

**MINUTES
WESTERN SCHOOL DIVISION – BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Call to Order: 7:00 PM

D.O. BOARD ROOM/ONLINE

Present: Brian Fransen, David Guenther, Barb Petkau, Robyn Wiebe, Darcy Wolfe
Division Office Administration: Stephen Ross, Marianne Fenn, Carl Pedersen, Allan Toews

1.00 AGENDA and MINUTES

1.01 Approval of Agenda

Motion #065-21 Moved that the Board approve the agenda as amended to include items 3.03 A4b – Bullying Awareness and Prevention Week and 3.03 A4c – Financial Literacy Month.
Guenther / Wolf, Carried.

1.02 Adoption of Minutes

A. November 9, 2020 Regular Board Meeting
Motion #066-21 Moved that the Board approve the Minutes of the November 9, 2020 Regular Board Meeting.
Petkau / Wolfe, Carried.

Motion #067-21 Moved that the Board move in-camera as a Committee of the Whole.
Wiebe / Petkau, Carried

2.00 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE (in camera) (7:00 – 7:30 PM)

Items discussed:

- A. Personnel
- B. Programming
- C. Policy
- D. Facilities
- E. Other Items

Motion #068-21 Moved that the Board move out of in-camera and rise and report.
Wolfe / Fransen, Carried

3.00 PRESENTATIONS and INFORMATION (7:30 PM)

Treaty Acknowledgement

The Western School Division operates on the traditional lands of the Anishinaabe and Dakota peoples. The Western School Division respects the Treaties that were made on this territory.

Invocation: Brian Fransen

3.01 Board Learning

3.02 Delegations and Other Timed Items

3.03 School and Division Administration Items

- A. Reports
 - 1. Staffing Activity

2. Board Priorities and Monitoring
 - a. Morden Collegiate Report (deferred to future meeting)
 - b. Presentation from Korina Peters, Numeracy Coach
3. Programming
 - a. School Christmas Concerts Online
 - b. Temporary Remote Learning
 - c. Addition of Non-Instructional Days
4. Manitoba Education
 - a. Manitoba Remote Learning Support Centre
 - b. Bullying Awareness and Prevention Week
 - c. Financial Literacy Month
5. Updated / New Administrative Procedures
6. Other Items
 - a. Division Office Christmas Schedule

B. Trustee Reports

4.00 BOARD ACTION ITEMS

4.01 Items from the Committee of the Whole

A. Land Purchase

Motion #069-21

Moved that the Board support the purchase of Lot 7 & 9 Block 53 SS Plan 863 MLTO subject to Provincial approval and support.
Wiebe / Petkau, Carried

4.02 Progress Update on Board Priorities Plan

5.00 OTHER BUSINESS

5.01 Trustee Meeting Authorizations

5.02 Correspondence

A. MSBA – E-news November 18, 2020

5.03 Reminders

- A. November 24, 2020 – Region 2 MSBA Meeting
- B. December 7, 2020 – WESTA/WSD Liaison Meeting
- C. December 7, 2020 – Committee of the Whole Meeting
- D. December 14, 2020 – Regular Board Meeting
- E. January 4, 2021 – Deadline for Student Citizenship Award applications
- F. January 4, 2021 – Committee of the Whole Meeting

5.04 Comments/Concerns

Q. Is there anything set up in regards to mental health checks on kids that may be struggling with the isolation or fear of our current circumstances?

A. Schools have been spreading information to students on supports available to students both in person and online.

Q. Has the idea being considered to have snacks delivered to kids for their break times?

A. The Division is open to suggestions on how to achieve this. During this pandemic, shared home baking and similar initiatives are difficult to manage.

Q. Is the Board able to speak to the use of the proposed land purchase or provide further details.

A. Further details remain confidential at this time

6.00 ADJOURNMENT

Motion #072-21

Motion to adjourn. (8:17 PM)
Wolfe / Petkau, Carried.

Chairperson

Secretary-Treasurer

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