

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	Mrs. Tanya Foster
	Ms. Aleana Young, Vice-Chair	Mr. Adam Hicks
	Mrs. Cindy Anderson	Mr. Jay Kasperski
	Dr. Jane Ekong	
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 acknowledged the location of every Regina Public School and the School Division Office on Treaty 4 land.

The Chairperson called the meeting to order and asked for a motion to adopt the agenda.

Adoption of Agenda	<u>Motion by Mrs. T. Foster:</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 May 2, 2017.
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Motion by Mr. A. Hicks:

That the minutes of the Board meeting of May 2, 2017, be approved as distributed.

Motion Carried.

Presentation	The Board received a presentation from Mr. Anthony Eberle relative to the Board’s recent changes to the provision of student transportation services. Mr. Eberle presented a petition to the Chairperson, calling for the Board “to repeal their decision in their new model to cut transportation to approximately 1100 children in Regina and to reinstate the buses as they ran in the 2016/2017 school year and before.” He advanced that parents are affected by this change,
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but the consideration of student safety is what has driven the petition. He provided examples of locations in Harbour Landing, Arcola and Mount Royal subdivisions no longer eligible for busing and noted that noon hour supervision fees would now be applicable. He presented wind chill and frostbite information and pedestrian and transportation safety statistics. He advised that daycare providers are also affected by these changes, and provided seven possible options for Board consideration, including transporting children who live 0.8 Km or more from school, transporting only K-Grade 5 students, eliminating expendable programming, implementing seasonal transportation, working with the City of Regina Transit, introducing pay-per-use, or sharing transportation services with Regina Catholic Schools. He responded to questions relative to clarification on the Provincial Government’s position, the proposed options, and the wording of the petition. He further inquired on the Board’s budget timeline; Mrs. K. Gagne advised that the Board is required to approve its budget by the end of June, 2017. Mrs. Gagne, on behalf of the Board, expressed appreciation for the presentation.

Sheldon-Williams Performing Arts Program

Information regarding the Sheldon-Williams Collegiate Performing Arts Program had been distributed. Mr. Luc Lerminiaux, Superintendent, Student Achievement, introduced Ms. Jodi Scott, Mr. Dan Hanline and Mr. Don Balas, teachers, who highlighted the importance and positive impacts of the program. Three students and cast members of the recent musical “Bring It On,” Zoe Goetz, Christian Luansing and Sydney McDonald, reflected on their experiences being involved in the performing arts program and participating in the school’s musicals. They spoke of the strong team work and the supportive, respectful and inclusive atmosphere. Mr. Balas advised that there were 80 students involved in the production, with varying levels of experience in the arts. Mr. Hanline expressed appreciation for the overwhelming support from the administration and their fellow colleagues. The teachers responded to a question relative to students’ time commitment in preparation for the production. Board members expressed appreciation for the presentation and congratulated everyone on a successful production and program.

Policy and Planning Committee

Mrs. T. Foster provided a brief summary of the Policy and Planning Committee meeting held May 9, 2017. She advised that an update on the change from the term “Aboriginal” to “Indigenous” in Policies 2, 8 and 17, resulting from a recommendation of the Indigenous Education Advisory Council, was provided. It was also noted that an acknowledgment of ceremonial smudging was added to Policy 17. She further advised that the Committee members discussed video recording at Board meetings, and considered deferring the matter pending receipt of further direction from the Ministry of Education regarding changes to the Regulations under Bill 63. She reported that, in the interim, the matter was deferred to the next Public Education Advocacy Committee meeting. It was noted that the changes to *The Education Act, 1995*, with the passing of Bill 63, were outlined and that revisions to the Board’s policies would be required to align with the new Regulations. The Committee deferred the scheduled policy review pending revision to the Regulations. Mrs. Foster concluded by providing an overview of the upcoming Board Evaluation and Planning process.

Community Relations Committee

Mrs. C. Anderson provided a brief summary of the Community Relations Committee meeting held May 16, 2017, highlighting a discussion regarding positive feedback on the 2017 Parent Forum. Based on feedback provided and Trustee suggestions, the possibility of hosting two forums—a topic-specific parent forum, and an evening for SCCs to share and collaborate—was suggested. She advised that information on the Shared Values Recognition

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Program was presented and a discussion on the nomination process occurred. It was noted that information on the establishment of criteria for SCC member recognition was provided. Mrs. Anderson concluded by advising of a discussion regarding the restructuring of SCCs under Ministry of Education guidelines and *The Education Act, 1995*, with further information to be brought back to the Committee in early Fall.

School Boards/
City Council
Liaison
Committee

Ms. A. Young provided a brief summary of the School Boards/City Council Liaison Committee meeting held May 12, 2017, highlighting discussions regarding review of the Joint Use Agreements, the new joint school in Northwest Regina, traffic safety, transportation arrangements, and new school playground development. She advised that there was a commitment made for the Committee to meet more regularly. Ms. Young responded to a question relative to attendees at the meeting. It was further noted that additional information would be provided in closed session.

Subdivision
Reports

Mrs. C. Anderson advised that she and Mr. A. Hicks had attended the Heritage Fair at Campus Regina Public on May 5, 2017, noting the fascinating presentations made by the very engaged students. She further advised that she attended the Pipe Ceremony and Treaty 4 Flag Raising at Imperial School on May 18, 2017, and expressed appreciation for the very well thought out assembly.

Ms. A. Young advised that she recently attended her fifth Shirley Schneider Support Centre Wrap-Around event and expressed appreciation for the many partner organizations that support the Centre and its students. She responded to a question relative to enrolment at the Support Centre.

Mr. A. Hicks advised that the Connaught and Massey School Community Councils are both organizing parent meetings to discuss possible transportation options for the 2017-18 school year.

Mr. J. Kasperski was pleased to announce that the McLurg School Community Council reached its playground fundraising goal of \$70,000, and the new play structure will be installed in June, with the former play structure to be refurbished for installation at Kitchener School.

Mrs. K. Gagne advised that she attended the Regina Public Schools’ Resiliency Awards ceremony on May 17, 2017, honouring and recognizing Indigenous Grade 12 students. She expressed appreciation for the outstanding event and applauded the Division for establishing these awards.

Mrs. K. Gagne acknowledged the passing of Mr. Jim Burnett, on May 17, 2017. She noted that he served as Regina Public Schools’ Director of Education for 16 years and then as a Trustee. She further noted that the Division Office is named in his honour. She expressed appreciation for his years of dedicated service to public education.

Mr. Greg Enion, Director of Education, was pleased to present the Premier’s Award of Excellence in the Public Service to Mr. Mike Walter, Deputy Director, School Services, for his role in the inter-ministerial support team following the tragic events in La Loche, Saskatchewan, in 2016.

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Closed
Session

Motion by Mrs. C. Anderson:

That we go into closed session in order to consider those matters identified on the meeting agenda for referral to said session.

Motion Carried.

Motion by Mr. A. Hicks:

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
2016-13

1) That Grievance #2016-13, submitted by CUPE 3766, be declined.

2017-2018
Budget
Deliberations

2) That a Board meeting be established for June 6, 2017, commencing at 12:00 p.m. at the Regina School Division Office, 1600 4th Avenue, Regina, in order to consider 2017-18 Budget-related matters.

Meeting
Adjournment
Time

3) That the May 23, 2017, 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 Ms. A. Young:

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

Motion Carried.

Motion by Ms. A. Young:

That recommendation No. 3 (above) from the Committee of the Whole be approved.

Motion Carried.

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At the conclusion of closed session, the Committee of the Whole reported progress with respect to consideration of *Proposed Position Statements Feedback, 2017-2018 Budget Deliberations, Public Section Member Survey, School Boards/City Council Liaison Committee, and School Naming*. 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 Dr. J. Ekong:

That the meeting adjourn.

Motion Carried.

Time of meeting: 7:00 to 10:15 p.m.

Chairperson

Secretary-Treasurer