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

**APPROVED BY THE
BOARD ON
JANUARY 24, 2011**

Board Room, Administration Building,
Winnipeg, January 10, 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), J. Bateman, C. Collins, K. Barr,
D. Bautista, M. Babinsky, R. Hildahl, A. Ramos, J. Sneesby

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

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Collins-Bateman That the Agenda for the regular meeting of the School Board to be held this evening, January 10, 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 – December 20, 2010 – Carried.

PRESENTATION AND CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

The following reports were considered:

Superintendent's Report No. 1-2011 Dated January 10, 2011

Superintendent's Report No. 1-2011

Bateman-Collins That the recommendation for Clause No. 1a (Accounts List/ Summaries of Salaries and Wages) be approved. – Carried.

Bateman-Babinsky That the recommendation for Clause No. 1b (Accounts List/ Summaries of Salaries and Wages) be approved. – Carried.

Hildahl-Sneesby That the recommendation for Clause No. 2a (Recognition for Special Accomplishments) be approved. – Carried.

Barr-Babinsky That the recommendation for Clause No. 2b (Recognition for Special Accomplishments) be approved. – Carried.

- Ramos-Collins That the recommendation for Clause No. 2c (Recognition for Special Accomplishments) be approved. – Carried.
- Collins-Barr That the recommendation for Clause No. 2d (Recognition for Special Accomplishments) be approved. – Carried.

ENQUIRIES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

70 – Coronary Health Improvement Project (CHIP) Program

Trustee Babinsky informed trustees that he has attended some of the free sessions offered by the Coronary Health Improvement Project (CHIP) and encouraged trustees to attend the free information sessions at the Health and Wellness Centre, Seven Oaks Hospital. Dr. Rex Sokolies has in the past appeared as a delegation to the Board to discuss health issues which are addressed at the CHIP Program free information sessions.

71 – Trustee Babinsky's Trip to Cairo, Egypt

Trustee Babinsky informed trustees that he will be leaving for a trip to Cairo, Egypt on January 11, 2011, and that he will be visiting schools while there. One of the schools follows the Manitoba Provincial curriculum which will enable students who move to Manitoba to enroll directly into University. Trustee Babinsky informed trustees that he was advised by the Board Chair that one of the vice principals of the school was a former staff member of the Winnipeg School Division.

Trustee Babinsky also informed trustees that he spoke with Dr. Mason Omar from the public school system in Cairo regarding a contest for students.

72 – Honour Band

Trustee Sneesby informed trustees that she attended the Winnipeg School Division Honour Band and Choir 2011 with Divisional Guitar Ensemble along with Trustee Hrynyk. Trustee Sneesby informed trustees that this year's concert was excellent. There were two guest conductors, Dr. Wendy McCallum and Dr. Gerard Yun.

Trustee Sneesby also wanted to commend Trish Penner, Performing Arts Consultant in the Division, for her outstanding work each year with the students and informed trustees that they all received a standing ovation.

Trustee Hrynyk also wanted to echo Trustee Sneesby's praise of the concert and how the staff and students, along with Trish Penner work collaboratively for three days to bring this concert together.

73 – Manitoba School Boards Association (MSBA) Regional Meeting

Trustee Hildahl brought to the attention of trustees that the Manitoba School Boards Association Regional meeting is to be held January 22, 2011. Trustee Hildahl is hoping that trustees will be able to review the proposed 2011 MSBA Convention Resolutions either at the current meeting or the Special meeting on January 17, 2011. Also, Trustee Hildahl advised trustees that the importance of maintaining locally elected school boards in Manitoba as well as maintaining local school board taxing authority will be discussed at the MSBA Regional meeting. Trustee Hildahl encouraged trustees to send in their comments to MSBA.

NEW BUSINESS**74 - 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 December 2, 2010, Mark Shenback, Retired Teacher,
a member of our staff for 12 years;

On December 16, 2010, Donald Syryk, Retired Caretaker,
a member of our staff for 15 years;

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

75 – By-Law No. 1180 - THIRD READING
Religious Instruction at John M. King School

Ramos-Hildahl “That By-Law No. 1180, a by-law of The Winnipeg School Division for the purpose of permitting religious instruction at John M. King School, be read a third time in short.” – 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, Hildahl, Ramos, Sneesby	- 6
Nays:	- 0
Abstain: Trustees Bateman, Barr, Hrynyk	- 3

By-Law No. 1180 was then read accordingly.

76 – Plastic Beverage Bottles in Schools

Babinsky-Ramos Motion, notice of which was given at meeting held December 20, 2010 was presented by Trustee Mike Babinsky:

“That the sale of plastic beverage bottles be banned from all Division schools and buildings in alignment with the objectives of the Division's Sustainable Development Plan.”

Bateman-Collins That this matter be referred to Policy/Program Committee for review. – 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 Bateman, Collins, Barr, Bautista, Babinsky, Hildahl, Ramos, Sneesby, Hrynyk	- 9
Nays:	- 0
Abstain:	- 0

77 – Plastic Containers in Schools

Babinsky-Ramos Motion, notice of which was given at meeting held December 20, 2010 was presented by Trustee Mike Babinsky:

“That the Winnipeg School Division encourage all staff and students to eliminate the use of plastic containers in all Division schools and buildings.”

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

78 - Refundable – Plastics

Babinsky-Ramos Motion, notice of which was given at meeting held December 20, 2010 was presented by Trustee Mike Babinsky:

“That the Chair of the Board of Trustees write a letter requesting that the City of Winnipeg and/or the Province of Manitoba establish a Plastic Beverage Container Collection and Recycling Program with a refundable deposit to consumers to encourage the recycling of plastic beverage containers.”

Bateman-Barr That this matter be referred to Policy/Program Committee for review. – 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 Bateman, Collins, Barr, Bautista, Babinsky, Hildahl, Ramos, Sneesby, Hrynyk	- 9
Nays:		- 0
Abstain:		- 0

AGENDA INFORMATION ITEMS

Bautista-Bateman That Information Correspondence No. IC01-11 – IC06-11 be received as information. – Carried.

Bautista-Sneesby That Superintendent’s Information Report No.1-2011 be received as information. – Carried.

BUSINESS MATTERS AS DEFINED IN RULE 41.4

Committee of the Whole

Barr-Ramos 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 7:50 p.m. with Trustee Barr, Vice Chair.

Upon the Board resuming in public session at 8:30 p.m., Trustee Barr, Vice Chair of the Committee of the Whole presented the following recommendation of that Committee:

79 - Leaves of Absence – Without Salary

Barr-Babinsky That the leaves of absence without salary as outlined in the confidential report dated January 10, 2011 be granted. – Carried.

80 - Suspension Report – November 2010

Barr-Ramos That the Suspension Report for November 2010 be received as information. – Carried.

81 - MSBA – Presentation To Members Of The NDP Caucus

Barr-Ramos That the Suspension Report for November 2010 be received as information. – Carried.

Trustee Barr informed the Board that the Committee of the Whole had received a Verbal Report regarding the Manitoba Schools Board Association, including the upcoming MSBA Regional Meeting and the NDP Caucus.

Committee of the Whole

Bateman-Ramos That the Board recess in Committee of the Whole in closed camera at this time. – Carried.

The Board then recessed into Committee of the Whole in camera at 8:35 p.m. with the Chief Superintendent, Secretary-Treasurer and Director of Human Resources in attendance.

Upon the Board resuming in public session at 9:45 p.m., Trustee Barr, the Chair of the Committee of the Whole, reported that there was a discussion regarding personnel matters.

The meeting adjourned at 9:48 p.m.

Chair

Secretary-Treasurer