

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE PRAIRIE SOUTH SCHOOL DIVISION NO. 210 BOARD OF EDUCATION held at Central Office, 15 Thatcher Drive East, Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan on March 6, 2012 at 10:00 a.m.**

Attendance: Ms. C. Christopherson-Cote; Mr. D. Crabbe; Mr. S. Davidson; Mr. R. Gleim; Ms. J. Jelinski; Mr. A. Kessler; Mr. G. Stewart; Mr. B. Swanson; Mr. L. Young; J. Finell, Director of Education; B. Girardin, Superintendent of Business and Operations; R. Boughen, Superintendent of Human Resources; L. Meyer, Superintendent of Learning; B. Compton, Superintendent of School Operations; S. Kitts, Superintendent of School Operations; H. Boese, Executive Assistant; L. Patterson, Executive Assistant

Regrets: Mrs. J. McMaster, Trustee; D. Huschi, Superintendent of School Operations

Presentations: Learning Improvement Plans, Steve Michaluk (1:00 p.m.)

Motions:

03/06/12 – 1680 That the meeting be called to order at 10:40 a.m. Carried  
- Davidson

03/06/12 – 1681 The following items were added to the agenda: Carried  
5.6 MLA/Trustee Network  
That the Board adopt the agenda as amended.  
- Stewart

03/06/12 – 1682 That the Board adopt the Minutes of the regular meeting Carried  
of February 7, 2012 as presented.  
- Gleim

Colleen Christopherson-Cote arrived at 10:45 a.m.

03/06/12 – 1683 That Prairie South School Division administration Carried  
develop a policy for presentation to the Board whereby  
Prairie South School Division schools can receive seed  
funding to facilitate organization of celebrations  
commemorating significant school history milestones.  
- Swanson

03/06/12 – 1684 That school administration be engaged with the viability Carried  
of providing Polycom access to the public for the live  
broadcast of public board meetings.  
- Davidson

03/06/12 – 1685 That the board approve the tentative CUPE collective Carried  
agreement as presented.  
- Young

Barbara Compton arrived at 11:30 a.m.

03/06/12 – 1686 That the board approve the 2012-13 school year calendars as submitted. Carried  
- Young

03/06/12 – 1687 That funding for the following projects under Policy 109 be approved: Carried

- Assiniboia Composite High-Score clock for the gymnasium to a maximum of \$10,000
- Coronach - School beautification to a maximum of \$8,000
- Rockglen - Community Gym to a maximum of \$7,500

and that the Eyebrow School application be deferred to 2012-13 consideration.  
- Swanson

That the Board break at 11:58 a.m.

That the Board reconvene at 1:10 p.m.

Sandi Kitts arrived at 1:10 p.m.

03/06/12 – 1688 That board approval be granted to develop a sponsorship package for the Centennial Auditorium upgrades at A. E. Peacock Collegiate. Carried  
- Swanson

03/06/12 – 1689 That the Board receive the consent items and approve the recommendations contained therein, as presented. Carried  
- Young

## **Committee Reports**

### Standing Committees:

#### *Higher Literacy & Achievement*

- Section 4 of the Comprehensive Learning framework (CLf) has been posted to Connect for input from teachers and administrators.
- A presentation was given to the Rotary Club.
- Presentation of Learning Improvement Plans (LIPs) today by Steve Michaluk, explaining the process of LIPs.
- Lead team (12 stakeholders) met to discuss status of CLf to date.
- PD with administrators of 9 schools re: LITs.

#### *Equitable Opportunities*

- The committee is finalizing the presentation for the PAA Enhancements. A survey on career development for grades 9 and 10 is being drafted.

#### *Smooth Transitions*

- The committee will be presenting the Attendance Policy at the April Board meeting for discussion.
- The committee discussed prekindergarten in our division. A discussion paper for the Board will be presented at their March meeting.

- A prekindergarten program at Lafleche would be easy to start up. There is potential for some challenges with regards to bussing that will need to be worked out. A meeting will be set up to discuss prekindergarten bussing.
- There is a need for a prekindergarten program in Mankota, but there are not enough student numbers. L Meyer will be meeting with R Boughen about how to offer a modified opportunity to the children in need in the community. Materials can be provided to Mankota, if needed.
- Lindale has the potential to fill two prekindergarten classes for the 2012-2013 school year. The prekindergarten would use the current pre-school rooms.

*Strong System-Wide Accountability and Governance*

- The committee has been working on the Transportation policies. Once the policies have been finalized they will be submitted to the Board for their discussion and approval.

*Advocacy and Networking*

- The MLA/Trustee Network item was discussed at the Board's Planning Session prior to this meeting.

*Rural Catchment Review*

- The committee is currently gathering information. The Transportation Department has been assisting the committee in this regard.

Adhoc Committees:

*South Hill*

- The Bulldog Post newsletter was distributed to 2000 homes on South Hill by students as part of their In Motion program. A copy has been provided to the Board members.
- The South Hill Wildlife Expo attracted 320 grade 7 and 8 students to Riverview and Empire on February 29.
- 800 grade 7 – 12 Prairie South students have signed up for the Challenge and Choices Day, March 21. This is a joint project with Riverview Collegiate and 12 Saskatchewan help agencies. The theme is "Looking After Your Friends".
- High School registration information night will be held Wednesday March 14 at Riverview Collegiate.
- Grade 9 School Tours take place March 19 at Riverview, and March 21 and Peacock Collegiate and Central Collegiate. Grade 9 registration books will be distributed to grade 8 students on March 23.
- A Planning meeting will be held to bring the Board up-to-date on the South Hill Initiative. Information is currently being collected for this meeting.

*Annual General Meeting of Electors Improvement*

- The RSVP deadline is March 17 – only seven replies to date.

**Notice of Motions**

03/06/12 – 1690

That the 2011-2012 Public Accounts of Prairie South School Division be prepared with staff salaries presented in \$10,000 increments all the way up to the highest pay scale.

- Davidson

**Adjournment**

03/06/12 – 1691

That the meeting be adjourned at 2:50 p.m.  
- Gleim

Carried

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Colleen Christopherson-Cote  
Chair

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B. Girardin  
Superintendent of Business and Operations

**Next Regular Board Meeting:**

Date: April 3, 2012  
Location: Central Office, Moose Jaw