

Regina, Saskatchewan
December 8, 2009

At a meeting of the Board of Education of the Regina School Division No. 4 of Saskatchewan, held at 1600 4th Avenue.

Members Present
Dr. Barbara Young, Chair
Mrs. Angela Fraser, Vice-Chair
Mrs. Cindy Anderson
Ms. Carla Beck
Mrs. Katherine Gagne
Mr. Tim Stobbs
Mr. Dale West

Administration Present
Mr. Don Hoium, Director of Education
Ms. Debra Burnett, Deputy Director, Division Services, & Secretary-Treasurer
Mr. Ross Brown, Deputy Director, Instruction and School Services

The Chairperson called the meeting to order and asked for a motion to adopt the agenda. It was requested that the following items be added: *High School Musical* and *First Nations School Board*.

Adoption of Agenda
Motion by Mrs. C. Anderson:

That, with the additions requested, the agenda be adopted.

Motion Carried.

Approving of Minutes
The Chairperson then asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting held on November 17, 2009.

Motion by Mrs. C. Anderson:

That the minutes of the Board meeting of November 17, 2009, be approved as distributed.

Motion Carried.

Strategic Planning Committee
Mr. T. Stobbs provided a brief summary of discussions held at the Strategic Planning Committee meeting on December 3, 2009, noting that the Committee recommended approval of the 2008-09 Continuous Improvement Report that would be presented later in the meeting.

School Area Presentation Summary
Mr. Don Hoium, Director of Education, provided a summary of his presentation at recent school area meetings relative to the Division's Instructional Strengths, Challenges, Student Results and Future Directions. He highlighted the context of the Division's results in key skill areas compared to other provinces, outlined outcomes in literacy and numeracy, and summarized current actions to support improvement in these areas. Mr. Hoium responded to questions from Board members relative to other areas of study and the frequency of conducting such school area meetings.

Chair	S/T

Continuous Improvement Report 2008-09

The Continuous Improvement Report 2008-09: Reporting on Student Success had been distributed. Mr. Don Hoium, Director of Education, Mr. Ross Brown, Deputy Director, Instruction and School Services, Mr. Mike Walter, Superintendent, Instruction and School Services, and Mr. Terry Lazarou, Supervisor, Communications, reported on implementation and key actions, measures of progress and plans for improvement in each of the three priority areas of Higher Literacy and Achievement, Equitable Opportunities and Outcomes for All, and Smooth Transitions into and through the System. Ms. Debra Burnett, Deputy Director, Division Services, Mr. Bruce Lipinski, Superintendent, Business Affairs, and Mr. Mark Whiting, Manager, Policy, Planning and Research, reported on implementation and key actions, measures of progress and plans for improvement in the priority area of Governance, Facilities and Accountability. Board members expressed appreciation for the hard work and dedication demonstrated in the ongoing implementation of the plan.

Motion by Mr. T. Stobbs:

That the Continuous Improvement Report 2008-09: Reporting on Student Success be approved as presented.

Motion Carried.

High School Musical

Mrs. A. Fraser advised that she had recently attended the high school musical, *Oliver!*, at Winston Knoll Collegiate, and congratulated the staff and cast of 130 participating students on an entertaining production.

Closed Session

Motion by Mr. D. West:

That we go into closed session.

Motion Carried.

Motion by Mrs. A. Fraser:

That we rise and report.

Motion Carried.

At the conclusion of closed session, the Committee of the Whole recommended to the Board:

Meeting Adjournment Time

1) That the December 8, 2009, Board meeting be authorized to continue beyond the 9:30 p.m. presumptive adjournment time.

Motion by Mr. D. West:

That recommendation No. 1 (above) from the Committee of the Whole be approved.

Motion Carried.

Chair	S/T

At the conclusion of closed session, the Committee of the Whole reported progress with respect to consideration of *Saskatchewan School Boards Association Overview*, *Public Section Overview*, *10-Year Renewal Plan Status Report*, and *Personnel Matter*. It was agreed that consideration of item 9(b), *Board Process*, and item 11(a), *First Nations School Board*, be deferred to the January 12, 2010, Board meeting. The progress reports were accepted.

Adjournment The Chairperson advised that this concluded the business of the meeting and called for a motion to adjourn.

Motion by Mr. T. Stobbs:

That the meeting adjourn.

Motion Carried.

Time of meeting: 7:00 to 10:28 p.m.

Chairperson

Secretary-Treasurer