

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	Dr. Jane Ekong
	Mr. Dale West, Vice-Chair	Dr. Kathleen O'Reilly
	Mrs. Cindy Anderson	Ms. 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, extended a welcome to all staff and students on the start of a new school year, and thanked everyone for the work undertaken in preparation for school opening. She then asked for a motion to adopt the agenda.

Adoption of Agenda	<u>Motion by Dr. J. Ekong:</u>
	That the agenda be adopted as prepared.

Motion Carried.

Declaration of Any Conflicts	The Chairperson asked if there were any conflicts of interest to be declared. None were reported.
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Approving of Minutes	The Chairperson then asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting held on June 28, 2016.
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Motion by Mr. D. West:

That the minutes of the Board meeting of June 28, 2016, be approved as distributed.

Motion Carried.

School Opening Update	Mr. Darren Boldt, Deputy Director, Student Achievement, advised that all Division staff heard a video-taped school opening address from Mr. Greg Enion, Director of Education, outlining the areas of focus for the upcoming year. He noted that elementary staff members spent time focused on developing what was important for their school and why, and how to embed same into their Learning Improvement Plans and instruction for the school year. He further noted that high school staff members planned and revised strategies on how to improve attendance and increase student engagement. He outlined that staff from five schools took part in the Blanket Exercise. He provided information relative to professional development offered prior to school start-up, including Mandt, See-saw, and first aid training. Mr. Mike Walter, Deputy Director, School
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Services, acknowledged the hard work and dedication of all staff in preparing for the 2016-2017 school year. He advised that, in relation to enrolment, initial indications are that the Division can expect an increase of approximately 600 elementary students over last year and to be on par for high school enrolment. He noted that this is the first year of lunch room supervision fee implementation, and advised that the effects from the High School Strategy are becoming apparent with high school enrolments becoming more balanced. He highlighted the enhanced focus on improving safety throughout the Division and the work that will be forthcoming in that regard. Mr. Walter responded to a question relative to portable readiness. On behalf of the Board, Mrs. K. Gagne expressed appreciation for the report.

Mrs. K. Gagne also acknowledged Mr. Blair Gullickson, the Principal on Assignment overseeing preparation for the opening of five new facilities in the Fall of 2017.

New Schools – Video Presentation	Mr. Dave Bryanton, Superintendent, Educational Facilities, presented a video evidencing the progress on the five ongoing capital projects. He outlined specifics of each build, including exterior features and site placement. Mr. Terry Lazarou, Supervisor, Communications, advised that a link to the video would be available on the Board website following the meeting. Mr. Bryanton responded to a question relative to the development of the Rosewood Park subdivision. Board members expressed appreciation for the presentation.
Aboriginal Education Advisory Council	Mrs. K. Gagne provided a brief summary of the Aboriginal Education Advisory Council meeting held June 22, 2016, highlighting the discussion of the Following Their Voices program implemented at Scott Collegiate, designed to improve outcomes for First Nations, Métis and Inuit learners. She noted the discussion regarding the process that will be undertaken surrounding the name of Davin School, indicating that the committee believes that this is an opportunity to begin to educate the community about the legacy of Residential Schools and move forward with reconciliation. She advised that an overview regarding self-declaration was provided, and that improvements will be made in the 2016-17 school year to increase the number of Kindergarten to Grade 12 students who self-declare as Aboriginal students. She further advised that the Administration provided an update on the data showing the graduation rates for First Nations, Métis and Inuit students for the 2015-16 school year as well as projections for 2016-17, highlighting that Regina Public Schools is showing a trend of consistent improvement in this area. She noted that Director Greg Enion provided an update regarding his visit to Thom Collegiate to thank the students who developed Thom’s TRC Call to Action recommendations, and advised that he will be forming a Grade 9 Curriculum Committee to examine some of the recommendations that were made by the students.
Submission of Bylaw Amendments & Resolutions for the 2016 Annual General Meeting	Information relative to the submission of bylaw amendments and resolutions for the 2016 Saskatchewan School Boards Association Annual General Meeting had been distributed. Mrs. K. Gagne noted the deadline for submissions is October 13, 2016, and that requests for any potential resolutions should be submitted to Ms. Debra Burnett, Deputy Director, Division Services, by September 22, 2016, for consideration at the September 27, 2016 Board meeting.

Chair	S/T

2016-2017
Budget Final
Estimates

Information relative to approval by the Ministry of Education of the Board’s 2016-2017 revenue and expenditure estimates submission (as detailed at the June 28, 2016 Board meeting) had been distributed. Ms. Debra Burnett, Deputy Director, Division Services, noted that, following said approval, *The Education Act, 1995* requires Board approval of the final 2016-2017 estimates.

Motion by Mrs. C. Anderson:

That the 2016-2017 estimated revenues and expenditures, as submitted to and approved by the Ministry of Education, be adopted as the final statement for the 2016-2017 fiscal year.

Motion Carried.

School Naming

Information regarding the naming of the three new joint schools, opening in 2017, had been distributed. Mr. Greg Enion, Director of Education, advised that members of the Board had reviewed and agreed upon the names to be attached to the new joint schools opening in 2017. He noted that the Name Your School campaign generated hundreds of responses and many suggestions, which made it a challenging task for Board members to select three meaningful names. He further noted that the names chosen considered the following rationale that was submitted and discussed by the Board members:

- Harbour Landing – **École Harbour Landing School:**
 - Close to home and community
 - Evokes a safe return and place of security and comfort
 - Place of preparation to venture forth
 - A sense of multicultural beginnings
- Greens on Gardiner – **École Wascana Plains School:**
 - A reflection of and homage to Treaty 4 indigenous peoples’ heritage
 - A reference to a previously used name and the topography of the area
- Rosewood Park – **Plainsview School:**
 - A reference to the topography of the area
 - A celebration of the endless view from the area

Motion by Dr. K. O’Reilly:

That the following names be adopted, pending vetting, for the Regina Public Schools’ joint-use schools: 1) in Harbour Landing, École Harbour Landing School; 2) in Greens on Gardiner, École Wascana Plains School; and 3) in Rosewood Park, Plainsview School.

Motion Carried.

Preventative
Maintenance
and Renewal
Amendment

Information regarding changes to the Ministry of Education’s Preventative Maintenance and Renewal (PMR) Program had been distributed. Mr. Dave Bryanton, Superintendent, Educational Facilities, advised that Board approval of the pre-planned submission, including approval of amendments, is now a requirement. He outlined amendments to the 2015-16 and 2019-20 PMR Plans.

Motion by Dr. J. Ekong:

That the amendments to the 2015-16 and 2019-20 Preventative Maintenance and Renewal Plans, be approved, as presented, for the submission to the Ministry of Education.

Motion Carried.

Chair	S/T

City of Regina
Utility
Easement
Agreement

Information regarding a request from the City of Regina for an easement relative to the Arcola Community School property had been distributed. Mr. Dave Bryanton, Superintendent, Educational Facilities, provided additional information.

Motion by Mr. D. West:

That the Board authorize execution of the Easement Right-of-Way with the City of Regina relative to the Arcola Community School property.

Motion Carried.

Subdivision
Reports

Mr. D. West announced that he will not be seeking re-election in the upcoming municipal election. After 30 years of teaching and 10 years as a Board member, he advised that has enjoyed his three terms and is proud of the commitment made by this Board to education of students. He further indicated that it has been a privilege to serve as a Board member and thanked the electors of Subdivision 3 for their support.

Closed
Session

Motion by Mrs. C. Anderson:

That we go into closed session.

Motion Carried.

Motion by Ms. A. Young:

That we rise and report.

Motion Carried.

At the conclusion of closed session, the Committee of the Whole reported progress with respect to consideration of *Legal Matter*. The progress report was accepted.

Adjournment

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

Motion by Dr. J. Ekong:

That the meeting adjourn.

Motion Carried.

Time of meeting: 7:00 to 7:58 p.m.

Chairperson

Secretary-Treasurer