



Turtle River School Division

Regular Board Meeting – April 25, 2023

Chair K. Wilkinson, Vice-Chair C. Senkowski and Trustees J. Whyte, F. Soucy, A. Petrowski were present.

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

Turtle River School Division operates on Treaty 2 lands; the traditional lands of the Anishinaabek 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 “In Camera” portion of the meeting was called to order at 5:35 pm.
The Regular Meeting was called to order at 6:32 pm.

1. The board moved in and out of camera.
2. The agenda was adopted.
3. The minutes of the April 11, 2023 regular board meeting were approved.
4. The Accessibility Plan amendment was approved.
5. Maintenance Supervisor’s Report.
 - a. Cynthia Wiebe was hired as a substitute custodian/cleaner.
 - b. The Maintenance Supervisor has touched base with MCM Architects and discussed our options for opening up the adjoining wall separating the wood shop and the “old weight room” at Ste. Rose School. MCM will do up some drawings outlining what was discussed to get a basic guideline on what the project would entail and we can make an educated decision on if it’s a project the division would want to fund or if the project is something we have to apply funding for. We will continue to have this on our 5 year capital plan.
 - c. The Maintenance Supervisor and Secretary Treasurer attended the MASBO meetings in Russell on April 14th.
6. Transportation Supervisor’s Report
 - a. School bus cancellation report was shared.
7. Superintendent’s Business Report.
 - a. A resignation was accepted.
 - b. A resignation was accepted.
 - c. Todd Butler’s position was reduced to a .6 permanent teaching principal.
 - d. MyKayla Kohlman was hired as a full time term teacher.
 - e. A personal leave without pay was approved.
8. Secretary Treasurer’s Business Report.
 - a. A leave of absence was approved.
 - b. Shannon Desjardins was appointed the acting transportation supervisor.
9. The accounts were approved.

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10. New Business Report.
 - a. A resignation was accepted.
 - b. The Turtle River School Division Decision Making Matrix Policy was approved.
 - c. The Turtle River School Division Vision, Mission and Values Policy was approved.
11. The Board moved in and out of camera.
12. Other Reports
 - a
13. Superintendent's Information Report.
 - a. Review Strategic Plan for 2023 to 2025. A special meeting is set up for May 4, 2023 to review in detail.
14. Secretary Treasurer's Information Report.
 - a. The 5-Year Capital Plan was discussed.
 - b. School-based Child Care Centre – Expression of Interest. We will be submitting an expression of interest for Glenella School for the in-school daycare centre.
 - c. Yearend Analysis was discussed.
 - d. Teachers becoming bus drivers. Secretary Treasurer reached out to both unions to see if we can come to an agreement on this. She has not heard back from them at this time.
 - e. Non-Teachers Pension Plan – We are hosting an education session on our pension plan April 26, 2023.
 - f. MSBA information was presented.
15. Open Forum
 - a. E2G Policy, discussion on the progress was had. Should have complete policy by the end of May.

Resolutions:

1. A. Petrowski – J. Whyte
THAT the Board move into the “Committee of the Whole.”
Carried.
- TRUSTEE WILKINSON KEPT CHAIR.
PERSONNEL WAS DISCUSSED.
2. J. Whyte – F. Soucy
THAT the Board move out of the “Committee of the Whole.”
Carried.
3. J. Whyte – A. Petrowski
THAT the agenda be adopted.
Carried.
4. C. Senkowski – F. Soucy
THAT the minutes of the regular board meeting on April 11, 2023 be adopted subject to correction for errors and omissions.
Carried.
5. A. Petrowski – J. Whyte
THAT the Accessibility Plan amendment be approved as per attached.
Carried.
6. J. Whyte – A. Petrowski
THAT the Maintenance Supervisor's information report be received.
Carried.

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7. C. Senkowski – F. Soucy
THAT Cynthia Wiebe be accepted as a sub-cleaner for Turtle River School Division effective April 26, 2024.
Carried.
8. F. Soucy – C. Senkowski
THAT the Transportation Supervisor’s information report be received.
Carried.
9. F. Soucy – C. Senkowski
THAT the resignation from Michal Nogaj as a permanent teacher for the Turtle River School Division be accepted effective June 30, 2023.
Carried.
10. C. Senkowski – F. Soucy
THAT the resignation from Mark Dodds as a term teacher for the Turtle River School Division be accepted effective June 30, 2023.
Carried.
11. A. Petrowski – J. Whyte
THAT Todd Butler’s position as a full time permanent teaching principal be reduced from full time to .6 permanent teaching principal for Turtle River School Division be accepted effective September 5, 2023.
Carried.
12. C. Senkowski – F. Soucy
THAT MyKayla Kohlman be employed as a full time term teacher for the Turtle River School Division for the period of September 5, 2023 to June 28, 2024.
Carried.
13. J. Whyte – A. Petrowski
THAT the request for personal leave without pay for the period of June 8, 2023 to June 13, 2023 as outlined in the Superintendent’s Business Report item e) be approved.
Carried.
14. F. Soucy – C. Senkowski
THAT the request for a leave of absence for the period of April 24, 2023 to June 16, 2023 as outlined in the Secretary Treasurer’s Business Report item a) be approved.
Carried.
15. J. Whyte – A. Petrowski
THAT Shannon Desjardins be appointed the Acting Transportation Supervisor for the period of April 24, 2023 to June 16, 2023 be approved.
Carried.
16. C. Senkowski – F. Soucy
THAT the Accounts as presented be paid.
A/P cheques numbered from 027043 to 027061 in the amount of \$ 370,473.69.
A/P cheques numbered from 027062 to 027091 in the amount of \$ 85,108.31.
Carried.
17. J. Whyte – A. Petrowski
THAT the resignation from Duncan Lowry as a permanent teacher for the Turtle River School Division be accepted effective June 30, 2023.
Carried.
18. J. Whyte – A. Petrowski
THAT the Board move into the “Committee of the Whole.”
Carried.
- TRUSTEE WILKINSON KEPT CHAIR.
PERSONNEL WAS DISCUSSED.

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19. C. Senkowski – F. Soucy
THAT the Board move out of the “Committee of the Whole.”
Carried.
20. C. Senkowski – F. Soucy
THAT the Board approve the Turtle River School Division Decision Making Matrix Policy as per attached.
Carried.
21. J. Whyte – A. Petrowski
THAT the Board approve the Turtle River School Division Vision, Mission and Values Policy as per attached.
Carried.
22. C. Senkowski – F. Soucy
THAT the Superintendent’s information report be received.
Carried.
23. J. Whyte – A. Petrowski
THAT the Secretary-Treasurer’s information report be received.
Carried.
24. F. Soucy – C. Senkowski
THAT the meeting adjourn.
Carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:43 pm.

**Next Regular Board Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 9, 2023.
“In Camera” Meeting will start at 5:30 pm.
The Regular Board Meeting will start at 6:30 pm.**

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