



Turtle River School Division

Regular Board Meeting – January 26, 2021

Chair K. Wilkinson, Vice-Chair C. Senkowski and Trustees G. Wilson, F. Soucy, J. Whyte were present remotely via zoom.

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

The “In Camera” portion of the meeting was called to order at 5:32 pm.
The Regular Meeting was called to order at 6:55 pm.

1. The Board moved in and out of camera.
2. The agenda was adopted.
3. The minutes of the January 12, 2021 regular board meeting were approved.
4. Maintenance Supervisor’s Report.
 - a. An online meeting was held on January 22 with representatives from Gardon Construction, MCM Architects, and members of TRSD to discuss the next steps being taken in the process of the vocational addition in Ste. Rose.
 - b. The Province distributed an announcement that they have expanded some funding avenues available for school divisions for capital improvements throughout the divisions.
 - c. The plans to complete the window and door repairs that fall under the Climate Action Incentive grant we received are set to be done over the spring break.
5. Transportation Maintenance Supervisor’s Report.
 - a. The board approved to purchase school buses and accessories through the 2021 Manitoba Education MASBO bus order.
 - b. RM of Alonsa approved the installation of our 4400L powered fuel tank at the southwest end of the fire hall in Eddystone.
 - c. Bus driver concerns were discussed.
6. Superintendent’s Business Report.
 - a. Amanda Nicholson was hired as a .4 term educational assistant.
7. Secretary Treasurer’s Business Report.
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8. The accounts were approved.
9. New Business Report.
 - a. Victoria Prince was hired as a .5 term educational assistant.
 - b. A request for a leave of absence without pay was approved.
 - c. A request for a parental leave was approved.
 - d. A resignation was accepted.
10. Other Reports
 - a. Suspension report was presented.

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11. Superintendent's Information Report.
 - a. A letter from a teacher - attached.
 - b. Remote Learning Support Centre Teacher Request for Service - attached.
12. Secretary Treasurer's Information Report.
 - a. 2021-2022 Budget Survey is now online.
 - b. 2021-2022 Budget was discussed.
 - c. Expended Capital Support Program 2020/2021 was discussed.
 - d. COVID-19 expense was shared.
 - e. Seniority List was shared.
 - f. MSBA information was presented.
13. Open Forum
 - a.

Resolutions:

1. G. Wilson – J. Whyte
THAT the Board move into the "Committee of the Whole."

Carried.
- TRUSTEE WILKINSON KEPT CHAIR.
PERSONNEL WAS DISCUSSED.
2. F. Soucy – C. Senkowski
THAT the Board move out of the "Committee of the Whole."

Carried.
3. F. Soucy – J. Whyte
THAT the agenda be adopted.

Carried.
4. C. Senkowski – G. Wilson
THAT the minutes of the regular board meeting on January 12, 2021 be adopted subject to correction for errors and omissions.

Carried.
5. J. Whyte– C. Senkowski
THAT the Maintenance Supervisor's information report be received.

Carried.
6. F. Soucy – G. Wilson
THAT the Transportation Supervisor's information report be received.

Carried.
7. J. Whyte – C. Senkowski
THAT Turtle River School Division purchase the following school buses and accessories through the 2021 Manitoba Education MASBO bus order:

3-Blue Bird Type C 53 seat gasoline buses	Base Price	\$329,640.00
2-Blue Bird Type C 71 seat gasoline buses	Base Price	\$225,960.00
	Options	\$20,575.00
	Tax	\$69,141.00
		\$645,316.00

Carried.
8. G. Wilson – J. Whyte
THAT Amanda Nicholson be employed as a half time (.4) term educational assistant for the Turtle River School Division for the period of January 18, 2021 to June 29, 2021.

Carried.

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9. F. Soucy – G. Wilson

THAT the Accounts as presented be paid.

A/P cheques numbered from 023410 to 023434 in the amount of \$ 365,571.05.

A/P cheques numbered from 023435 to 023465 in the amount of \$ 72,278.74.

A/P cheques numbered from 023466 to 023492 in the amount of \$ 417,474.72.

Carried.

10. G. Wilson – C. Senkowski

THAT Victoria Prince be employed as a half time (.5) term educational assistant for the Turtle River School Division for the period of February 4, 2021 to June 29, 2021.

Carried.

11. G. Wilson – F. Soucy

THAT the request for leave without pay for the period of January 18, 2021 to March 31, 2021 as outlined in the New Business Report item b) be approved.

Carried.

12. J. Whyte – C. Senkowski

THAT the request for parental leave beginning April 5, 2021 and returning May 31, 2021; equaling a combined total of 8 weeks as outlined in the New Business Report item c) be approved.

Carried.

13. F. Soucy – C. Senkowski

THAT the resignation from Anita Van Schepdael as a regular school bus driver for the Turtle River School Division be accepted effective January 21, 2021.

Carried.

14. C. Senkowski – F. Soucy

THAT the Superintendent's information report be received.

Carried.

15. J. Whyte– G. Wilson

THAT the Secretary-Treasurer's information report be received.

Carried.

16. G. Wilson – J. Whyte

THAT the meeting adjourn.

Carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:56 pm.

Next Regular Board Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 9, 2021.

"In Camera" Meeting will start at 5:30 pm.

The Regular Board Meeting will start at 6:30 pm.

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