



Turtle River School Division

Regular Board Meeting – May 23, 2023

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

Trustee J. Whyte was not present.

Vice-Chair C. Senkowski chaired the “in-camera” meeting and Chair K. Wilkinson chaired the regular meeting.

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 5:25 pm.
The Regular Meeting was called to order at 6:38 pm.

1. The board moved in and out of camera.
2. The agenda was adopted.
3. The minutes of the May 9, 2023 regular board meeting were approved.
4. Maintenance Supervisor’s Report.
 - a. Summer preparations are under way, Custodial supply orders for the year will be submitted this week to allow for supplies to come in for the custodians to prep the schools over the break. The yearly fire alarm/emergency lighting system test are being lined up over the break, as well as fire extinguisher inspections and re-charging.
 - b. We are having a walk through with Darren Thomas (Risk Assessor for Manitoba School Boards Association) as well as an insurance representative at all of the schools this week (May 18th). He plans to check over our fire procedure preparedness, chemical storage and our building code rule awareness and offer any suggestions or areas to improve on after the tours.
 - c. Grass tender recipients have been contacted and some locations have been cut already.
5. Transportation Supervisor’s Report
 - a. Collin Janzen was hired as a spare school bus driver.
 - b. A 30 second ad on CKDM has been placed looking for bus drivers.
6. Superintendent’s Business Report.
 - a. A personal leave was approved.
 - b. A resignation was accepted.
7. Secretary Treasurer’s Business Report.
 - a. The financial statements for the 12-month period ending March 31,2023 was approved.
 - b. The March 2023 financial statements were approved.
 - c. The Board Policy Manual, with amendments was approved.

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8. The accounts were approved.
9. New Business Report.
 - a. Jeannine Delaurier was hired as a Jr. Kindergarten Instructor.
 - b. Amanda Gurke was hired as a Community Connector.
 - c. A leave of absence was approved.
10. Other Reports
 - a. Suspension Report
11. Superintendent's Information Report.
 - a. High school graduation ceremonies – a video greeting is available to school's graduation from Heather Stephanson.
 - b. The Manitoba government has been conducting committee hearings for Bill 35. The Education Administration Amendment Act (Teacher Certification and Professional Conduct) - attachment.
 - c. Two letters to re-visit the TRSD Golf Program.
12. Secretary Treasurer's Information Report.
 - a. Yearend Analysis was shared and discussed.
 - b. CUPE negotiation – CUPE reached out and we are looking at setting up some dates.
 - c. Ecole Laurier Comite de parent – request for matchable \$500.00 community grant was approved
 - d. MASBO – Secretary-Treasurer is attending the 2023 AGM & Conference in Brandon May 31- June 2, 2023.
 - e. MSBA information was presented.
13. Open Forum
 - a.

Resolutions:

1. F. Soucy – A. Petrowski
THAT the Board move into the “Committee of the Whole.”
Carried.
- TRUSTEE SENKOWSKI KEPT CHAIR.
PERSONNEL WAS DISCUSSED.
2. F. Soucy – A. Petrowski
THAT the Board move out of the “Committee of the Whole.”
Carried.
3. C. Senkowski – F. Soucy
THAT the agenda be adopted.
Carried.
4. A. Petrowski – F. Soucy
THAT the minutes of the regular board meeting on May 9, 2023 be adopted subject to correction for errors and omissions.
Carried.
5. F. Soucy – C. Senkowski
THAT the Maintenance Supervisor's information report be received.
Carried.
6. F. Soucy – A. Petrowski
THAT the Transportation Supervisor's information report be received.
Carried.

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7. F. Soucy – A. Petrowski

THAT Collin Janzen be employed as a spare school bus driver for Turtle River School Division effective May 18, 2023.

Carried.

8. C. Senkowski – F. Soucy

THAT the request for personal leave for the period of January 26, 2024 to February 2, 2024 as outlined in the Superintendent's Business Report item a) be approved.

Carried.

9. F. Soucy – A. Petrowski

THAT the resignation from Lyne Pearson as an educational assistant/librarian for the Turtle River School Division be accepted effective June 29, 2023.

Carried.

10. F. Soucy – C. Senkowski

THAT the financial statements for the 12-month period ending March 31, 2023 be approved for submission to Manitoba Education and Training, the Provincial Controllers Office and the Provincial Office and the Provincial Office of the Auditor General.

Carried.

11. A. Petrowski – F. Soucy

THAT the financial statements for the month ending March 31, 2023 be accepted.

Carried.

12. NOTICE OF MOTION: C. Senkowski

THAT the Board Policy Manual be accepted as per attached, with amendments to be made per in camera discussion.

13. A. Petrowski – F. Soucy

THAT the Accounts as presented be paid.

A/P cheques numbered from 027195 to 027235 in the amount of \$ 483, 997.28.

A/P cheques numbered from 027236 to 027271 in the amount of \$ 36,291.44.

Carried.

14. A. Petrowski – F. Soucy

THAT Jeannine Delaurier be employed as a Junior Kindergarten Instructor for the Turtle River School Division for the 2023/2024 school year.

Carried.

15. C. Senkowski – F. Soucy

THAT Amanda Gurke be employed as a Community Connector for the Turtle River School Division for the 2023/2024 school year.

Carried.

16. C. Senkowski – A. Petrowski

THAT the request for a leave of absence for the period of June 22, 2023 to June 30, 2023 as outlined in the New Business Report item c) be approved.

Carried.

17. F. Soucy – C. Senkowski

THAT the Superintendent's information report be received.

Carried.

18. A. Petrowski – C. Senkowski

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

Carried.

19. A. Petrowski – C. Senkowski

THAT the meeting adjourn.

Carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:36 pm.

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**Next Regular Board Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 13, 2023.
“In Camera” Meeting will start at 5:30 pm.
The Regular Board Meeting will start at 6:30 pm.**

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