

PRAIRIE ROSE SCHOOL DIVISION NO. 8 SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, November 30, 2010

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Present: M. Peers, G. Westgard, K. Cooper, P. Heller, A. Frank, G. Dennis, S. Angle, B. Wickens, D. Nicholls – Superintendent, B. Andjelic – D. Superintendent, B. Volkman – A. Superintendent, P. Cocks – Secretary Treasurer, A. Baron - Communications

Absent: None

Media: S. Cunningham- CHAT, M. LeCorps - CHAT, A. Stephenson – M. Hat News, I. Sorensen – M. Hat News, M. McKinnon - CJCY, R. Sanchez- Prairie Post

1. Call to Order

M. Peers called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

2. Action Items for Approval

2.1 2009-10 Audited Financial Statements

P. Cocks provided an overview of the 2009-2010 Audited Financial Statements. The projected budget for the year was for a deficit of \$581,288 however actual numbers came in showing an actual deficit of \$952,155. There is no one reason for the larger than anticipated deficit, but rather a number of different factors including grant projections and increased sub costs. Reserve funds are being used to cover the shortfall. The transfer of funds will result in 7% of overall reserves being held... down from 9% in 2008-2009.

Moved by B. Wickens that the Board approve the 2009-2010 Audited Financial Statements as presented.

CARRIED (2010-98)

2.2 2009-10 Annual Education Results Report and
2010-13 Three Year Education Plan

D. Nicholls provided an overview of the 2010-2013 Three Year Education Plan and 2009-2010 Annual Education Results Report.

2.2 Cont.

Overall the report is a good one and indicates that students are succeeding and parents are happy with the school environment. A few highlights include excellent and high Accountability Pillar results, the successful implementation of the Hour Zero Program, continued support of the Teacher and Educational Assistant Induction Programs and increased Professional Development for staff.

2.3 2010-11 Revised Budget

P. Cocks provided an overview of the 2010-2011 Revised Budget. Due to the uncertainty in the spring that Alberta Education would cover the 2.92% salary increase for teachers, the budget is only now coming forward for official approval. Highlights of the report include a projected deficit of \$494,791 (mostly due to equipment amortization expenses and transportation), a slight enrolment decline and a staffing reduction of 8.0 full-time equivalent positions.

Moved by A. Frank that the Board approve the 2010-2011 Revised Budget as presented.
CARRIED (2010-99)

Moved by K. Cooper that the Board approve the 2010-2013 Three-Year Education Plan and 2009-2010 Annual Education Results Report.

CARRIED (2010-100)

2.4 CUPE Memorandum of Agreement

G. Westgard shared that a 32-month Memorandum of Agreement had been negotiated with the CUPE staff and the Board. An overview of the contract includes an increase in benefits (health spending account) and wages... by 2.75% in January 1st 2011, 2.75% on September 1st 2011, and 2.75% the following January 1st 2012. The contract will run from 2011 till 2013.

Moved by G. Westgard that the Board ratify the Memorandum of Agreement with CUPE Local 829 as presented.

CARRIED (2010-101)

3. Adjournment

Moved by G. Westgard that the November 30, 2010 Special Board Meeting be adjourned at 2:44 p.m.

CARRIED (2010-102)

Marian Peers, Board Chair

Pat Cocks, Secretary-Treasurer