

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

Members Present	Mrs. Cindy Anderson	Mr. Adam Hicks
	Dr. Jane Ekong	Mr. Jay Kasperski
	Mrs. Tanya Foster	Ms. Aleana Young
	Mrs. Katherine Gagne	
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 Secretary-Treasurer called the meeting to order and acknowledged the location of every Regina Public School and the School Division Office on Treaty 4 land.

The Secretary-Treasurer then called 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 Secretary-Treasurer asked if there were any conflicts of interest to be declared. None were reported.
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Election of Chairperson	In accordance with the provisions of Board Policy 7 “Board Operations,” the Secretary-Treasurer asked each member of the Board to state whether he/she would be willing to serve as Chairperson until the next Organizational Meeting. Mrs. K. Gagne stated that she would be willing to serve in that capacity. All other members declined. Mrs. K. Gagne was declared elected by acclamation to the office of Chairperson of the Board of Education of the Regina School Division No. 4 of Saskatchewan, effective immediately.
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Election of Vice- Chairperson	Mrs. K. Gagne then took the Chair and asked each of the other members of the Board to indicate whether he/she would be willing to serve as Vice-Chairperson for the ensuing year. Mr. A. Hicks and Ms. A. Young stated that they would be willing to serve in that capacity. All other members declined. Following a vote by secret ballot, Mr. A. Hicks was declared elected to the position of Vice-Chairperson of the Board of Education of the Regina School Division No. 4 of Saskatchewan, effective immediately.
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Chair	S/T

Establishing  
Date, Time and  
Place of Board  
Meetings

Consideration was given to the establishment of dates, time and place of regular meetings of the Board.  
  
Motion by Mr. A. Hicks:

That, during the period November, 2017, to October, 2018, regular meetings of the Board be held on the following school days:

- Tuesday, November 28, 2017

Tuesday, December 12, 2017

Tuesday, January 9, 2018

Tuesday, February 13, 2018

Tuesday, March 6, 2018

Tuesday, March 27, 2018

Tuesday, April 17, 2018
- Tuesday, May 8, 2018

Tuesday, May 29, 2018

Tuesday, June 19, 2018

Tuesday, September 4, 2018

Tuesday, September 25, 2018

Tuesday, October 16, 2018

commencing at 5:30 p.m., to be held at the Regina Public School Board Office, 1600 4th Avenue, Regina, unless otherwise scheduled by resolution.

Motion Carried.

Trustee  
Remuneration

Pursuant to policy requirements, information regarding Trustee remuneration rates had been distributed for information purposes. The Chairperson inquired as to whether there were any questions or comments from Board members regarding the materials. Mrs. C. Anderson commented on the continued high level of dedication shown by Trustees.

Trustee Conflict  
of Interest /  
Code of  
Conduct  
Provisions

Pursuant to policy requirements, conflict of interest provisions from *The Education Act, 1995* and Board Policy 4 “Trustee Code of Conduct” had been distributed for information purposes. The Chairperson inquired as to whether there were any questions or comments from Board members regarding the materials. None were raised.

Approving of  
Minutes

The Chairperson then asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting held on October 17, 2017.

Motion by Mrs. C. Anderson:

That the minutes of the Board meeting of October 17, 2017, be approved as distributed.

Motion Carried.

Standing  
Committees

In accordance with provisions of Policy 8 “Committees of the Board,” it was noted that the current standing committees of the Board are as follows:  
  

1) Audit and Risk Management Committee;

2) Community Relations Committee;

3) Policy and Governance Committee;

4) Communication and Advocacy Committee; and

5) Indigenous Education Advisory Council.

Chair	S/T

Motion by Mrs. T. Foster:

That the five Standing Committees, as outlined in Board Policy 8 “Committees of the Board,” be confirmed until the next Organizational Meeting of the Board.

Motion Carried.

Policy and Governance Committee

Mrs. T. Foster provided a brief summary of the Policy and Governance Committee meeting held October 24, 2017. She advised that Mr. Mark Whiting, Supervisor of Policy, Planning and Research, provided an update on the annual review of policies, noting that, due to the recent changes to *The Education Act*, many of the policies may require amendment. She advised that the Committee identified Board Policies 7, 18 and 19 for review this year. She further advised that Mr. Whiting provided the Committee with an update regarding the changes made to *The Education Act*, specifically relating to Board Policies 7 and 19. Relative to the requirement for an Annual Meeting of Electors under Policy 7, she noted that Mr. Greg Enion, Director of Education, and Mr. Darren Boldt, Deputy Director, Student Achievement, were tasked with reviewing options and format for the Annual Meeting for further discussion at the Committee’s next meeting. The matter of spirituality in schools had been referred to the Committee by the Board, and Mrs. Foster advised that policy options relative to same were discussed, and Mr. Whiting and Mr. Boldt were tasked with reviewing current policies and procedures to determine what currently exists regarding this matter, and that the matter will be brought back to the Committee for further discussion. She concluded by noting that Ms. A. Young provided an update on the SSBA memorandum regarding membership fees.

Appointment of Auditors

In accordance with provisions of *The Education Act, 1995*, consideration was given to the appointment of auditors for the 2017-2018 fiscal year. Mr. A. Hicks noted that the three Acts relative to accountant qualifications, as referenced in subsection 85(1)(s) of *The Education Act, 1995*, have been repealed and questioned whether that impacted the appointment of an auditor. Ms. Debra Burnett, Deputy Director, Division Services, advised that the legislation still requires the Board to appoint an auditor.

Motion by Mr. J. Kasperski:

That, subject to submission of an acceptable audit plan (including fee schedule) to the Audit and Risk Management Committee, Meyers Norris Penny be appointed auditors for the Regina School Division No. 4 of Saskatchewan for the 2017-2018 fiscal year.

Motion Carried.

Date of 2018 Annual Meeting of Electors

Mrs. K. Gagne advised that the matter of an Annual Meeting of Electors has been deferred to the November 28th Board meeting pending receipt of a recommendation from the Policy and Governance Committee.

Date of 2018 Organizational Meeting

In accordance with previous practice, it was requested that the date for the 2018 Organizational Meeting be established at this time.

Chair	S/T

Motion by Mrs. C. Anderson:

That the 2018 Organizational Meeting be held on Tuesday, November 6, 2018, at 5:30 p.m., in the Regina Public School Board Office, 1600 4th Avenue, Regina.

Motion Carried.

Notices of Motion

Mr. A. Hicks gave notice of his intention to present the following motions at a subsequent meeting of the Board:

- 1) BE IT RESOLVED that the Board create a short-term special committee as per Board Policy 8, section 2, to analyze and create a proposed action in regards to the inclusion of a student trustee on the Board of Education;
- 2) BE IT RESOLVED that the Board create a process to promote, collect and analyze public input on the 2018-19 Budget; and
- 3) BE IT RESOLVED that the Board create a short-term special committee as per Board Policy 8, section 2, to fully review the Regina Public School Board transportation system.

Subdivision Reports

Ms. A. Young congratulated students at Marion McVeety School for achieving 95% attendance during the month of October.

Mr. A. Hicks advised that he attended the grand opening of École Connaught Community School on October 20th, and congratulated the students and staff on the successful event. He further noted the election of a new École Connaught School Community Council (SCC) Chairperson. He commented that the online survey relative to the naming of Davin School will be open until December 15th. He advised that he is working with the Ethel Milliken SCC in hosting a Family Paint Nite on November 16th. He welcomed the Dr. A. E. Perry SCC Chairperson, Mr. Rosca, in attendance, and commented on that SCC’s “Great Perry Pumpkin Patch” fundraiser held on October 22nd, and another successful movie night held on October 28th. He advised that the Harbour Landing SCC is now formed, and held a Halloween Dance on October 30th. He concluded by highlighting the Sheldon-Williams Collegiate interactive haunted house, operated in partnership with Saskatchewan Express, on October 29th.

Dr. J. Ekong advised that she attended the grand opening of École Wascana Plains School on September 27th, noting the many community members in attendance for the celebration. She noted that the school’s new playground was unveiled on October 27th, and extended appreciation to the fundraising committee and community for working together to make the playground equipment a reality.

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.

Chair	S/T

Motion by Mrs. C. Anderson:

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 *SSBA Fall Assembly and Annual Meeting* and *Facilities Matter*. 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 Mrs. T. Foster:

That the meeting adjourn.

Motion Carried.

Time of meeting: 7:00 to 8:37 p.m.

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Chairperson

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Secretary-Treasurer