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

**APPROVED BY THE
BOARD ON
APRIL 16, 2012**

Board Room, Administration Building,
Winnipeg, March 19, 2012.

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

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

Regrets: Trustee Sneesby

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Barr-Hrynyk That the Agenda for the regular meeting of the School Board to be held
this evening, March 19, 2012, be approved.

Babinsky-Hrynyk 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:

Ramos-Bautista Regular Meeting – March 5, 2012

Babinsky-Ramos Special Meeting – March 12, 2012

PRESENTATION AND CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

The following reports were considered:

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| Superintendent's Report No. 4-2012 | Dated March 19, 2012 |
| Public Relations/Communications Committee Report No. 1-2012 | Dated March 6, 2012 |
| Children's Heritage Fund Committee Report No. 2-2012 | Dated March 6, 2012 |
| Pension Committee Report No. 2-2012 | Dated March 7, 2012 |
| WSD/Winnipeg Police Services Joint Committee Report No. 1-2012 | Dated March 13, 2012 |

Superintendent's Report No. 4-2012

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| Barr-Collins | That Clause No. 1a (Accounts List/Summaries of Salaries and Wages) be approved. - Carried. |
| Barr-Collins | That Clause No. 1b (Various Schools (Accounts List/Summaries of Salaries and Wages) – Science Lab Renovations) be approved. - Carried. |
| Babinsky-Hrynyk | That Clause No. 2 (Children Of The Earth School – Lighting Upgrade) be approved. - Carried. |
| Hrynyk-Bautista | That Clause No. 3 (2012 Summer Session) be approved. - Carried. |
| Barr-Wasyliw | That Clause No. 4 (Adult English as an Additional Language (EAL Program Funding - 2012/2013) be approved. - Carried. |
| Bautista-Ramos | That Clause No. 5 (Front Load Recycling & Waste Containers) be approved. - Carried. |

Public Relations/Communications Committee Report No. 1-2012

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| Collins-Bautista | That the Public Relations/Communications Committee Report No. 1-2012 be received. – Carried. |
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Children's Heritage Fund Committee Report No. 2-2012

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| Collins-Ramos | That the Children's Heritage Fund Committee Report No. 2-2012 be received. – Carried. |
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Pension Committee Report No. 2-2012

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| Collins-Bautista | That the Pension Committee Report No. 2-2012 be received. – Carried. |
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WSD/Winnipeg Police Services Joint Committee Report No. 1-2012

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| Collins-Babinsky | That the WSD/Winnipeg Police Services Joint Committee Report No. 1-2012 be received. – Carried. |
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ENQUIRIES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

150 – Trustee Apology

Trustee Wasyliw requested an opportunity to address an issue regarding an interview by a Free Press reporter in relation to an incident in the River Heights community. During the course of that interview, Trustee Wasyliw used an illustration and named St. John's High School in that interview. Trustee Wasyliw informed trustees that his comments were insensitive and ill advised and he realized that he was playing into certain stereotypes and he deeply regrets making them. He apologized to the people in the gallery and to his fellow colleagues.

Trustee Bautista informed trustees that she wanted to thank Trustee Wasyliw for his remarks. As a former graduate of St. John's, she takes great pride in the school and community. Trustee Bautista suggested that the next step is to get past this incident and to unite for the students in the school and communities of the Winnipeg School Division. Trustee Bautista invited Trustee Wasyliw to a barbeque proposed at St. John's High School as part of the healing process.

151 – Manitoba School Boards Association Annual Convention

Trustee Hrynyk informed trustees that she had the pleasure of attending the Manitoba School Boards Association Annual Convention on Friday with Trustees Hildahl, Bautista and Collins. Trustee Hrynyk advised trustees that she attended an excellent presentation hosted by Apprenticeship Manitoba. The presentation included not only teachers working in the apprenticeship program but a student who was a very good student academically but was very interested in welding. It was unfortunate that she was apparently discouraged to go into welding and was encouraged to go into the academic stream of studies. She has since received her level one apprenticeship as a welder and is now a red seal welder. Trustee Hrynyk informed trustees that she wanted to stress that the Division utilize Apprenticeship Manitoba in our high schools. In response to Trustee Hrynyk's comments, the Chief Superintendent informed trustees that the Division has hired a support staff member for apprenticeship programs and he along with senior administration have been in discussion and collaborating with Apprenticeship Manitoba.

152 – Quantum Arts Program

Trustee Collins informed trustees that she brought greetings on behalf of the Winnipeg School Division at the Quantum Arts Program finale. Trustee Collins spoke on the importance of art in any form to a full auditorium. This finale highlighted works created by students in the Quantum Arts Program, hosted by the Winnipeg Art Gallery, Royal Winnipeg Ballet School (Recreational Division) and Prairie Theatre Exchange.

NEW BUSINESS

153 - 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 February 27, 2012, Mary Blakey, Retired Educational Assistant, a member of our staff for 22 years;

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

154 - By-Law No. 1197 – SECOND & FINAL READING
DEBENTURE BORROWING - \$1,865,000.00

Barr-Collins (a) "That By-Law No. 1197, a by-law of the Winnipeg School Division for the purpose of borrowing ONE MILLION EIGHT HUNDRED SIXTY FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$1,865,000.00) for certain building projects and issuing debentures therefor, be read a second time in short."

(By-Law No. 1197 then read accordingly.)

Barr-Collins (b) "That the rules be suspended in order for By-law No. 1197 to be read a third time." - Carried.

Barr-Collins (c) "That By-law No. 1197 a by-law of the Winnipeg School Division, be read a third time in short and passed." - Carried.

(By-law No. 1197 then read accordingly.).

155 - Policy IICA – Field Trips & Excursions

Babinsky-Ramos Motion, notice of which was given by Trustee Babinsky on March 5, 2012:

"That Policy IICA – Field Trips & Excursions be referred to Policy/Program Committee for review." – Carried.

AGENDA INFORMATION ITEMS

Wasyliw-Barr That Superintendent's Information Report No.2-2012 be received as information. – Carried.

BUSINESS MATTERS AS DEFINED IN RULE 40.3

Committee of the Whole

Ramos-Hrynyk 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 7:30 p.m. with Trustee Ramos in the Chair.

Upon the Board resuming in public session at 9:02 p.m., Trustee Ramos, the Chair of the Committee of the Whole presented the following recommendations of that Committee:

156 – Leaves of Absence – Without Salary

Ramos-Wasyliw That the leaves of absence without salary as outlined in the confidential report dated March 19, 2012 be granted. – Carried.

157 – Adult English As An Additional Language (EAL) Program
- 686 Portage Avenue - Lease Renewal

Ramos-Hrynyk That subject to the approval of the Public Schools Finance Board, the proper officers of the Division be authorized to enter into a lease renewal agreement for the Adult EAL literacy and workplace program site located at 686 Portage Avenue for the period ending March 31, 2013. – Carried.

158 – Administrative Appointment - Principal, Daniel McIntyre Collegiate Institute

Ramos-Barr That effective September 4, 2012 Lorne Belmore be appointed to the position of Principal at Daniel McIntyre Collegiate Institute. – Carried.

159 – Trustee Censure

The following Motions were presented during the meeting by Trustee Babinsky:

Ramos-Babinsky “That the Winnipeg School Division Board of Trustees request Trustee Mark Wasyliw to issue a public apology to all the people of Winnipeg's North End Community and also to all the students, parents and staff of St.John's High School in regards to his comments that were published in the Winnipeg Free Press on Saturday, March 17, 2012 regarding the incident in the River Heights Community.” - Withdrawn.

Ramos-Hrynyk “That the Winnipeg School Division Board of Trustees formally censure Trustee Mark Wasyliw for his comments that were published in the Winnipeg Free Press on Saturday, March 17, 2012 regarding the incident in the River Heights Community.” - Carried.

Trustee Ramos, the Chair of the Committee of the Whole reported that there was a discussion regarding MSBA 2012 Convention Resolutions, and direction was provided regarding the French Immersion Program at École George V School.

NOTICES OF MOTION

160 - Meeting with Premier of Manitoba, Honourable Greg Selinger

The following Notices of Motion was presented during the meeting by Trustee Ramos:

“That the Board of Trustees meet with the Honourable Greg Selinger, Premier of Manitoba to review and discuss funding and use of facilities for Special Needs Students in the Winnipeg School Division.”

“That the Board of Trustees meet with the Honourable Greg Selinger, Premier of Manitoba to discuss the restoration of schools and facility use and projections for future students in the Northwest quadrant, specifically the Sisler catchment area.”

The Meeting adjourned at 9:06 p.m.

Chair

Secretary-Treasurer