

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

Members Present	Mrs. Katherine Gagne, Chair	Mrs. Tanya Foster
	Mr. Adam Hicks, Vice-Chair	Mr. Jay Kasperski
	Mrs. Cindy Anderson	Ms. Aleana Young
	Dr. Jane Ekong	

Administration Present	Mr. Greg Enion, Director of Education
	Ms. Naomi Mellor, Deputy Director, Division Services/CFO
	Mr. Darren Boldt, Deputy Director, Student Achievement

Mrs. K. Gagne 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. It was requested that the following item also be added in closed session: *Fall 2020 School Re-Open Plan*.

Adoption of Agenda	<u>Motion by Mr. A. Hicks:</u>
	That, with the addition requested, the agenda be adopted.

Motion Carried.

Fall 2020 School Re- Open Plan	The Fall 2020 School Re-Opening Plan, as at August 1, 2020, had been distributed. Mr. Greg Enion, Director of Education, advised that there continues to be regular communication between his office and Ministry of Education and Saskatchewan Health Authority officials. He further advised that a number of committees that have been diligently working to develop the re-opening plan that was made public last week, noting that the Division is working intently to update the plan as changes occur.
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Mr. Darren Boldt, Deputy Director, Student Achievement, outlined the number of committees that are creating frameworks for teachers and staff, advising that these frameworks will allow each school staff to plan for their specific facility. He noted that there is a committee specifically dedicated to remote learning, which is currently determining staffing and developing a registration process. He also outlined other committees assigned to Elementary and High School Operations, Elementary and High School Learning, Prekindergarten and Kindergarten, Intensive Needs, Practical and Applied Arts and Physical Education, and Music and Arts.

Ms. Naomi Mellor, Deputy Director, Division Services/CFO, provided an update on the work being done to source and identify the various personal protective equipment (PPE) and other supplies that will be required to re-open schools safely in the Fall. She advised that there has been input from and consultation with staff across the Division to determine what equipment and supplies staff prefer. She outlined that supplies will include: hand sanitizer in

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every classroom and other used space; disinfectant solution with applicator that will be used at the end of every school day; gloves; face masks (both disposal and reusable) for staff and students; visors; plexi-glass screens; thermometers; and goggles. She also noted some further changes as well as a number of items in the development stage, including wanting to increase the number of water bottle filling stations, portable handwashing stations at some larger schools, and air purifying systems to improve air quality. She advised that supplies and equipment will be organized and sent to schools to be ready for when staff return at the end of August.

Mr. Enion further advised that Division Management have held regular meetings with union and employee groups, and expressed appreciation for their feedback during the development of the plan. He noted that the Division is receiving many calls and emails and is adamantly working at answering all questions as quickly as possible. He advised that further communication will be released next week after the committees have had an opportunity to finalize details. He emphasized the importance of the Division having a solid plan to communicate that will answer questions and alleviate any concerns.

Mr. Enion, Mr. Boldt and Ms. Mellor responded to questions relative to hand sanitizer, input from School Community Councils, compensation for staff working during the Summer, and communication of and public accessibility of the plans. Trustees expressed appreciation to the Senior Administration and staff for their continued hard work and dedication during this unprecedented time.

Declaration of Any Conflicts

The Chairperson asked if there were any conflicts of interest to be declared. None were reported.

Approving of Minutes

The Chairperson then asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting held on June 16, 2020.

Motion by Mr. J. Kasperski:

That the minutes of the Board meeting of June 16, 2020, be approved as distributed.

Motion Carried.

Police Information Checks for Board Candidates

Information relative to Police Information Checks for Board candidates had been distributed. Mr. A. Hicks advised that, when completing his Candidate Acceptance Form, he observed that the Regina Catholic School Division requires a Police Information Check accompany said form when submitted to the Nomination Officer. He further noted that, after discussion with Senior Administration, *The Education Act, 1995* sets out that a resolution requiring every candidate to submit a current criminal record check must be made at least 90 days before the day of a general election. The inclusion of a vulnerable sector query was accepted as a friendly amendment.

Motion by Mr. A. Hicks:

WHEREAS a Saskatchewan School Board may require criminal record checks for candidates running in an election as per *The Education Act, 1995*; and

WHEREAS the Regina Public School Board has an internal practice requiring all employees and elected Trustees to submit current criminal record checks; and

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WHEREAS other boards require a criminal record check with candidates' nomination papers;

BE IT RESOLVED that Regina Public School Board require that a criminal record check with vulnerable sector query be included with the candidate nomination papers for all candidates running for a trustee position.

Motion Carried.
(Unanimously)

Closed Session Motion by Mrs. T. Foster:

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 Dr. J. Ekong:

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 *Fall 2020 School Re-Open Plan*. 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 Mrs. T. Foster:

That the meeting adjourn.

Motion Carried.

Time of meeting: 4:30 to 7:19 p.m.

Chairperson

Secretary-Treasurer