

Regina, Saskatchewan
April 27, 2010

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: *Announcement* and *SSBA Board Development Advisory Committee*.

Adoption of Agenda Motion by Mrs. A. Fraser:

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 April 13, 2010.

Motion by Mrs. C. Anderson:

That the minutes of the Board meeting of April 13, 2010, be approved as distributed.

Motion Carried.

Structural Innovation School Presentation Mr. Blair Gullickson, Principal, and Ms. Joan Sabo, Vice-Principal, provided an overview of the structural innovation model at W. S. Hawrylak School for the 2009-10 school year. Mr. Gullickson outlined the three-year implementation plan, and noted the key focus on inquiry-based learning, including individual, class-based and school-wide inquires, common language and practices, and the utilization of technology. Ms. Sabo highlighted flexible groupings, including a math lab, guided reading groups, writing and literature circles, gender-based health and physical education classes, and groupings within classrooms. Mr. Gullickson noted the role of technology in enhanced learning, with the use of Smart Boards, Skype, and computer carts, and plans to introduce an iPod Touch pilot in the 2010-11 school year. Ms. Sabo emphasized the importance of teacher collaboration and team teaching, including block timetabling, paired teacher preparation times, dedicated staff meeting time to grade leveled learning groups, and teacher moderation and discussion of assessment data. Mr. Gullickson concluded by reflecting on inclusive practices, encompassing the on-going implementation of the Intervention First model, intensive EAL

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support, enhanced First Nations and Métis content, adoption of language and practices for self-regulation, and meeting the individual learning needs of students. Mr. Gullickson and Ms. Sabo responded to questions relative to common preparation times, student achievement in gendered classes, and parent engagement. Board members expressed appreciation for the presentation.

Public Presentation

The Board received a presentation from Ms. Patricia Elliott, Mr. Rene Dumont and Mr. Rick Hesch relative to the “Advocating for Our Children, Our Schools and Our Communities” Workshop held in Regina on March 14, 2010. Ms. Elliott noted that 30 people had attended the workshop, and provided a report on the main issues that emerged therefrom. Clarification relative to student assessment concepts and procedures was provided. Board members expressed appreciation for the presentation and Mr. Don Hoium, Director of Education, welcomed further discussion with him personally on many of the issues raised.

2010 Annual Meeting Agenda

A draft copy of the agenda for the May 11, 2010, Annual Meeting had been distributed.

Motion by Mr. D. West:

That the draft agenda for the Annual Meeting of Electors of the Board of Education of the Regina School Division No. 4 of Saskatchewan, to be held at 7:00 p.m. on May 11, 2010, at the Regina Public School Board Office, 1600 4th Avenue, Regina, be approved.

Motion Carried.

Facilities: SaskPower Utility Easement

A request from SaskPower regarding execution of an easement agreement relative to the Arcola School property had been distributed. Ms. Debra Burnett, Deputy Director, Division Services, provided additional information.

Motion by Mr. T. Stobbs:

That the Board of Education of the Regina School Division No. 4 of Saskatchewan authorize execution of the Utility Easement with SaskPower relative to the Arcola School property.

Motion Carried.

2008-09 Continuous Improvement Report Brochure

The 2008-09 Continuous Improvement Report Brochure, that will be distributed at the Annual General Meeting, had been distributed for information only.

Announcement

Ms. C. Beck advised Board members that the Grade 10 Students from the Scott Collegiate Hip Hop Project were hosting a free public event at The Exchange on April 28, 2010, from 7:00-9:00 p.m.

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Closed Session

Motion by Mrs. C. Anderson:

That we go into closed session.

Motion Carried.

Motion by Mr. D. West:

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 April 27, 2010, Board meeting be authorized to continue beyond the 9:30 p.m. presumptive adjournment time.

Motion by Mrs. C. Anderson:

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

Motion Carried.

At the conclusion of closed session, the Committee of the Whole reported progress with respect to consideration of *Long Service Dinner 2010 Draft Program, Renewal Discussion* and *SSBA Board Development Advisory Committee*. 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 Mrs. A. Fraser:

That the meeting adjourn.

Motion Carried.

Time of meeting: 7:00 to 9:48 p.m.

Chairperson

Secretary-Treasurer