

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. Katherine Gagne, Vice-Chair Mrs. Cindy Anderson Ms. Carla Beck	Mrs. Angela Fraser Mr. Tim Stobbs Mr. Dale West
Administration Present	Ms. Julie MacRae, Director of Education Ms. Debra Burnett, Deputy Director, Division Services, & Secretary-Treasurer Mr. Mike Walter, 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: *Haultain School* and *Future Agenda Items*.

Adoption of Agenda Motion by Mr. D. West:

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 September 20, 2011.

Motion by Mrs. A. Fraser:

That the minutes of the Board meeting of September 20, 2011, be approved as distributed.

Motion Carried.

Gawhar Shad Initiative Information relative to the Afghan Institute of Learning (AIL), Canadians in Support of AIL (SCAIL) and the Gawhar Shad Initiative had been distributed. Ms. Rita Priestley with the Edwards School of Business at the University of Saskatchewan, introduced the AIL guests in attendance, including Ms. Betty-Ann Heggie of the Betty-Ann Heggie Womentorship Program, four AIL master teacher trainers, an interpreter, and Dr. Sakena Yacoobi, Founder and Executive Director of AIL. Dr. Yacoobi expressed appreciation for the opportunity to present to the Board. She provided background information on AIL, and shared how AIL has played a significant role in reconstructing Afghan society through the operation of 38 learning centres and four health clinics in Afghanistan and Pakistan that serve 350,000 women and girls annually. Dr. Yacoobi responded to questions from Board members relative to the gender of individuals benefitting from the educational and health-care components of her programs, funding and support details. Board members expressed appreciation for the presentation.

Chair	S/T

Community Relations Committee

Mrs. A. Fraser provided a summary of the Community Relations Committee meeting held September 26, 2011, highlighting the plan to hold rotational meetings in all seven subdivisions for School Community Councils (SCCs) and parents, commencing in 2012, as well as a large group SCC function in the 2011-12 school year. She noted that principals are to ensure the involvement of the SCCs in the development of the Learning Improvements Plans, and that, at a future principals' meeting, the topic will be discussed and best practices shared. She advised that the structure of board standing committees would be added to a future Board meeting agenda to discuss a potential overlap in committee roles. Mrs. Fraser concluded her comments by noting that a Trustee/High School Leaders Engagement Session will be scheduled for after January 15, 2012, and that Mr. Darren Boldt, Superintendent, Instruction and School Services, would be preparing and presenting to the Board a formal report on the 2010-11 Session.

Submission of Bylaw Amendments and Resolutions for the 2011 SSBA Annual General Meeting

Information relative to the submission of bylaw amendments and resolutions for the 2011 Saskatchewan School Boards Association Annual General Meeting had been distributed. Dr. B. Young noted the deadlines for submission.

B-5 Facilities Plan Application

Information regarding a proposed Five-Year Proposed Capital Requests Application had been distributed. Ms. Debra Burnett, Deputy Director, Division Services, reminded Board members that the Ministry of Education requests boards to submit five-year construction plans in order to analyze and prioritize major capital project funding requests on a provincial basis. She responded to questions relative to the incorporation into the B-5 application of a Proposed Shared High School/Community Development Facility in Southeast Regina (formerly identified as the Balfour Collegiate Project), and the possible impact of the pending High School Facility Study. It was noted that the school merger projects identified would be dependent upon future Board decisions.

Motion by Mrs. K. Gagne:

That submission of the B-5 application and associated B-1 documentation to the Ministry of Education, as indicated, be authorized.

Motion Carried.

Closed Session

Motion by Mrs. A. Fraser:

That we go into closed session.

Motion Carried.

Motion by Mr. T. Stobbs:

That we rise and report.

Motion Carried.

Chair	S/T

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

Meeting
Adjournment
Time

- 1) That the October 4, 2011, 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.

At the conclusion of closed session, the Committee of the Whole reported progress with respect to consideration of *SSBA Resolutions and Policy Development Committee—Request for Feedback from Boards of Education, Proposed Date for Joint Meeting with Regina Catholic Board of Education, Provincial Bargaining, Future Agenda Items, and Haultain School*. 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. C. Anderson:

That the meeting adjourn.

Motion Carried.

Time of meeting: 7:00 to 9:49 p.m.

Chairperson

Secretary-Treasurer