

**PRAIRIE SOUTH SCHOOL DIVISION NO. 210**

**BOARD MEETING**

**Date: January 9, 2007**

**Location: Central Office, Moose Jaw**

**MINUTES**

Attendance: Mr. L. Bean; Mr. R. Boughen; Mr. N. Buckler; Mr. C. Duke;  
Mr. R. Gleim; Mr. W. Lethbridge; Mrs. J. McMaster; M. Piche;  
Mr. G. Stewart; Mr. L. Young; B. Edwards, Director of Education;  
V. Geddes, Superintendent of Business and Operations; D. Sangster,  
Superintendent of Human Resources; J. Finell, Superintendent of School  
Services; S. Kitts, Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction; G. Falk,  
Superintendent of Student Support Services; V. Riendeau, Board  
Executive Assistant

Motions:

- 09/01/07 - 394 That the meeting be called to order at 10:15 a.m. Carried  
- Stewart
- 09/01/07 - 395 That the Board adopt the agenda as amended/presented. Carried  
- Buckler
- 09/01/07 - 396 That the Board adopt the Minutes of the regular meeting of December 5, Carried  
2006, as presented.  
- McMaster
- 09/01/07 - 397 That the Board confirm the appointment of the individuals Carried  
recommended in the School Community Councils listing as presented.  
- Duke
- 09/01/07 - 398 That the Board receive the consent items and approve the Carried  
recommendations contained therein, as presented.  
- Bean
- 09/01/07 – 399 That the Board approve the recommendation that the following specific Carried  
pieces of schoolground equipment be removed at the end of the 2006/07  
school year because they do not meet CSA standards and cannot be  
modified,:  
Rouleau – wooden structure  
Briercrest – swing set and slide  
Mortlach – wooden structure, stand alone slide  
Avonlea – wooden structure  
Mossbank – all equipment except swings  
Willow Bunch – one warped see-saw and one log walk  
Crane Valley – metal structure  
- Young
- 09/01/07 - 400 That the Board go into closed session at 11:05 a.m. Carried  
- Duke

09/01/07 - 401 That the Board move into open session at 12:18 p.m. Carried  
 - McMaster

09/01/07 - 402 That the Board establish the following criteria to identify schools to be Carried  
 reviewed for consideration of the school’s future for 2007/08:

Criteria	Communities with One School	Communities with More than One School
Grade Clusters	-clusters considered include K-5, 6-9 and 10-12 -20 per cluster minimum -one cluster below 20 activates review	N/A
Maximum number of grades per class	-three grades maximum per class -more than 3 activates review	N/A
Credits at the secondary level (24 credits are required at the secondary level for graduation)	-less than a total of 30 credits at the 10,20,30 level activates review -teacher delivery of programs within the school	-less than a total of 30 credits at the 10,20, 30 level activates review -teacher delivery of programs within the school
Pupil teacher ratio	-PTR targeted for 2007-8 is 14.25:1 -range of 11:1 – 18:1 is acceptable -outside the range in current PTR activates review	-PTR targeted for consultation purposes is 14.25:1 -range of 11:1 – 18:1 is acceptable -outside the range in current PTR activates review
Projected enrollment for 2007-8	-less than 60 FTE activates review	-K-8 less than 175 FTE activates review -9-12 less than 300 FTE activates review
Average annual enrolment decline from 2002-7 based on FTE (4 year average)	-greater than 5% activates review	-greater than 5% activates review
Excess facility capacity	-below 46% activates review	-below 70% activates review
Annual maintenance costs above average	-average cost per student is \$737 -greater than 20% above average cost activates review (\$884 or greater)	-average cost per student is \$737 -greater than 20% above average cost activates review (\$884 or greater)

And that the number of criteria identified be a minimum of 6 for communities with one school, and 3 or more for communities with more than one school; and the students be able to be accommodated and facilitated in another school(s) for 2007/08; and the majority of students requiring transportation may be accommodated with a pick-up time of no earlier than 7:30 a.m.

- Buckler

**Recorded vote:**

**For:** Stewart, Boughen, Young, Piché, Duke, McMaster, Bean & Buckler

**Opposed:** Gleim, Lethbridge

- 09/01/07 - 403 That pursuant to the criteria established, the Board conduct reviews of the following schools in January 2007, including consultation meetings with the applicable School Community Councils: Carried
- Briercrest School
  - Chaplin School
  - Crane Valley School
  - École Ross School (Moose Jaw)
  - Eyebrow School
  - Limerick School
  - Willow Bunch School
- Piché

**Recorded vote:**

**For:** Stewart, Boughen, Young, Piché, Duke, McMaster, Bean & Buckler

**Opposed:** Gleim, Lethbridge

- 09/01/07 – 404 That the Board change the date for the next regular Board meeting from February 6, 2007 to February 1, 2007 @ 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at central office in Moose Jaw. Carried
- Young
- 09/01/07 – 405 That we break for lunch at 12:25 p.m. Carried
- Stewart
- 09/01/07 – 406 That we reconvene at 1:05 p.m. Carried
- Stewart

Gord Stewart declared the January meetings with the School Community Councils to be ‘Committee of the whole’ meetings, with each meeting deemed to be a half meeting.

- 09/01/07 – 407 That for the 2007/08 school year, the Prairie South School Division run both the Alternative School Year Calendar and the Regular School Year Calendar simultaneously. Secondly, that these calendars include common commencement and completion dates, division and school based inservice/organizational dates and teacher-parent interview dates. Carried
- Piché
- 09/01/07 - 408 That the Board approve the 2007 Retirement Early Notice Incentive as stated in the proposal presented. Carried
- Young
- 09/01/07 – 409 That the Board approve the tender of \$1,346,767 plus GST from C & S Builders Ltd. for the Prince Arthur School basement restoration and water intrusion remediation, as presented. Carried
- Duke

- 09/01/07 - 410 That the Board approve awarding the tenders for the purchase of school buses as follows: Carried  
8 – 36 passenger buses = \$601,158 (\$579,035 net of GST rebate) from Warner Industries;  
8 – 54 passenger buses = \$670,440 (\$645,767 net of GST rebate) from Briggs Bus Sales;  
9 – 72 passenger buses = \$739,985 (\$712,753 net of GST rebate) from Briggs Bus Sales.  
- Piché
- 09/01/07 - 411 That the meeting be adjourned at 2:00 p.m. Carried  
- Piché

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G. Stewart  
Chair

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V. Geddes  
Superintendent of Business and Operations

Next Regular Board Meeting:

Date: Thursday, February 1, 2007  
Location: Central Office