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

Members Present Mrs. Katherine Gagne, Chair Ms. Carla Beck, Vice-Chair Mrs. Cindy Anderson

Mr. Dale West Miss Aleana Young

Dr. Kathleen O'Reilly

Dr. Jane Ekong

Administration

Ms. Julie MacRae, Director of Education

Present

Ms. Debra Burnett, Deputy Director, Division Services, & Secretary-Treasurer

Mr. Greg Enion, Deputy Director, Student Achievement Mr. Mike Walter, Deputy Director, 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: *Congratulations*, *Southeast Community Development Project Update*, *Personal Update*, and *Request from CUPE Local 3766*.

Adoption of Agenda

Motion by Dr. J. Ekong:

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 9, 2013.

Motion by Miss A. Young:

That the minutes of the Board meeting of April 9, 2013, be approved as distributed.

Motion Carried.

Community Relations Committee Miss A. Young provided a brief summary of the Community Relations Committee meeting held April 16, 2013. She highlighted the success of the School Community Council Forum held at Douglas Park School on January 15, 2013, and noted that the next forum is being planned for October, 2013. She advised that the Board and Student Forum has been scheduled for the morning of Thursday, May 23, 2013, and will include students from Grades 7 through 10, with a focus on transitioning from elementary to high school. Miss Young concluded by noting that a discussion on promoting positive events within the Division had also taken place.

Audit and Policy Review Committee Mr. D. West provided a summary of the Audit and Policy Review Committee meeting held April 23, 2013, noting a discussion relative to compliance matters, including the results of the March 31, 2013, subsequent events audit. He highlighted the proposed 2012-13 Audit Service Plan submitted by Meyers

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Norris Penny LLP, and the draft Audit Involvement Memorandum provided by the Provincial Auditor. It was further reported that the Second Quarter Financial Results were reviewed with the Committee and that same were also included in the Board meeting agenda materials.

#### Motion by Ms. C. Beck:

That the proposed 2012-13 Audit Service Plan submitted by Meyers Norris Penny LLP, be approved, subject to finalization of the scope and cost of the IT Control Assessment.

Motion Carried.

Grades 4-6 Student Achievement Update

Ms. Starla Nistor, Superintendent, Student Achievement, provided an update on Grades 4-6 student achievement. Ms. Nistor highlighted Reading Assessment District (RAD) pre-assessment results, Diagnostic Numeracy Assessment preand post-assessment results, Grade 5 Canadian Achievement Test 4 (CAT-4) results in reading, mathematics, and computation and estimation, and Grade 5 AFL Writing results. She advised that she had the opportunity to speak with many Grades 4-6 teachers last Fall to better understand their work, to ask questions, to capture what was working well, to determine how the Division could support their work, and to celebrate successes within their classrooms. She provided a general overview of her findings and reflections from these meetings. It was discovered that, consistently, teachers wanted easy access to resources to improve practice and address outcomes in subjects and grades. In response to this stated desire, and with the assistance of Mr. Stuart Harris, Engagement and Transitions Coordinator, RPSConnectED was created, a Division-based blog designed to share knowledge, expertise and skills of teachers in the Division. She concluded with the presentation of a video blog, prepared by Ms. Mona Ruecker, School-based Consultant. Ms. Nistor responded to a question relative to the public availability of the blog. Board members expressed appreciation for the presentation.

Rescheduling June 11, 2013, **Board Meeting**  In view of conflicting commitments, consideration was given to rescheduling the June 11, 2013, Board meeting.

## Motion by Miss A. Young:

That the Board meeting scheduled for Tuesday, June 11, 2013, be cancelled and that instead, a Board meeting be scheduled for Tuesday, June 18, 2013, commencing at 7:00 p.m., to be held at the Regina Public School Board Office, 1600 4th Avenue, Regina.

Motion Carried.

Meeting

SHSAA Annual Mr. D. West advised Board members of the upcoming SHSAA Annual Meeting and the established practice of rotating with the Regina Catholic School Board in designating a representative to attend same. Mr. West noted his availability to attend the meeting.

### Motion by Mrs. C. Anderson:

That Mr. D. West be authorized to attend and represent Regina Public Schools at the SHSAA Annual Meeting to be held June 18-21, 2013, in Nipawin, SK.

Motion Carried.

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#### Congratulations

Mr. D. West advised that the Thom Collegiate Vocal Jazz Ensemble performed at the Saskatchewan School Boards Association Spring Assembly on the morning of April 12, 2013. He extended congratulations to the students and their leader for a fantastic musical interlude.

## Closed Session

# Motion by Miss A. Young:

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:

## **Properties**

1) That the proposal to purchase submitted by Habitat for Humanity Regina, relative to the Haultain School site (1055 Edgar Street, Regina), be accepted subject to approval by the Ministry of Education and conclusion of a satisfactory sales agreement.

## Meeting Adjournment Time

2) That the April 30, 3013, Board meeting be authorized to continue beyond the 10:00 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.

### Motion by Mr. D. West:

That recommendation No. 2 (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 *Audit and Policy Review Committee*, *Public Section Update*, *Properties*, *Meetings with Minister of Education*, *School Boards/City Council Liaison Committee Meeting*, *Provincial Auditor's Governance Survey*, *Southeast Community Development Project Update*, *Request from CUPE Local 3766*, *Personal Update*, and *Board Self-Evaluation/Director Evaluation*. The progress reports were accepted.

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Adjournment	The Chairperson advised that this co- called for a motion to adjourn.	oncluded the business of the meeting and
	Motion by Dr. J. Ekong:	
	That the meeting adjourn.	
		Motion Carried.
	Time of meeting: 7:00 to 10:37 p.m	
	Chairperson	Secretary-Treasurer