

**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 5, 2013 at 10:00 a.m.**

Attendance: Ms. C. Christopherson-Cote (via teleconference); Mr. D. Crabbe; Mr. S. Davidson (via teleconference); Mr. R. Gleim (via teleconference); Ms. J. Jelinski; Mr. A. Kessler; Mr. T. McLeod; Mr. J. Radwanski; Mr. B. Swanson; Mr. L. Young; J. Finell, Director of Education; B. Girardin, Superintendent of Business and Operations; L. Meyer, Superintendent of Learning; R. Boughen, Superintendent of Human Resources; B. Compton, Superintendent of School Operations; D. Huschi, Superintendent of School Operations; K. Novak, Superintendent of School Operations; D. Briggs, Communications Coordinator; H. Boese, Executive Assistant

Presentations: Public Section Presentation: Larry Huber, Bert de Gooijer, Darrell Utley (1:00 p.m.)  
Smooth Transitions Monitoring Report, Lori Meyer (2:00 p.m.)

Motions:

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| 03/05/13 – 1870 | That Al Kessler be nominated Chair for this meeting.<br>- Swanson   | Carried  |
| 03/05/13 – 1871 | That the meeting be called to order at 10:36 a.m.<br>- Kessler  | Carried  |
| 03/05/13 – 1872 | The following items were added to the agenda:<br>6.4 Ad Hoc Facilities & Utilization Committee Discussion<br>6.5 Sub Usage (7.1)<br>6.6 Capital Budget Re-allocation (13.3)<br>That the Board adopt the agenda as amended.<br>- Swanson | Carried  |
| 03/05/13 – 1873 | That the Board adopt the Minutes of the regular meeting of February 12, 2013 as amended.<br>- McLeod  | Carried  |
| 03/05/13 – 1874 | That anyone in the gallery who wishes to speak be allowed to do so.<br>- Swanson  | Carried  |
| 03/05/13 – 1875 | That the Board approve Option B as the 2013-2014 school year calendar as submitted.<br>- McLeod   | Carried  |
| 03/05/13 – 1876 | That the Prairie South School Division Board of Education extend their support for the South Hill initiative until the end of the 2013-2014 school year.<br>- Crabbe  | Carried  |
| 03/05/13 – 1877 | That we table motion 03/05/13 – 1876 until after budget discussions.<br>- Young   | Defeated |

That the Board break at 12:10 p.m.

That the Board reconvene at 1:00 p.m.

03/05/13 – 1878

The following schools are to be informed that because of specific pieces of playground equipment do not meet CSA standards and cannot be modified; they will be removed at the end of the 2012/13 school year:

1. Bengough School – climber
2. Chaplin School – climber
3. Coronach School – climber
4. Rockglen School – slide

- Young

03/05/13 – 1879

That we amend motion 03/05/13 – 1878 to include “...they will be removed **as soon as reasonably possible and no later than** the end of the 2012/13 school year.”

- McLeod

Carried

03/05/13 – 1880

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1. Bengough School – climber
2. Chaplin School – climber
3. Coronach School – climber
4. Rockglen School – slide

- Young

Carried

03/05/13 – 1881

That the Board under Policy 109 approve funding in 2013-14 for the Mortlach School Gymnasium upgrade to a maximum of \$4,750. This project has been completed; however, the school’s fundraising portion must be forwarded to the school division. Further, the Board’s portion will be paid in the 2013-14 fiscal year.

- Gleim

Carried

03/05/13 – 1882

That the Board under Policy 109 approve funding in 2013-14 for the Eyebrow School Entrance Relocation to a maximum of \$62,244. The school’s fundraising portion must be received prior to the commencement of the project. Further, the funds will be made available up to and including August 31, 2015 to allow the fundraising to be completed.

- Crabbe

Carried

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| 03/05/13 – 1883                         | That the Board under Policy 109 approve funding in 2013-14 for the Coronach School Kitchen upgrade to a maximum of \$3,000. The school's fundraising portion must be received prior to the commencement of the project. Further, the Board's portion will be paid in the 2013-14 fiscal year.<br>- Christopherson-Cote | Carried |
| 03/05/13 – 1884                         | That we extend the meeting until 4:30 p.m.<br>- Young  | Carried |
| 03/05/13 – 1885                         | That we extend the meeting until 5:00 p.m.<br>- Young  | Carried |
| 03/05/13 – 1886                         | That the Board receive the reports and approve the recommendations contained therein, as presented.<br>- Young   | Carried |
| Ron Gleim left the meeting at 4:35 p.m. |  |         |
| 03/05/13 – 1887                         | That the Board receive the consent items and approve the recommendations contained therein, as presented.<br>- Young   | Carried |

## **Committee Reports**

### Standing Committees:

#### *Higher Literacy & Achievement*

- The committee discussed how they can lead the strategic reading goal, and are looking for more direction from the board before moving ahead with any planning and implementation.
- The committee recognizes the need for further communication about the Early Dismissals and the LITs, so they are hosting a booth at the Annual Meeting of Electors (AME) to share information and answer questions from parents. They are also going to present at the AME on the LITs.
- Further information was shared on the CLf and the review process. The committee is planning on a review group of approx. 4 people to take a half day in mid-March. More details to follow.

#### *Equitable Opportunities*

- The committee provided an update on the development of three locally supported distance learning PAA courses, purchasing central resources for Photography and Cosmetology credits, promoting credit enhancements or certifications and promoting alternative credit options.

#### *Smooth Transitions*

- Although they haven't had a meeting recently, the committee will be pursuing the Prekindergarten expansion once the 2013-2014 budget is done.

#### *Strong System-Wide Accountability and Governance*

- The committee met recently and discussed items on the agenda, such as the Transportation Policy changes and Policy 109 (School Community Development Fund Proposals).

- The committee is also reviewing Division expenditures in greater detail, including public accounts regarding staff expense allowances (travel and professional development) and the process for purchase cards.

*Advocacy, Networking and Marketing*

- The committee has not met recently but has been participating in discussions and planning conference calls for the upcoming Annual Meeting of Electors.

*Rural Catchment Review*

- No report given.

Adhoc Committees:

*South Hill*

- The recent issue of the Bulldog Post is out and the committee would like to congratulate Riverview Collegiate for another wonderful issue and their continued hard work.

**Notice of Motions**

03/05/13 – 1888

That the practice of splitting shifts for custodians/janitors in Moose Jaw schools whereby schools are without custodial/janitorial staff during parts of the school day other than scheduled lunch breaks, be discontinued.

- Swanson

03/05/13 – 1889

That the Board make the Reading strategic goal the priority of the Higher Literacy & Achievement Standing Committee.

- Christopherson-Cote

03/05/13 – 1890

That the Strong System-Wide Accountability and Governance Standing Committee develop and present at the next board meeting, a comprehensive policy regarding subcommittees of our board.

- Christopherson-Cote

**Inquiries**

How many non-instructional days are there in each of the other school divisions in Saskatchewan based on school calendars adopted for the 2013-14 school year?

- Swanson

How many credit cards are in use in Prairie South School Division? How are these allocated? What, if any, terms/benefits are associated with the cards?

- Swanson

When will the Prairie South School Division Board of Education and Administration continue its Engagement Plan? The next phase should be Staff Engagement?

- Kessler

**Professional Sharing/Roundtable**

Al Kessler expressed great thanks and appreciation to the Board members involved in the recent We Day in Saskatoon (Colleen Christopherson-Cote, Jackie Jelinski, Jan Radwanski, Shawn Davidson). He also thanked administration for partnering with We Day and allowing our students to experience this one-of-a-kind event.

**Adjournment**

03/05/13 – 1891

That the meeting be adjourned at 4:55 p.m.  
- Crabbe

Carried

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Al Kessler  
Chair-Elect

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Bernie Girardin  
Superintendent of Business and Operations

**Next Regular Board Meeting:**

Date: April 2, 2013  
Location: Central Office, Moose Jaw