

ROLLING RIVER SCHOOL DIVISION Board Meeting of November 16, 2004

PRESENT: K. Brewer, J. Heapy, G. Jackson, L. Jackson, C. Jury, L. McFarlane, I. Shannacappo, K. Sharpe, W. Yanchycki.

DIVISION ADMINISTRATION PRESENT:

N. Whitley - Superintendent  
K. McNabb - Secretary-Treasurer

RESOLUTION NO. 1: Moved by J. Heapy and seconded by W. Yanchycki  
THAT the Board approve the agenda as presented.

- Carried

RESOLUTION NO. 2: Moved by G. Jackson and seconded by W. Yanchycki  
THAT the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of  
November 4, 2004 be approved.

- Carried

RESOLUTION NO. 3: Moved by W. Yanchycki and seconded by J. Heapy  
THAT the Board approve the alternate program for senior  
students at Erickson Collegiate for the 2004-2005 school  
year.

- Carried

RESOLUTION NO. 4: Moved by L. McFarlane and seconded by G. Jackson  
THAT the Board approve an unpaid leave of absence for  
Doreen Matthews from January 1, 2005 to June 28, 2005  
inclusive.

- Carried

RESOLUTION NO. 5: Moved by K. Sharpe and seconded by K. Brewer  
THAT the Board approve the Personnel Report as  
presented.

- Carried

RESOLUTION NO. 6: Moved by L. Jackson and seconded by K. Brewer  
THAT the Board Go Into Committee of the Whole Board  
and Go In Camera to hear a portion of the Senior  
Administration's Report.

THAT the Board adjourned to Committee of the Whole  
Board and Went In Camera at 7:54 p.m.

The Board returned to regular session at 8:42 p.m.

- Carried

RESOLUTION NO. 7: Moved by K. Brewer and seconded by L. Jackson  
THAT the Board approve the Workplace Accident Report  
(GBED) policy and regulation as presented and amended.

- Carried

RESOLUTION NO. 8: Moved by W. Yanchycki and seconded by G. Jackson  
THAT the Senior Administration report be received as  
presented and discussed.

- Carried

RESOLUTION NO. 9: Moved by K. Sharpe and seconded by G. Jackson  
THAT the Committee report be received.

- Carried

RESOLUTION NO. 10: Moved by L. Jackson and seconded by K. Brewer  
THAT the Board meeting be adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

- Carried

Other Business:

1. Grant Butler, Computer Consultant and Mary Dalton, Technology Resource Teacher presented on technology as a classroom tool and foundation skill.
2. The Superintendent reported on a Trustee inquiry regarding field trip permission procedures. Trustee Jackson proposed an amendment to the Field Trip Policy indicating that the Board does not support international field trips. The Board was supportive of this proposal. The Superintendent will draft a revision to the policy for the Board to review.
3. The Superintendent reviewed a consultation paper from Manitoba Education proposing a provincial student assessment policy.
4. The Superintendent reviewed correspondence from Manitoba Education confirming the selection of teachers from Tanner's Crossing School for the Intervention in the Manitoba Education Mathematics Pilot project. Teachers from Grades 1, 3 and 5 and Resource will participate.
5. The Superintendent reviewed the recommendation for quality daily physical education as was presented by the Rolling River Athletic Association. The Board supported the Superintendent to investigate the viability of this and include it as part of the 2005-2006 preliminary budget.
6. The Secretary-Treasurer reviewed information on Audit Committees. The Board was supportive of the creation of an Audit Committee as a standing Committee of the Board. Trustees Sharpe, Yanchycki and Crowston were appointed to the committee and will draft a proposed Committee role and responsibility statement for the Board's consideration.
7. The Superintendent reported on the water quality testing at Douglas and Onanole. Water samples have tested satisfactory at the schools. Follow-up samples will be tested prior to approving consumption.
8. The Secretary-Treasurer reviewed correspondence on a workshop on Building Board Excellence sponsored by the Minnedosa Recreation Commission.
9. The Superintendent reviewed correspondence from the MUST fund approving, in principle, the Division's application for assistance related to a teacher grievance.
10. The Board discussed the presentation by parents from Elton Collegiate made at the last Board meeting, regarding timetable changes. The Superintendent will meet with the school administration, Parent Advisory Council and Student Council to resolve the matter identified.
11. Trustee Brewer reported on the Workplace Safety and Health Committee minutes. The Secretary-Treasurer reported on a preliminary proposal to create a Safety Association with other interested School Divisions in southwestern Manitoba.
12. The Secretary-Treasurer reviewed information regarding the MAST Student Citizenship Awards. An information package has been sent to the schools. The deadline for receipt of Divisional applications for the award is January 14, 2005. Trustees L. Jackson, Brewer and Heapy will meet prior to the Board meeting on January 20, 2005 to review the Divisional applications.
13. The Board discussed correspondence from MAST regarding two draft resolutions for the Association of Manitoba Municipalities Conference regarding limiting School Board taxation authority. At their discretion Trustees will contact local Municipal Councils and councilors to discuss the Board's concern with these resolutions.

New Business:

- Education Finance Report.

Upcoming Meetings:

- Governance Committee Meeting  
November 25, 2004 9:30 a.m.  
Administration Office

The next regular Board Meeting will be held on ***Tuesday, November 30, 2004*** at 7:30 p.m. at the Administration Office.

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Chairperson

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Secretary-Treasurer

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