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Minutes of Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of

APPROVED BY THE BOARD ON SEPTEMBER 22, 2014

The Winnipeg School Division

Board Room, Administration Building, Winnipeg, September 8, 2014.

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

The Chair of the Board called the meeting to order.

Present: Trustees S. Hrynyk (Chair), M. Wasyliw, C. Collins, K. Barr,

R. Hildahl, M. Babinsky, A. Ramos, J. Sneesby

In Attendance: P. Clarke, R. Appelmans, K. Seiler, C. Caetano-Gomes,

R. Chartrand, F. Mota, E. Barnaby, G. Heath, B. Lapointe

Regrets: D. Bautista

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA** 

Ramos-Sneesby That the Agenda for the regular meeting of the School Board to be

held this evening, September 8, 2014, be approved. – Carried.

Collins-Babinsky That an In Camera item be added to the agenda under Business

Matters as defined in Rule 42.7 – 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:

Hildahl-Babinsky Regular Meeting – June 16, 2014 Barr-Babinsky Special Meeting – June 23, 2014

### **READING OF COMMUNICATIONS OF PETITIONS**

The following correspondence was dealt with as indicated:

OC17-14 From James Allum, Minister of Education and Advanced Learning

Regarding 2014-2015 Child Care Proposals

Wasyliw- Collins That this correspondence be received as information- Carried

OC18-14 From Dana Lorentz, Office of the Mayor, City of Winnipeg

Thanking the chair for the letter regarding speed reduction on King Edward Street between Inkster Boulevard and Jefferson Avenue.

Wasyliw- Ramos

That this correspondence be received as information- Carried

OC19-14 From James Allum, Minister of Education and Advanced Learning

Informing the Board that the three classroom addition at École Lansdowne has been approved. The Winnipeg School Division may proceed to Construction Documents.

Hildahl-Wasyliw

That this correspondence be received as information- Carried

## PRESENTATION AND CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

The following report was considered:

Superintendent's Report No.10-2014

Dated September 8, 2014

# Superintendent's Report No.10-2014

Collins-Barr That Clause No. 1a (That the list of Salaries and Wages

paid during the month of June and July 2014, as summarized on Account Listing 2014-07) be approved. –

Carried.

Collins-Wasyliw That Clause No. 1b (That the June and July 2014 list of

payment of accounts) be approved. - Carried.

Barr- Collins That Clause No. 2 ("Fresh Start" Project, A Supportive

Transition Program for Aboriginal Young Adults

Gordon Bell High School - 2014/2015) be approved. -

Carried.

Hildahl-Wasyliw That Clause No. 3 (Interdivisional Program for Students

with Autism IPSA) be approved. -Carried.

Barr-Ramos That Clause No. 4a (Adult Learning Centres - Funding

Agreements - 2014/2015- Kaakiyow li moond Likol (Lord Selkirk - Turtle Island Community Centre) be approved. -

Carried.

Wasyliw-Sneesby That Clause No. 4b (Adult Learning Centres - Funding

Agreements - 2014/2015- River Osborne Community

Centre) be approved. -Carried.

## **ENQUIRIES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## 283 - The Benefits of Music Education

Trustee Collins informed trustees of an article from the Royal Conservatory which features scientific findings that participating in music benefits both brain structure and brain function in children. A research report by Dr. Sylvain Moreno et al. showed that 90% of the children who participated in their study showed a remarkable gain in intelligence after 20 days of music training. Trustee Collins requested that a copy of this article be distributed to trustees for information.

# 284 - Community School Investigators (CSI)

Trustee Collins informed trustees that she attended a lunch organized by Community School Investigators (CSI) at Dufferin School on July 14, 2014. Community School Investigators is a summer enrichment program, which was launched at Dufferin School in 2005. The program is truly a collaborative community effort and is supported and operates under a number of organizations. The program has grown rapidly since 2005 and has made significant contribution to improving educational opportunities for children of diverse backgrounds in many of Winnipeg's Central and Inner City schools. She indicated that high school students help approximately 90 children to learn literacy, mathematics, and science as well as many other fun events.

### 285 - Manitoba Liquor Lotteries & Corporation

Trustee Collins informed trustees that she was invited to attend a meeting hosted by Manitoba Liquor & Lotteries Corporation and was advised that the province is conducting research to determine the rate of violent crimes in proximity to places where liquor is served and sold. A similar study was conducted in New Zealand and will be referenced to compare results in Manitoba. Trustee Babinsky indicated that he would be interested in receiving a copy of the New Zealand Report Study on the violent crime in proximity to places where liquor is served and sold.

### 286 - Purchase of New School Buses

In response to an enquiry from Trustee Babinsky regarding the process for the purchase of 25 new school buses, the Secretary-Treasurer indicated that every year the Province of Manitoba allows school divisions to participate in a central tender process for the purchase and replacement of buses. Trustees may recall that during budget discussions the Board determines an appropriate amount for the replacement of 21 buses. The cost for the replacement of 21 buses was approximately \$2M.

### 287 - Transportation and Permits

Trustee Babinsky informed trustees that he received a call regarding the permit issued for the Canada Day celebrations on July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014, at Tyndall Park School. Trustee Babinsky indicated that permit holders could not access the school as the doors were locked as a Division custodian was not on site. The permit included access for a baseball tournament, washrooms and access to school grounds for fireworks. There were approximately 1,000 community residents in attendance, and unfortunately the event was delayed until a member of administration was contacted to open school facility. The Secretary-Treasurer informed Trustee Babinsky that there was an error in communication and that the administration is revising the permits to include after hour contact information. Trustee Babinsky also thanked the Secretary-Treasurer and Department of Buildings for their quick response to resolve this matter.

### 288 - Gender Neutral Washrooms

Trustee Ramos wished to recognize the administration for their proactive measures taken to provide accessibility for staff and student to gender neutral washrooms. In response to an enquiry regarding whether teachers have received Egale Training to assist in providing supports for students/parents, the Chief Superintendent informed trustees that for a number of years the Division has provided training for staff to assist with ensuring that schools are safe and inclusive and that supports are available for families.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

# 289 - Condolences

The following motion was adopted by a silent standing vote:

On June 15, 2014, John L. Patterson, Retired Mechanical Foreman, a member of our staff for 31 years;

On June 24, 2014, Jean G. Campbell, Retired Clerk, a member of our staff for 15 years;

On June 28, 2014, Olivera Lambeta, Educational Assistant, a member of our staff for 8 years;

On June 30, 2014, Ferlon Goosehead, Educational Assistant, a member of our staff for 14 years;

On July 28, 2014, Martha Dzaman, Retired Clerk, a member of our staff for 14 years;

On August 15, 2014, Dolores Hebert, Retired Principal, a member of our staff for 29 years:

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

290- By-Law No. 1228 – THIRD AND FINAL READING Religious Instruction at Sargent Park School

Babinsky-Collins That By-Law No. 1228, a by-law of The Winnipeg

School Division for the purpose of permitting religious instruction at Sargent Park School, be now read a third

time in short and passed.

Babinsky-Ramos That a recorded vote be taken. – Carried.

The motion was voted on and declared – Carried, the vote

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being recorded as follows:

Ayes: Trustees Hildahl, Ramos, Babinsky, Sneesby, Collins

Nays: Trustees, Barr, Wasyliw, Hrynyk - 3

By-Law No. 1228 then read accordingly.

# 291- By-Law 1229 - FIRST READING DEBENTURE BORROWING - \$1,692,300.00

Collins-Barr That By-Law No. 1229, a by-law of the Winnipeg

School Division for the purpose of borrowing ONE MILLION SIX HUNDRED AND NINETY TWO THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$1,692,300.00) for certain building projects be

introduced and read a first time in short.

By-Law No. 1229 then read accordingly.- Carried

### **AGENDA INFORMATION ITEMS**

Hildahl-Sneesby That Information Correspondence No. IC38-14- IC54-14 be

received as information - Carried.

Hildahl-Ramos That Superintendent's Information Report No. 9-2014 be

received as information. - Carried.

# **BUSINESS MATTERS AS DEFINED IN RULE 42.7**

### Committee of the Whole

Wasyliw-Barr That the Board recess in Committee of the Whole in

camera at this time. - Carried.

The Board then recessed into the Committee of the

Whole in camera at 8:12 p.m. with Trustee Wasyliw in the Chair.

Upon the Board resuming in public session at 8:25 p.m. Trustee Wasyliw, the Chair of the Committee of the Whole presented the following

recommendations of that Committee.

### 292- Leave of Absence - Without Salary

Wasyliw-Hildahl That the leaves of absence without salary as outlined in the

confidential report dated September 8, 2014 be granted. - Carried.

### 293 - Suspension Report September 2013 to June 2014

Wasyliw-Babinsky That the Suspension Report from September 2013 to June 2014

be received as information.- Carried.

294 - Memorandum of Settlement

The United Association of Journeymen and Apprentices of The Plumbing and Pipe Fitting Industry of The United States and Canada, Local Union No. 254

Wasyliw-Barr

That the amendments to the Collective Agreement with The United Association of Journeymen and Apprentices of the Plumbing and Pipe Fitting Industry of the United States and Canada, Local Union No. 254, as agreed to in the Committee for the period May 1, 2013 to April 22, 2016, be ratified, and that the proper officers of the Division be authorized to execute the Agreement. – Carried

295- Lease Renewal- Mulvey School Coach Program Ndinawe Off-Campus Program

Wasyliw-Ramos

a) That subject to the approval of the Public Schools Finance Board, the proper officers of the Division be authorized to enter into a lease agreement with the Broadway First Baptist Church for the rental of space at 790 Honeyman Avenue for the Mulvey School COACH Program for the period September 1, 2014 to August 31, 2015.— Carried.

Wayliw-Sneesby

b) That subject to the approval of the Public Schools Finance Board, the proper officers of the Division be authorized to enter into an lease agreement with Ndinawe Maaganag Endaawaad Inc. for the lease of property located at 472 Selkirk Avenue for the period August 1, 2014 to July 31, 2015.- Carried.

Trustee Wasyliw, the Chair of the Committee of the Whole reported that there was a discussion regarding Manitoba School Board Association.

# **Notice of Motion**

Notice of Motion given by Trustee Ramos:

That the use of Electronic Vaporizer Devices are not permitted in schools in the Winnipeg School Division.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

| Chair | Secretary-Treasurer |
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Superintendent's Report No. 10-2014

### **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT NO. 10 - 2014**

To the Chair and Members Winnipeg School Board

September 8, 2014

### 1. Accounts List/Summaries of Salaries and Wages

Summaries of salaries and wages paid during the months of June and July 2014, and Accounts List for the months of June and July 2014 have been provided to the trustees.

#### Recommendations:

- (a) That the list of Salaries and Wages paid during the months of June and July 2014, as summarized on Accounts List 2014-06 and 2014-07 be approved and confirmed.
- (b) That the June and July 2014 list of payment of accounts be approved and confirmed.
- 2. "Fresh Start" Project, A Supportive Transition Program for Aboriginal Young Adults Gordon Bell High School 2014/2015

Since the 1998/1999 school year, funding has been provided from Manitoba Education, Citizenship and Youth for the "Fresh Start" program at Gordon Bell High School.

The purpose of this program is to improve the employability skills of seventeen (17) Aboriginal youth who are receiving income assistance and to assist them in securing full-time employment. The activities include literacy, academic development, pre-employment, work training/experience, supported job search and employment. Businesses are also involved in the project. The funding from Manitoba Education will assist in the costs of 1.0 teacher, 1.0 education assistant, 1.0 work experience coordinator and 0.33 clerical positions.

Approval has been received from Manitoba Children and Youth Opportunities, MB4 Youth, to continue the program for 2014/2015 with funding in the amount of \$111,751 (\$111,751 for 2013/2014).

### Recommendation:

That the proper officers of the Division be authorized to enter into an agreement with the Manitoba Children and Youth Opportunities - MB4 Youth for funding in the amount of \$111,751 for the "Fresh Start" Program at Gordon Bell High School for the 2014/2015 school year.

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3. Interdivisional Program for Students with Autism (IPSA)

For several years, the Interdivisional Program for Students with Autism (IPSA) has been operating under the auspices of Manitoba Education (ME) as a provincial program. The program is 80% funded through ME with the balance of costs to be paid by the Division where student resides.

The IPSA programs are located in the Division:

Middle Years - Churchill High School Secondary - Grant Park High School

A program funding agreement in the amount of \$478,079 for the 2014/2015 school year has now been received from the Province for the IPSA programs operating out of Churchill and Grant Park High Schools.

### Recommendation:

That the proper officers of the Division be authorized to enter into a program funding agreement with the Province for the Interdivisional Program for Students with Autism in the amount of \$478,079 for the 2014/15 school year.

- 4. Adult Learning Centres Funding Agreements 2014/2015
  - Kaakiyow li moond Likol (Lord Selkirk Turtle Island Community Centre)
  - River Osborne Community Centre

At a meeting held on February 3, 2014 the Board was advised that proposals in the amounts of \$247,881 for the Kaakiyow li moond likol Turtle Island Community Centre Adult Learning Centre and \$545,424 for the River Osborne Community Centre Adult Learning Centre had been submitted to the Adult Learning and Literacy Branch, Manitoba Advanced Education and Training.

The administration has now been advised that funding in the amounts of \$230,800 for the Kaakiyow li moond Likol -Turtle Island Community Centre Adult Learning Centre and \$525,900 for the River Osborne Adult Learning Centre Program has been approved which includes funding for the Taking Charge! and the New Horizons TERF Program for the 2014/2015 school year.

### Recommendations:

- a) That the proper officers of the Division be authorized to enter into an agreement with Adult Learning and Literacy Branch, Manitoba Advanced Education and Training in the amount of \$230,800 for the operation of an Adult Learning Centre at the Kaakiyow li moond likol -Turtle Island Community Centre for the 2014/2015 school year.
- b) That the proper officers of the Division be authorized to enter into an agreement with Adult Learning and Literacy Branch, Manitoba Advanced Education and Training in the amount of \$525,900 for the operation of an Adult Learning Centre at the River Osborne Community Centre for the 2014/2015 school year.

Respectfully submitted,

P.E. CLARKE Chief Superintendent