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

APPROVED BY THE BOARD ON MARCH 16, 2015

Board Room, Administration Building, Winnipeg, March 9, 2015.

A Special meeting of the Board of Trustees of The Winnipeg School Division was held this day at 5:05 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Present: Trustees M. Wasyliw, S. Rollins, C. Broughton, L. Naylor,

K. Freedman, C. Collins, A. Beach, M. Babinsky, D. Koshelanyk

In Attendance: R. Appelmans, C. Caetano-Gomes, R. Chartrand, F. Mota, G. Heath,

B. Lapointe, R. Carter, E. Barnaby

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Rollins-Babinsky That the Agenda for the Special meeting of the School Board to be held

this evening, March 9, 2015 be approved. - Carried.

PRESENTATION AND CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

Finance/Personnel Committee Report No. 5-2015

Dated March 2, 2015

Finance/Personnel Committee Report No. 6-2015

Dated March 5, 2015

Finance/Personnel Committee Report No. 5-2015

Rollins-Beach That the Finance/Personnel Committee Report No. 5-2015 be received.

Carried.

Finance/Personnel Committee Report No. 6-2015

Rollins-Beach That the Finance/Personnel Committee Report No. 6-2015 be received.

Carried.

BUSINESS MATTERS AS DEFINED IN RULE 42.7

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Chair	Secretary-Treasurer
The meeting adjourned at 6:32 p.m.	
Trustee Collins, the Chair of the regarding the 2015/2016 Budget.	Upon the Board resuming in public session at 6:30 p.m. Committee of the Whole reported that there were discussions
The Board then recessed into Committee of the Whole in camera at 5:10 p.m. with Trustee Collins in the Chair.	
Collins-Beach	That the Board recess into Committee of the Whole in camera at this time. – Carried.
Committee of the Whole	

Finance/Personnel Committee Report No. 5-2015

FINANCE/PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 5-2015

To the Chair and Members Winnipeg Public School Board

March 2, 2015

Your Finance/Personnel Committee reports as follows:

1. Continuation of 2015/2016 Budget Discussions

Your Committee reviewed feedback received from delegations that appeared at the February 23, 2015 Public Board Meeting, as well as written submissions from parent councils, and residents of the Division regarding the 2015/2016 Budget. Your Committee also agreed that administration review how to improve surveys that the Winnipeg School Division prepares in the future at the next Public Relations/Communication Committee meeting.

Your Committee continued its review of items in the budget including potential savings/reductions. Your Committee was provided with a list of potential cost reductions which could be will implemented in order to help mitigate costs and ultimately property tax increases including immunization program, Province-wide benefit plan, sick time usage, pupil teacher ratio, switch technology renewal plan, school and district technician support, physical education teaching positions, and summer school English as an Additional Language. Your Committee also discussed the potential cost reductions on common closure days. Your Committee was reminded that administration will continue to provide the information requested regarding the budget.

Your Committee agreed to continue budget discussions at the next Finance/Personnel Committee Meeting.

Respectfully submitted

SHERRI ROLLINS Committee Chair

March 2, 2015 In Attendance:

Trustees: S. Rollins, C. Collins, A. Beach, C. Broughton, L. Naylor, M. Wasyliw,

K. Freedman, M. Babinsky, D. Koshelanyk

Administration: R. Appelmans, P. Clarke, C. Caetano-Gomes, F. Mota, K. Seiler, R. Chartrand,

G. Heath, E. Barnaby, R. Carter, T. Bobby, D. Edmond, C. Rhodes, N.

Roslinsky, K. Stuart

Finance/Personnel Committee Report No. 6-2015

FINANCE/PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 6-2015

To the Chair and Members Winnipeg Public School Board

March 5, 2015

Your Finance/Personnel Committee reports as follows:

1. Continuation of 2015/2016 Budget Discussions

Your Committee reviewed budgetary items in the 2015/2016 budget requirements and recommendations and discussed the importance of maintaining programs, services, equipment and infrastructure; budget reductions, savings and cost control measures. Your Committee was advised by administration of the impact of proposed changes to required items in Draft Budget expenditures. Your Committee also reviewed budget enhancements.

Your Committee reviewed items in the proposed allocations from reserve which included full-day kindergarten, Dreambox, web management, school board meeting software, data storage, Wi-Fi initiative, network management software, washroom renovations, clinical support services and Waterford Green.

Yours Committee was advised that the final property assessment roll information, which will be utilized in calculating the mill rate, has been provided by the City of Winnipeg. The increase in assessment will have the effect of reducing the tax increase required for the 2015/2016 Draft Budget with expenditures of \$387,343,300 from 3.7% to 3.4%.

Your Committee discussed the importance of continuing discussions regarding the draft budget.

Respectfully submitted

SHERRI ROLLINS Committee Chair

March 5, 2015 In Attendance:

Trustees: S. Rollins, C. Collins, A. Beach, C. Broughton, L. Naylor, M. Wasyliw,

K. Freedman, M. Babinsky, D. Koshelanyk

Administration: R. Appelmans, P. Clarke, C. Caetano-Gomes, F. Mota, R. Chartrand, G. Heath,

E. Barnaby, R. Carter, T. Bobby, D. Edmond, C. Rhodes, J. Millar,

J. Smerchanski, B. Lapointe, N. Roslinsky, K. Stuart