

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 Mr. Dale West, Vice-Chair Mrs. Cindy Anderson Ms. Carla Beck	Dr. Jane Ekong Dr. Kathleen O'Reilly Miss Aleana Young
Administration Present	Mr. Greg Enion, Director of Education Ms. Debra Burnett, Deputy Director, Division Services, & Secretary-Treasurer Mr. Darren Boldt, 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.		
Adoption of Agenda	<u>Motion by Miss A. Young:</u> That the agenda be adopted as prepared. Motion Carried.	
Approving of Minutes	The Chairperson then asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting held on December 15, 2015. It was noted that Ms. Beck did not attend the classroom libraries launch at Kitchener Community School as outlined on page 2; she only reported on it. <u>Motion by Mrs. C. Anderson:</u> That the minutes of the Board meeting of December 15, 2015, be approved as amended. Motion Carried.	
Community Heroes Calendar Project	Information regarding the Community Heroes Calendar Project at Seven Stones Community School had been distributed. Principal Jay Fladager provided the Board members with copies of the calendar, and outlined initial staff discussions regarding increasing family and community engagement, and opportunities to shift the focus of events, such as holding an “Honouring Parents Night” rather than a “Meet the Teacher Night.” This then developed into the calendar project. Teacher Jason Howse summarized the process of creating the calendar, highlighting the nomination process, the conducting of nominee interviews by students, and the writing of honouree descriptions by students. He noted that the project was a great overall learning opportunity for students. He expressed appreciation to the Division’s Communication and Printing Departments as well as the photographers, and advised that the calendars were sold for \$5 each, with the proceeds being applied towards family literacy events hosted by the school. Teacher Alison Kimbley commented on the calendar launch event, where the	

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honourees were recognized by the students and presented with the first copies of the calendar as well as copies of their photos. She noted that the event was a moment of pride for students, nominees and the community. Vice-Principal Sherry Reavley expanded on the benefits of the project in terms of increased engagement and noted that they are planning to produce a calendar annually. Mr. Fladager responded to a question relative to School Community Council involvement. Board members expressed appreciation for the unique and innovative initiative.

Electoral
Boundaries

Information regarding a review of the electoral boundaries had been distributed. Mr. Mark Whiting, Supervisor, Policy, Planning and Research, provided additional information, noting that the City of Regina, in 2015, completed its ward boundary review and inquired about changes to school subdivision boundaries for the 2016 municipal election in order to complete its Polling Area Review. He advised that a review was undertaken in June and September, 2015, with the Administration directed to work with the City to formalize Trustee subdivision boundaries based upon civic polling areas. He observed that, after working with the City, there is less variance in the proposed subdivisions and that the new boundaries follow the majority of polling areas, with a major improvement in reducing the areas of overlap between subdivision, ward and polling area boundaries. He further advised that, once approved by the Board, the information will be forwarded to the Ministry of Education for approval and a ministerial order.

Motion by Mrs. C. Anderson:

That the proposed electoral subdivision boundaries be approved as presented and that the Administration prepare the necessary application to the Minister of Education requesting boundary changes and advise the City of Regina of the proposed subdivision changes.

Motion Carried.

Annual Meeting
of Electors

The proposed agenda for the Annual Meeting of Electors had been distributed. As advised at the November 24, 2015 Board meeting, Mrs. K. Gagne noted that Martin Collegiate would be the location for this year’s meeting. It was further noted that, as per Subsection 97(4) of *The Education Act, 1995*, the proposed agenda was circulated to the School Community Council Chairs on December 3, 2015, for input and, to date, no suggested changes to the agenda have been received.

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 January 26, 2016, at Martin Collegiate, 1100 McIntosh Street, Regina, be approved.

Motion Carried.

International
Baccalaureate
(IB) Program

Information regarding the review of the International Baccalaureate (IB) Program had been distributed. Mr. Darren Boldt, Deputy Director, Student Achievement, reminded Board members that undertaking this review was cited in the High School Strategy, introduced in February 2014, and that the review focussed on the feasibility and sustainability of the current IB and Advanced

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Placement (AP) programs within the School Division, and on the provision of enriched programming opportunities for all high school students. He summarized the feedback obtained through consultations with students, families, staff, and administration, as well as a review of past and present enrolment data and the costs associated with offering IB and AP. Mr. Boldt further outlined the benefits and limitations of both programs, and advised that: 1) Regina Public Schools will not continue with the process of applying for IB status for Balfour Collegiate as enrolment, costs associated, and the fact that the school has a thriving AP program do not warrant proceeding; 2) Regina Public Schools will continue with the phasing out of IB at Campbell Collegiate and allow the IB program at Thom Collegiate to finish its last year; and 3) Regina Public Schools will continue its plan to implement AP across the Division (including at Thom and Campbell Collegiates) as its enrichment programming option for high school students. He noted that this option will allow for equitable access to enriched programming for all of the Division’s high school students, which is the fundamental premise of the High School Strategy. He responded to questions relative to the phasing out process, achieving the “standard” for University credit, AP course access, IB teacher deployment, review schedule, and AP monitoring plans. Board members expressed appreciation for the outstanding programming being offered to all high school students, and for the review and report.

Eden Care
Development –
Contract Zone

Information regarding a contract zone change application pertaining to the Eden Care development project located north of the Imperial School site had been distributed. Mr. Mark Whiting, Supervisor, Policy, Planning and Research, provided additional information, highlighting that Regina Public Schools has participated as a member of the project’s steering committee working toward a potential future partnership that would be related to the proposed rebuild of Imperial School. He outlined that the application, although showing an altered project and site plan with a reduced number of buildings as well as the absence of any proposed linkages to the school site, pertains more to land use and zoning. He noted that the absence of any connectivity with the school site is not necessarily an indication of a final plan, but may be indicative of a project and process that needs to continue, absent of any definitive input from Regina Public Schools. He recommended that the City be advised that Regina Public Schools would concur with any application for zoning changes that would support future partnership opportunities, and that Regina Public Schools dialogue with the Ministry of Education to determine the status of the Imperial School rebuild and/or the scope that may be considered in planning the school rebuild. Mr. Whiting responded to questions relative to parking and consideration of traffic flow around the school. Board members expressed frustration regarding the potential loss of an opportunity to partner with a community-based organization on a rebuild of the Imperial School facility.

Motion by Mrs. C. Anderson:

That the City of Regina be advised that, with respect to Contract Zone Application 15-CZ-02, Regina Public Schools concurs with any application for zoning changes that would continue to support opportunities for future joint land use and/or facility/building integration involving the Imperial School site.

Motion Carried.

City
Infrastructure
Easement
Agreement

Information regarding a request from the City of Regina for an easement to protect existing infrastructure facilities located on the site of the Mâdawêyatîân Centre had been distributed. Mr. Dave Bryanton, Superintendent, Educational Facilities, advised that the easement is required to accommodate construction,

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operation, maintenance, alteration or repair of domestic sewer lines/mains, storm sewer lines/mains, catch basins, and water supply lines/mains.

Motion by Ms. C. Beck:

That the Board authorize execution of the Easement Agreement with the City of Regina relative to the Mâdawêyatitân Centre property.

Motion Carried.

Closed
Session

Motion by Dr. K. O'Reilly:

That we go into closed session.

Motion Carried.

Motion by Mrs. C. Anderson:

That we rise and report.

Motion Carried.

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

CUPE 3766
Grievance
#2015-05

1) That Grievance #2015-05, submitted by CUPE 3766, be declined.

CUPE 3766
Grievance
#2015-06

2) That Grievance #2015-06, submitted by CUPE 3766, be declined.

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 *Attendance Boundaries* and *Facilities Matter*. The progress reports were accepted.

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

Motion by Miss A. Young:

That the meeting adjourn.

Motion Carried.

Time of meeting: 7:00 to 9:50 p.m.

Chairperson

Secretary-Treasurer