

Turtle River School Division

Regular Board Meeting Minutes - November 14, 2023

Chair K. Wilkinson, Vice-Chair C. Senkowski, were present.

Trustee A. Petrowski was present remotely via cellphone.

Trustees J. Whyte & F. Soucy were not present.

Also present: B. Szymesko, Superintendent, S. Desjardins, Secretary Treasurer.

Turtle River School Division operates on Treaty 2 lands; the traditional lands of the Anishinaabe peoples, and the homeland of the Métis Nation. The Turtle River School Division respects the Treaties that were made on this territory, we acknowledge the harms and mistakes of the past and we dedicate ourselves to move forward in partnership with Indigenous communities in a spirit of reconciliation and collaboration.

The Turtle River School Division will focus on meeting the overall needs of its students. In doing so, the Board will maximize the use of specialized programs and facilities to provide the greatest opportunities for student learning and growth. The implementation of these programs is guided by goals that assist students to reach the high degree of self-actualization necessary to become self-sufficient contributing members of society.

- 1.00 Call to Order at 6:11 pm.
- 2.00 Reading of Mission and Treaty Acknowledgment.
- 3.00 Additions to the Agenda.
- 4.00 Approval of the Agenda.

Resolution No.1 (Petrowski/Senkowski) That the Board approve the amended agenda.

Carried.

5.00 Adoption of Board Minutes

Resolution No. 2 (Senkowski/Petrowski) That the minutes of the regular meeting on October 10, 2023 be adopted subject to correction for errors and ommissions.

Carried.

- 6.00 Business Arising from the Minutes.
- 7.00 In-Camera.

Resolution No. 3 (Senkowski/Petrowski) That the Board move into the "Committee of the Whole."

Carried.

Resolution No. 4 (Petrowski/Senkowski) That the Board move out of the "Committee of the Whole."

Carried.

8.00 Delegations.



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9.00 Board Committee Reports.

10.10 Superintendent's Report

Division Planning and Programming:

Turtle River School Division K-12 Framework for Continuous Improvement for 2023-2024 (document).

Turtle River School Division Plan 2022-2025 & 2022/2023 Division Plan Reporting (document).

Healthy Schools Grant Report for 2022-2023 (document).

Grade 10 Provincial Pilot Evaluation for Mathematics and Reading and Responding letter enclosed.

Administration:

Parents and Guardians of students at Alonsa School are presenting a petition for religious exercises to be conducted for the children of those parents or guardian in this school year (attachment with signatures).

Correspondence:

Letter from the Premier of Manitoba – Oct. 19, 2023 Re: Letter to Minister Altomare

Allan Hawkins, Executive Director Inclusion Support Branch – Oct 30, 2023 Re: Supporting Student Presence and Engagement

Brian O'Leary Deputy Minister – Nov 1, 2023 Re: Safe and Caring Schools: A Policy Directive Enhancing Proactive Supports to Minimize the Use of Suspension

Manitoba Education and Early Childhood Learning Up-dates for Fall 2023.

Staffing:

Resolution No. 5 (Petrowski/Senkowski) That the request for personal leave without pay for the period of February 20 - February 28, 2024 as outlined in the Superintendent's report 4(a) be approved.

Carried



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Resolution No. 6 (Senkowski/Petrowski) That the request for personal leave without pay for the period of January 8, 2024 to January 26, 2024 as outlined in the Superintendent's report 4(b) be approved.

Carried.

Staff hiring list was provided.

Resolution No. 7 (Senkowski/Petrowski) That the Superintendent's report be received.

Carried.

10.20 Secretary Treasurer's Report.

Resolution No. 8 (Petrowski/Senkowski) That the financial statements for the month ending July 31, 2023 be accepted.

Carried.

Resolution No. 9 (Senkowski/Petrowski) That the financial statements for the month ending August 31, 2023 be accepted.

Carried.

Resolution No. 10 (Petrowski/Senkowski) That the financial statements for the month ending September 30, 2023 be accepted.

Carried.

Staffing

We have not been successful filling the open route in Ste. Rose. With MPI on strike it is our understanding that they are behind over 1,500 road tests and will take time before they get caught up. They are not even booking any NEW road tests.

Division Owned Vehicles

With the lack of available drivers we are noticing our vans are being used a lot more. We have a couple of co-op teams that use them weekly to transport players to practice at another school. The best mode of transportation is a school bus but it might be time to explore more options. We are looking at what PTU and MSBA have to say on transporting students in a passenger van.

The Board discussed about tendering two of our cars the 2007 red focus and the 2005 cavalier.

Ste. Rose Shop

MCM reached out and was asking if we are moving forward regarding the addition of a computer lab to the shop in Ste. Rose.

Snow Tenders

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Resolution No. 11 (Petrowski/Senkowski) That the tender from Jennifer Sherman for snow removal at Alonsa School for the 2023/2024 season be accepted.

Carried.

Resolution No. 12 (Petrowski/Senkowski) That the tender from Bob Fuglsang for snow removal at Glenella School for the 2023/2024 season be accepted Carried.

Resolution No. 13 (Senkowski/Petrowski) That the tender from Scott's Trucking for snow removal at McCreary School for the 2023/2024 season be accepted.

Carried.

Resolution No. 14 (Petrowski/Senkowski) That the tender from Scott's Trucking for snow removal at McCreary Bus Garage for the 2023/2024 season be accepted.

Carried.

Resolution No. 15 (Senkowski/Petrowski) That the tender from John Tucker Trucking for snow removal at Ste. Rose School for the 2023/2024 season be accepted.

Carried.

Resolution No. 16 (Petrowski/Senkowski) That the Secretary-Treasurer's report be received.

Carried.

11.00 Finance

Resolution No. 17 (Petrowski/Senkowski) That the Accounts as presented be paid.

A/P cheques numbered from 027902 to 027935 in the amount of \$409,891.50.

A/P cheques numbered from 027936 to 027974 in the amount of \$66,251.48.

A/P cheques numbered from 027975 to 028015 in the amount of \$461,988.37.

A/P cheques numbered from 028016 to 028069 in the amount of \$491,159.79. Carried.

12.00 Board Information and Correspondence

12.1 Action Required

The Board reviewed all changes that were discussed on our By-Law.

Resolution No. 18(Petrowski/Senkowski) That Procedural By-Law 183 Law to Regulate the Proceeding of the Board of Trustees of the School Division of Turtle River therof, be read a third time and finally passed, signed and sealed.

12.2 Information

 Region 1 Board Collaboration Initiative from Park West School Board – ACTION REQUIRED.

12.3 MSBA Information

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- E-mail Requesting for table Hosts at the Fall General Meeting (responses need to be in by Nov 10 so if you are interested let me know ASAP)
- Manitoba Association for Career Development (MACD)
- Memo Trustees CSBA Study for discussion at Fall Mtgs
- Nominate an educator today!
- PG Partnership Grant-CAB v2 application Oct 2023
- e-news October 11, 2023
- e-news October 25, 2023
- MCIEB Indigenous Education Gathering Save the Date!
- Fall General Meeting 2023_Agenda and Sessions
- Security and Safety Summit for Education Sector 2023
- Holocause Education Month
- Memo re Requests for Action Slated for Archive in 2024
- Memo Take Our Kids to Work Day Oct 2023
- MASBO Minute October 2023
- MASBO Minute November 2023
- Non-Teaching Collective Bargaining UPDATE October 4 2023
- Non-Teaching Collective Bargaining UPDATE October 26 2023
- Mamàhtawisiwin Symposium Save the Date
- PRESS RELEASE CSBA Members and Federal Leaders Meet in Ottawa
- 2023 FGM Program and Registration Memo Preliminary (Sep 7) (003)
- UNICEF Canada NCD Schools
- 2023 Western SD Arbitration Western Teachers Association

13.00 New Business/Other Business Report

Two Teacher resignations as of December 31, 2023 with their contracts concluding December 31, 2023 were presented.

14.00 Announcements

15.00 Adjournment

Resolution No. 19 (Petrowski/Senkowski) That the meeting adjourn.

Carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:04pm.

Next Regular Board Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 12, 2023. The Regular Board Meeting will start at 6:00 pm.