnipeg Teachers' Association of the Manitoba Teachers' Society

Informing the Board of Trustees that The Winnipeg Teachers' Association of the Manitoba Teachers' Society are requesting to begin negotiations of a new collective agreement between the Winnipeg School Division and The Winnipeg Teachers' Association.

Barr-Hildahl That this communication be referred to the Management Committee for Negotiation with The Winnipeg Teachers' Association of the Manitoba Teachers' Society. – Carried.

PRESENTATION AND CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

The following reports were considered:

Superintendent's Report No. 7-2011	Dated May 16, 2011
Student Advisory Committee Report No. 2-2011	Dated April 6, 2011
Policy/Program Committee Report No. 2-2011	Dated April 11, 2011
Public Relations/Communications Report No. 1-2011	Dated April 13, 2011
Central District Advisory Committee Report No. 2-2011	Dated April 13, 2011
Building/Transportation Committee Report No. 2-2011	Dated May 3, 2011
Finance/Personnel Committee Report No. 7-2011	Dated May 9, 2011
Review Procedural By-Law Special Committee Report No. 2-2011	Dated May 10, 2011

Superintendent's Report No. 7-2011

Collins-Babinsky	That the recommendation for Clause No. 1a (Accounts List/ Summaries of Salaries and Wages) be approved. – Carried.
Collins-Babinsky	That the recommendation for Clause No. 1b (Accounts List/ Summaries of Salaries and Wages) be approved. – Carried.
Babinsky-Bautista	That the recommendation for Clause No. 2 (Children of the Earth High School - Truth and Reconciliation Commission) be approved. – Carried.
Bautista-Babinsky	That the recommendation for Clause No. 3 (Bridges FASD Intermediate School Program -David Livingstone School) be approved. – Carried.
Hildahl-Bautista	That the recommendation for Clause No. 4 (R. B. Russell Vocational High School – Boiler Replacement Phase II) be approved. – Carried.
Collins-Barr	That the recommendation for Clause No. 5a (CHOICES Youth Program (Youth Corrections)- 2011-2012 - Manitoba Justice) be approved. – Carried.
Barr-Babinsky	That the recommendation for Clause No. 5b (CHOICES Youth Program (Youth Corrections)- 2011-2012 - Manitoba Justice) be approved. – Carried.
Bautista-Babinsky	That the recommendation for Clause No. 6 (Tyndall Park School – Play Structure Installation) be approved. – Carried.
Barr-Collins	That the recommendation for Clause No. 7 (Gordon Bell High School – Cooling Tower Replacement) be approved. – Carried.
Bautista-Barr	That the recommendation for Clause No. 8 (Laura Secord School – Roof Replacement) be approved. – Carried.
Hildahl-Sneesby	That the recommendation for Clause No. 9 (Tuition Fees – 2011-2012 School Year) be approved. – Carried.
Hildahl-Sneesby	That the recommendation for Clause No. 10a (Recognition for Special Accomplishments) be approved. – Carried.

Sneesby-Hildahl That the recommendation for Clause No. 10b (Recognition for Special Accomplishments) be approved. – Carried.

Collins-Barr That the recommendation for Clause No. 10c (Recognition for Special Accomplishments) be approved. – Carried.

Student Advisory Committee Report No. 2-2011

Bautista-Barr That the Student Advisory Committee Report No 2-2011 be received. – Carried.

Policy/Program Committee Report No. 2-2011

Barr-Bautista That the Policy/Program Committee Report No. 2-2011 be received. – Carried.

Barr-Hildahl That the recommendation for Clause No. 1 (Policy KG – Use of School Facilities (Appended)) be approved. – Carried.

Barr-Bautista That the recommendation for Clause No. 2a (Plastics and Plastic Recycling in the Winnipeg School Division) be approved. – Carried.

Barr-Hildahl That the recommendation for Clause No. 2b (Plastics and Plastic Recycling in the Winnipeg School Division) be approved. – Carried.

Public Relations/Communications Committee Report No. 1-2011

Bautista-Collins That the Public Relations/Communications Committee Report No 1-2011 be received. – Carried.

Central District Advisory Committee Report No. 2-2011

Bautista-Collins That the Central District Advisory Committee Report No. 2-2011 be received. – Carried.

Building/Transportation Committee Report No. 2-2011

Hildahl-Babinsky That the Building/Transportation Committee Report No. 2-2011 be received. – Carried.

Hildahl-Babinsky That the recommendation for Clause No. 1a (French Immersion Program – Future Space Requirements) be approved. – Carried.

Hildahl-Barr That the recommendation for Clause No. 1b (French Immersion Program – Future Space Requirements) be approved. – Carried.

Hildahl-Barr That the recommendation for Clause No. 2 (Day Care Facilities) be approved. – Carried.

Finance/Personnel Committee Report No. 7-2011

Collins-Babinsky That the Finance/Personnel Committee Report No. 7-2011 be received. – Carried.

Collins-Babinsky That the recommendation for Clause No. 2 (Building Reserve Fund) be approved. – Carried.

Review Procedural By-Law Special Committee Report No. 2-2011

Barr-Hildahl That the Review Procedural By-Law No. 1064 Special Committee Report No. 2-2011 be received. – Carried.

ENQUIRIES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

169 – 7th Annual Shawane Dagoiwin: Indigenous Knowledges:
Visioning for Inclusive and Sustainable Relationships in Research and Educational Practice

Trustee Hildahl informed trustees that she attended the 7th Annual Shawane Dagoiwin: Indigenous Knowledges: Visioning for Inclusive and Sustainable Relationships in Research and Educational Practice. Trustee Hildahl informed the trustees that one of the workshops she attended was an Update on Work-in-Progress – Examining the Development of an Aboriginal School System in Winnipeg. The Aboriginal Council of Winnipeg is arranging an Aboriginal School System Steering Committee. The overall goal of the committee is to enable urban Aboriginal people to have a bigger role in determining how Aboriginal youth are taught within a publicly-funded school system.

170 – MSBA – School Board Leadership for Improved Student Learning,
Lessons form the Lighthouse Study

Trustee Hildahl informed trustees that she attended, along with Trustee Sneesby, a presentation by Mary Delagardelle, the Executive Director of the Iowa School Boards Foundation which was sponsored by the Manitoba School Boards Association. The workshop, entitled School Board Leadership for Improved Student Learning, Lessons form the Lighthouse Study, was very informative and included a piece titled Setting Goals and Measurable Targets which may be of personal interest to the Chair and Vice Chair.

171 – Diabetes Research Foundation Gala –
Grant Park High School Jazz Band

Trustee Hildahl informed trustees that she, along with Trustee Sneesby, attended the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation Gala. The Grant Park High School Jazz Band performed during the welcoming of guests. The band instructor and assistant showcased the talented students who volunteered their youthful energy and added excellence to the evening.

172 – Lord Roberts School 100th Anniversary Celebration

Trustee Hildahl informed trustees that she attended that 100th Anniversary Celebration of Lord Robert's School held on May 2, 2011. Trustee Hildahl commended the staff, parents and students, both former and current, for their hard work and dedication in making this a welcoming, informative and fun event. The student presentation was especially enjoyable, "Music from the Decades".

In response to an enquiry from Trustee Hildahl regarding whether principals have access to a fund to defray the cost of 100th Anniversary events, the Chief Superintendent will review whether funds are available and provide information at a future meeting.

173 – Returning to Spirit, Living & Expressing Reconciliation Event

Trustee Hildahl informed trustees that she attended the Returning to Spirit, Living & Expressing Reconciliation Event where she shared a table with several staff from William Whyte School who had participated in this process.

Trustee Hildahl informed trustees that it was a serious and moving evening lightened by the presence of the Master of Ceremonies, Winston Wuttunee. The evening also included a performance by the Half Pints, a Métis square dancing group under the direction of Brenda Lapointe. The Half Pints infected the room with a joie de vivre.

Trustee Hildahl wished to commend and congratulate the Board Administrative Assistant of the Division who has pulled together talented young people from the community who now perform throughout the Province of Manitoba.

174 – Science Fair Awards Ceremony

Trustee Barr informed trustees that she had the pleasure of bringing greetings to the Winnipeg School Division's Science Fair Awards Ceremony. The science fair projects were comprehensive and detailed and many were focused on sustainable development. Trustee Barr would like to commend the students and the science consultant for all of the extra effort in making the Science Fair a huge success. Trustee Hrynyk also brought greetings at the opening ceremonies and the Chief Superintendent was also in attendance.

175 – Congratulations to former Trustee Bateman

Trustee Barr expressed congratulations to former trustee/colleague Joyce Bateman on her recent election on May 2, 2011, into the House of Commons as a member of Parliament. Ms Bateman provided the Winnipeg School Division with ten years of service and Trustee Barr commended her on those years and requested that the Chair of the Board write a letter of congratulations on behalf of the Board.

176 – 4th Annual ANAK Liwayway High School Conference

Trustee Bautista informed trustees that she attended the 4th Annual ANAK Liwayway High School Conference and would like to commend that administration for their attendance. There were six high schools that participated in this conference with five being from the Winnipeg School Division. The talent at this conference reflected first, second and third generations which included a team from Toronto who performed theatre, ancient poetry, and a hip hop battle.

NEW BUSINESS

177 - 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 April 7, 2011, Eleanor Ruth Fitzpatrick, Retired
Educational Assistant, a member of our staff for 12 years;

On April 15, 2011, Herbert Zilkie, Retired
Custodian/Cleaner, a member of our staff for 7 years;

On May 1, 2011, Eileen Bennett, Retired Clerk, a member
of our staff for 16 years;

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

178 – Board Committee Memberships

- Bateman-Collins a) “That **Trustee Sneesby** be named as the Chair of the Finance/Personnel Committee for the remainder of the term commencing May 16, 2011.” – Carried.
- (Please Note - In Accordance with Winnipeg School Division Procedural By-Law No. 1064 Section 38.2, the Chair of the Finance/Personnel Committee will automatically become a member of the Policy/Program Committee.)
- b) “That **Trustee Bautista** be named as a member of the Pension Committee for the remainder of the term commencing May 16, 2011.” – Carried.
- Barr-Babinsky That P. Clarke, Chief Superintendent, and C. Caetano, Superintendent of Schools - Central, be named as scrutineers for the counting of ballots. – Carried.
- Trustee Hildahl nominated Trustee Sneesby
Trustee Barr nominated Trustee Hrynyk
- c) “That **Trustee Hrynyk** be named as a member of the Sinking Fund Committee for the remainder of the term commencing May 16, 2011.” – Carried.
- Babinsky-Barr That the scrutineers be instructed to destroy all ballots taken. – Carried.
- d) “That **Trustee Hildahl** be named as a member of the South District Advisory Committee for the remainder of the term commencing May 16, 2011.” – Carried.
- e) “That **Trustee Collins** be named as a member of the French Immersion Advisory Committee for the remainder of the term commencing May 16, 2011.” – Carried.
- f) “That **Trustee Bautista** be named as a member of the MSBA MUST Fund Committee for the remainder of the term commencing May 16, 2011.” – Carried.
- g) “That **Trustee Barr** be named as a member of the Respectful Workplace Special Committee for the remainder of the term commencing May 16, 2011.” – Carried.

179 – By-Law 1183 – SECOND & THIRD READING
DEBENTURE BORROWING - 1,756,000.00

Collins-Bautista (a) “That By-Law No. 1183, a by-law of the Winnipeg School Division for the purpose of borrowing ONE MILLION, SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY SIX THOUSAND DOLLARS (1,756,000.00) for certain building projects and issuing debentures therefor, be now introduced and read a second time in short.” – Carried.

(By-Law No. 1183 then read accordingly.)

Collins-Babinsky (b) “That the rules be suspended in order for By-law No. 1183 to be read a third time.” – Carried.

Collins-Babinsky (c) “That By-law No. 1183 a by-law of the Winnipeg School Division, be read a third time in short and passed.” – Carried.

(By-law No. 1183 then read accordingly.)

AGENDA INFORMATION ITEMS

Sneesby-Collins That Information Correspondence No. IC21-11 – IC27-11 be received as information. – Carried.

Sneesby-Collins That Superintendent’s Information Report No.6-2011 be received as information. – Carried.

BUSINESS MATTERS AS DEFINED IN RULE 41.4

Committee of the Whole

Hildahl-Babinsky 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 7:55 p.m. with Trustee Barr, Vice Chair.

Upon the Board resuming in public session at 8:02 p.m., Trustee Barr, Vice Chair of the Committee of the Whole presented the following recommendation of that Committee:

180 - Leaves of Absence – Without Salary

Barr-Babinsky That the leaves of absence without salary as outlined in the confidential report dated May 16, 2011 be granted. – Carried.

181 - Suspension Report – March 2011

Barr-Hildahl That the Suspension Report for March 2011 be received as information. – Carried.

182 - BILL 28 – The Public Schools Amendment Act

Barr-Babinsky That the Chair of the Board write a letter to Mr. Cullen, PC Education Critic advising that Division Policies are in compliance with the proposed amendments to Bill 28 – The Public Schools Amendment Act. – Carried.

183 - Queenston School - Gymnasium Addition
Kelvin High School - Gymnasium and Multi-Purpose Addition

Barr-Collins That the Board of Trustees write a letter to the Minister of Education requesting confirmation on the completion date for the Kelvin High School Gymnasium and Multi-Purpose Addition project. – Carried.

184 - Administrative Appointment
– Supervising Vice-Principal - Winnipeg Adult Education Centre

Barr-Sneesby That effective September 6, 2011 Jeff Deitz be appointed to the position of Supervising Vice-Principal at Winnipeg Adult Education Centre. – Carried.

185 - Administrative Appointment
- Principal, Harrow School

Barr-Hildahl That effective September 6, 2011 Leslie MacGillivray be appointed to the position of Principal at Harrow School. – Carried.

186 - Administrative Appointment
- Principal, Faraday School

Barr-Babinsky That effective September 6, 2011 Andrea Redsky be appointed to the position of Principal at Faraday School. – Carried.

Trustee Barr, the Vice-Chair of the Committee of the Whole, informed the Board that the Committee of the Whole discussed a matter related to Division property.

The meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

Chair

Secretary-Treasurer