

Minutes of the Regular Board of Trustees Meeting of Northern Gateway Public Schools

April 25th, 2017

Board Room of the Division Office in Whitecourt, AB

Opening

A. Opening

Call to Order and Roll Call

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

The April 25, 2017, 2017 meeting was called to order by Chair Muir at 10:05 a.m.

Chair Judy Muir, Trustees, Cindy Granley, Jim Hailes, Sherry Jeffreys, Albert Schalm, Terry Slemko, Gerry Steinke and Administrators Kevin Andrea, Superintendent, Michael Gramatovich, Secretary-Treasurer, and Wendy Robertson, Recording Secretary, were present at this time.

Rhett Czaban, Director of Transportation and Lisa Bakos, Communications Officer were present at this time.

Trustee Govenlock participated via video-conference.

Michelle Brennick, Deputy Superintendent, Trustee O'Neill, and Milly McGregor, Assistant Secretary Treasurer, were absent from the meeting.

Additions/Deletions to the Agenda

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- D.1. Onoway High Honours Band Funding
- D.2. Notice of Motion
- I.3.a) Reflections/Trustee Govenlock
- I.3.b) TEBA Update

Acceptance of Agenda

3. Acceptance of Agenda

3561-17

Moved by Trustee Granley– that the agenda for the April 25th, 2017 Regular Board Meeting be adopted as amended.

Motion Carried

Minutes of the April 11th, 2017 Regular Board Meeting

C. Minutes of the April 11th, 2017 Regular Board Meeting

3562-17

Moved by Trustee Slemko– that the minutes of the April 11th, 2017 Regular Board Meeting be adopted.

Motion Carried

Appointments and Delegations

B. Appointments and Delegations

Rhett Czaban, Director of Transportation, reported that meetings are commencing to discuss the issue of bus transportation, bus stops, crosswalks, etc., in regards to the new St. Joesph School build located in the lower Whitecourt area.

Rhett Czaban, Director of Transportation, left the meeting at 10:45 a.m.

Action Items

Onoway Honours Band

3563-17

Notice of Motion

Additional Action Items

Information/Reports

ASBA/PSBAA Update

D. Action Items

Onoway Honours Band

Moved by Trustee Hailes – that the Board provide funding for the Onoway High School Honours Band to participate at the ASBA SGM in Red Deer, scheduled for June 5th, 2017.

Motion Carried

Notice of Motion

Trustee Slemko provided notice that at the Board meeting of May 9th, 2017, he will make the following motion:

“That the regular meetings of the Board commence at 5:00 p.m. effective August 1st, 2017.”

Additional Action Items

Nil

E. Information Reports

ASBA/PSBAA Update

Letter from Mary Martin, President, ASBA:

Provided for information.

Letter – Re-election 2017:

Provided for information.

Edwin Parr Awards Banquet:

Disappointment was expressed on the location and ticket restriction.

Student's attending PSBAA SGM:

Provided for information.

Funding for Band:

Provided for information.

PSBAA

A response to the presentation by "Support our Students" was provided by Trustee Steinke.

3564-17

Moved by Trustee Steinke– that the Board respond to PSBAA relating to material presented by "Support our Schools".

Motion Carried

Superintendent's Report

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Written report provided for information.

Finance

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NGPS Quarterly Report provided for information.

ASEBP Benefit Claims Experience Report

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Provided for information.

Court Ruling in Saskatchewan

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A court of Queen's Bench judge in Saskatchewan has ruled that non-Catholic students may not attend Catholic schools in the province, as of June 30, 2018.

Provided for information.

Northland Act Communication

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Letter to Minister Eggen provided for information.

Rural Caucus Alberta School Boards Update

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Provided for information.

3565-17

Moved by Trustee Hailes– that the Board send a letter to the Rural Caucus of Alberta School Boards, regarding the 45 CEU cap.

Motion Carried

AP 547 – Public Use of School Facilities

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Provided for information.

Whitecourt Joint Use Agreement DRAFT

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Provided for information.

Graduation Dates

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Provided for information.

Proposed Board Meeting Dates

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Provided for information.

Review of School Tours

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- are valuable to get the flavor of the school – how it feels and presents itself
- some schools have trustee involvement, they were very enjoyable.
- schools shouldn't have to do anything extra but the schools that did was very valuable
- some confusion with lunches – trustees may want to go out of the school for lunch
- all trustees should make an effort to attend all school tours
- excellent school tours this year, a lot of variety
- do not feel we need school tours every year
- all schools did an excellent job
- administration to extend a thank you to all the schools for the effort and time they put into the tours
- next year's focus will be a guided tour of the schools by maintenance staff; will be done the first year of every new Board.
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Motion Review Cycle

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Provided for information.

Additional Report Items

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14.a) Reflections/Trustee Govenlock

Trustee Govenlock withdrew 14.a) at 1:58 p.m.

3566-17

Moved by Trustee Steinke– that the Board accept Information/Reports E1- E13 as information.

Motion Carried

Topics for Future Discussions

F. Topics for Future Discussions

Nil

Requests for Information

G. Requests for Information

Nil

Meeting Highlights

H. Meeting Highlights

1. School Bands at ASBA & PSBAA
2. Transportation Update
3. 45 CEU Cap
4. Judge Ruling for Saskatchewan

Lisa Bakos, Communications Officer, left the meeting at 1:56 p.m.

In-Camera Items

I. In-Cameral Items

3567-17

Moved by Trustee Schalm – that the Board go in-camera at 1:58 p.m. and that Kevin Andrea, and Michael Gramatovich be invited to remain.

Motion Carried

3568-17

Moved by Trustee Steinke – that the Board
come out of in-camera at 2:37 p.m.

Motion Carried

Adjournment

I. **Adjournment**

3569-17

Moved by Trustee Schalm- that the meeting be
adjourned at 2:38 p.m.

Motion Carried

Board Chair

Secretary-Treasurer