

MINUTES

THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE
TURTLE MOUNTAIN SCHOOL DIVISION BOARD OF TRUSTEES
WAS HELD ON OCTOBER 9, 2019 AT 5:00 P.M.
AT THE DIVISION BOARD OFFICE
KILLARNEY, MANITOBA

MEMBERS PRESENT: Garth Nichol Karen Wear
Rodney Hintz Robert MacTavish

MEMBERS PRESENT VIA ELECTRONIC
MEDIUM: Leah Cann

MEMBER REGRETS: Shirley Highfield

ADMINISTRATION: Tim De Ruyck, Superintendent/CEO
Grant Wiesner, Assistant Superintendent of Student Services

ADMINISTRATION
PRESENT VIA
ELECTRONIC
MEDIUM:

ADMINISTRATION REGRETS Kathy Siatecki, Secretary-Treasurer

1:01 Mr. Nichol called the meeting to order. He welcomed everyone.

1:02 ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA:

MacTavish Hintz

That the agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

1:02 **DELEGATIONS AND PETITIONS:**

a) Reading Recovery – Lisa Bos, Presenter (**attachments**)

1:03 **ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES:**

Hintz Wear

That the minutes of the September 11, 2019 Organizational Board Meeting be adopted.

CARRIED

MacTavish Hintz

That the minutes of the September 25, 2019 Regular Board Meeting be adopted.

CARRIED

1:04 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

1:05 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Mr. Nichol, on behalf of the Chair of the Committee presented her report on the following:

- i) Operations and Maintenance Report
- ii) Transportation Report
- iii) Co-Teaching 2018-2019
- iv) Mental Health Initiative
- v) Student Services Manual
- vi) Board Meeting Calendar
- vii) Study Manitoba
- viii) Policy Review Schedule
- ix) Out of Province Trips
- x) Strategic Planning Update
- xi) Technology Request – Killarney Foundation
- xii) Canteen Services Update – Boissevain School

Nichol MacTavish

CARRIED

- xi) Refer to Superintendent
- xii) Refer to Superintendent

1:06 CORRESPONDENCE:

FOR ACTION:

- a) MSBA, e-mail, October 2, 2019, re: Creative Convergence Conference, October 24, 25, 2019, Winnipeg, Manitoba (**attachment**)

Refer to Further Business

- b) MSBA, e-mail, October 2, 2019, re: UCN Annual Truth & Reconciliation Gathering, March 3, 4, 2020, Thompson, Manitoba (attachment)

Refer to Further Business

- c) Safety Services Manitoba, e-mail, October 2, 2019, re: Safety Professionals Conference, January 21-23, 2020, Winnipeg, Manitoba (attachment)

Refer to Further Business

- d) MSBA, e-mail, September 25, 2019, re: Regional Meetings November 22, 23, 2019, Winnipeg Manitoba (attachment)

Refer to Further Business

- e) MSBA, e-mail, September 25, 2019, re: Educational Seminar, November 2, 2019, Winnipeg Manitoba (attachment)

Refer to Further Business

- f) MSBA, e-mail, September 12, 2019, re: Call for Nominations and Resolutions 2020 (attachment)

Refer to Further Business

- g) MSBA, e-mail September 12, 2019, Congress 2020, Banff, Alberta (attachment)

Refer to Further Business

- h) MSBA, e-mail, September 19, 2019, 2019 MSBA Member Services Survey (attachment)

Refer to Further Business

FOR INFORMATION:

(Refer to file.)

- a) MSBA e-mail, October 2, 2019, re: CSBA Statement, Quebec Bill 40. (attachment)
- b) MSBA, e-mail, September 26, 2019, re: Supreme Court Visit to Manitoba (attachment)
- c) MSBA, e-mail, September 25, 2019, re: E-News Bulletin (attachment)
- d) MSBA, e-mail, September 20, 2019, re: Labor Relations, CPI Unemployment Update (attachment)

- e) MSBA, e-mail, September 18, 2019, Executive Highlights (**attachment**)
- f) MSBA, e-mail, September 16, 2019, re: Federal Climate Action Incentive Fund Update (**attachment**)
- g) MAPC, letter, September 11, 2019, re: Empowering Parents Guide (**attachment**)
- h) MSBA, e-mail September 12, 2019, E-bulletin (**attachment**)
- i) MSBA, e-mail, September 5, 2019, Update on Environment Canada draft agreement (**attachment**)

1:07 ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

- a) Superintendent:

Mr. Tim De Ruyck provided a written report on the following topics:

- i) Divisional PD Day, September 23, 2019
- ii) Future Budget Deliberations 2020-2021
- iii) Warranty Work
- iv) Strategic Planning
- v) Superintendent/CEO PGP

MacTavish Wear

That the report be received.

CARRIED

- item ii) Refer to Further Business
- item v) Refer to In-Camera

- b) Assistant Superintendent:

Mr. Grant Wiesner provided a written report on the following topics:

- i) Promise Years
- ii) Informal Reading Assessments
- iii) Student Services PD

Wear MacTavish

That the report be received.

CARRIED

c) Secretary-Treasurer:

Ms. Kathy Siatecki provided a written report on the following topics:

i) Finance

a) Accounts

Hintz

Wear

That the report be received.

CARRIED

1:08 STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1:09 SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1:10 INFORMATION:

a) Trustee Concerns, Workshops, Conferences

b) MSBA/Government Items

c) Employee Group Report

1:11 FURTHER BUSINESS:

1:05 CORRESPONDENCE FOR ACTION:

a) MSBA, e-mail, October 2, 2019, re: Creative Convergence Conference, October 24, 25, 2019, Winnipeg (**attachment**)

The Board of Trustees reviewed this agenda item and no further action is required

To be received as information

b) MSBA, e-mail, October 2, 2019, re: UCN Annual Truth & Reconciliation Gathering, March 3, 4, 2020, Thompson, Manitoba. (**attachment**)

The Board of Trustees reviewed this agenda item and no further action is required.

To be received as information

c) Safety Services Manitoba, e-mail, October 2, 2019, re: Safety Professionals Conference, January 21-23, 2020, Winnipeg, Manitoba (**attachment**)

The Board of Trustees reviewed this agenda item and Rob MacTavish will represent the Board of Trustees at this event

Refer to Motions

- d) MSBA, e-mail, September 25, 2019, re: Regional Meetings November 22, 23, 2019, Winnipeg Manitoba ([attachment](#))

The Board of Trustees reviewed this agenda item and Rodney Hintz, Karen Wear and possibly others will represent the Board of Trustees at this event.

Refer to Motions

- e) MSBA, e-mail, September 25, 2019, re: Educational Seminar, November 2, 2019, Winnipeg Manitoba ([attachment](#))

The Board of Trustees reviewed this agenda item and no further action is required.

To be received as information

- f) MSBA, e-mail, September 12, 2019, re: Call for Nominations and Resolutions 2020 ([attachment](#))

The Board of Trustees reviewed this agenda item and have deferred this to the next Board Meeting.

Refer to next Board Meeting.

- g) MSBA, e-mail September 12, 2019, Congress 2020 ([attachment](#))

The Board of Trustees reviewed this agenda item and no further action is required.

To be received as information

1:06 ADMINISTRATION:

- a) Superintendent:

2. Update and Item for Future Budget Deliberations, Divisional I.T. Position and Technician Position

As Trustees are aware, for six years now we have had a .50 FTE divisional teaching position dedicated to I.T. integration, in addition to a small portion of time assigned specifically in Killarney and Boissevain Schools. This divisional position has been very well utilized. In addition to the primary role of working directly in classrooms with students and teachers, this position includes the following:

1. Assigning and overseeing the computer technician (one full-time, one part-time as needed on a contract basis).
2. Overseeing the division SIS (student information system), which is currently changing from Maplewood to Edsembli.
3. Purchasing divisional hardware and software licensing.

4. R & D as needed, such as when we established video conference capability.

Position Description: <https://www.tmsd.mb.ca/procedures/K/K-1aa.pdf>

Over the past 10+ years the integration of technology into classrooms has continued to grow exponentially. This is no different in any other school division. Textbooks are being used less, online resources and software more. With more hardware comes more maintenance requirements, something which is simply unavoidable. This maintenance requires not only maintaining the end-user hardware, but also the networks and all of the software, including ensuring we remain compliant with software licensing agreements.

In larger urban centres some divisions have gone the route of leasing all equipment and contracting out all maintenance. While potentially attractive, this is simply not an option in rural Manitoba. We would not receive timely service and it would also be cost-prohibitive. For the purposes of this report, and as a precursor to budget deliberations for 2020-2021, I am communicating here that I see a need to strengthen our human resource support in the area of I.T. Prior to budget deliberations I will prepare some scenarios, being as cost-effective as possible, for the consideration of the Board. This will include attempting to reallocate existing funds as opposed to seeking additional funds. It is my view our I.T. Leader is working at a pace and scope which is no longer sustainable, and we do not have enough technician support. Other divisions comparable in size have more I.T. support, some have a dedicated staff person who works solely with the S.I.S. system, etc. There may be some initial discussion Trustees want to have here, and again I will bring more detail to budget deliberations.

The Board of Trustees discussed this agenda item and concur with the current short-term solution. Further the Board wishes to defer this item to Budget Deliberations 2020-2021 for future considerations.

Refer to Budget 2020-2021

2:00 **MOTIONS:**

a) Motions that have served notice:

b) Regular motions

i) Motion 19-48

MacTavish

Hintz

That the Board Meeting Calendar be approved as attached.

CARRIED

ii) Motion 19-49

Hintz

MacTavish

That expenses for the Board of Trustees to attend Regional Meetings November 22, 23 2019 in Winnipeg Manitoba be approved as per Board Policy B-4.

CARRIED

iii) Motion 19-50

Wear Hintz

That expenses for the Board of Trustees to attend the Safety Professionals Conference, January 21-23, 2020 in Winnipeg, Manitoba be approved as per Board Policy B-4.

CARRIED

c) Motions that must serve notice

2:01 ANNOUNCEMENTS:

2:02 IN-CAMERA SESSION:

Hintz MacTavish

That we move into In-Camera

Mr. Wiesner was excused from the meeting

CARRIED

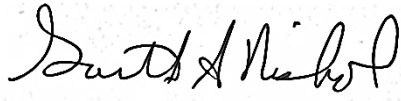
i) Personnel – T. De Rucyk

Wear MacTavish

That we move out of the In-Camera

CARRIED

2:03 MacTavish to adjourn at 6:35 p.m.



GARTH NICHOL
Board Chairperson



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