

Regina, Saskatchewan
October 18, 2011

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: *Community Leaders Advisory Committee* and *Educational Relations 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 October 4, 2011.

Motion by Mrs. A. Fraser:
That the minutes of the Board meeting of October 4, 2011, be approved as distributed.

Motion Carried.

SSBA 2011 Annual General Meeting: Appointment of Voting Delegates and Vote Distribution Information regarding the appointment of voting delegates and distribution of votes for the Saskatchewan School Boards Association 2011 Annual General Meeting had been distributed.
Motion by Mr. D. West:
That Mrs. C. Anderson, Mrs. A. Fraser, Mrs. K. Gagne, Mr. T. Stobbs, Mr. D. West, and Dr. B. Young be appointed as voting delegates to the Annual General Meeting of the Saskatchewan School Boards Association to be held November 28-29, 2011, in Saskatoon.

Motion Carried.

Chair	S/T

Motion by Mr. D. West:

That, in accordance with the established formula, the 51 vote allocation to be cast on behalf of the Board at the 2011 Saskatchewan School Boards Association Annual General Meeting be allocated as follows:

- Dr. B. Young – 9 votes;
- Mr. D. West – 9 votes;
- Mr. T. Stobbs – 9 votes;
- Mrs. K. Gagne – 8 votes;
- Mrs. A. Fraser – 8 votes;
- Mrs. C. Anderson – 8 votes;

and that, as a matter of policy, if for some reason the number of Board members attending the general assembly is less than the number specified, the total available votes be divided among members in attendance as evenly as possible, as determined by the Chairperson, in order to ensure that the Board’s entire voting allotment can be cast.

Motion Carried.

SSBA 2011 Annual General Meeting Resolutions Information outlining the process for submission of Annual General Meeting resolutions had been distributed at the October 4, 2011, Board meeting. It was noted that no resolutions had been proposed for submission to this year’s Annual General Meeting.

Student Enrolment Report Information relative to 2011-12 Student Enrolment had been distributed. Ms. Julie MacRae, Director of Education, also provided an enrolment breakdown by school, as requested by a Board member. Mr. Mike Walter, Deputy Director, Instruction and School Services, provided additional information, including actual enrolment comparisons from 2006-07 through 2011-12. Mr. Walter noted the actual enrolment, as of September 30, 2011, was 20,586 students. He outlined that, of this total, 96 high school students were enrolled in more than one program and that 39 students were 22 years of age or older and pay tuition fees. As a result, total enrolment for funding purposes is 20,451 students. Mr. Mark Whiting, Manager, Policy, Planning and Research, provided information on enrolment trends. Mr. Walter and Mr. Whiting responded to questions relative to the monitoring of trends and availability of pre-kindergarten spaces. Board members expressed appreciation for the report.

Aboriginal Education Information relative to Aboriginal Education programming and progress had been distributed. Mr. Mike Walter, Deputy Director, Instruction and School Services, and Mr. Calvin Racette, Aboriginal Education Coordinator, provided additional information, highlighting the Elders-in-Residence Program, the Indigenous Studies Program, Treaty Education, School Goals, and the Holistic Assessment Framework in partnership with three other school divisions. Mr. Racette outlined increases in First Nations and Métis enrolment numbers and graduation rates. Mr. Walter and Mr. Racette responded to questions from Board members relative to the reallocation of Elders to fewer schools, student self-identification, family and community engagement, and program funding. Board members expressed appreciation for the report.

Chair	S/T

2012-13 School Year Calendar (Revised) On behalf of the School Year Calendar Joint Committee, Mr. Mike Walter, Deputy Director, Instruction and School Services, presented a revised calendar for the 2012-13 school year. Mr. Walter noted a change in March, 2013, to allow for the Regina Public School Teachers' Association Teacher Convention.

Motion by Mrs. C. Anderson:

That the revised 2012-2013 school year calendar for Regina Public Schools be approved as presented, subject to the declaration of the Minister of Education of the number of school days in the 2012-2013 school year.

Motion Carried.

Community Leaders Advisory Committee Mr. D. West advised Board members that the Community Leaders Advisory Committee had recently met and the focus of discussion was the City's new recycling program. He advised that plans are to distribute blue recycling bins in the near future, and that the large alley garbage bins would be phased out.

Closed Session Motion by Mr. D. West:

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 October 18, 2011, Board meeting be authorized to continue beyond the 9:30 p.m. presumptive adjournment time.

SSBA: Public Section 2) That an allocation of \$1.50 per pupil in support of Public Section, Saskatchewan School Boards Association, be approved for the purpose of replenishing the litigation fund.

3) That the immediately preceding motion be tabled for consideration at the second meeting in November, 2011.

Motion by Mr. D. West:

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

Motion Carried.

Chair	S/T

Motion by Mr. D. West:

That recommendation No. 2 (above) from the Committee of the Whole be approved.

Motion by Mrs. K. Gagne:

That recommendation No. 3 (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 Executive Director Report, Communications Workshop, Possible Attendance Area Mergers Consultation Process, Committee Structure, and Educational Relations Board*. 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