

MEETING NUMBER FORTY-ONE

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Sun West School Division No. 207 took place in the boardroom, Sun West Board Office, on Wednesday, August 22, 2007 commencing at 1:00 p.m. with the following present: Chairperson Bill Mescall (Subdivision No. 2), Board Members Margaret Irwin (Subdivision No. 1), Karen Itterman (Subdivision No. 3), Norm McIntyre (Subdivision No. 4), Scott Sander (Subdivision No. 5), Lorne Ulven (Subdivision No. 6), Ross Derdall (Subdivision No. 7), Barb Cowell (Subdivision No. 8), Ruth Griffith (Town of Kindersley) Director of Education - Janet Casswell-Beckmann, Superintendent of Business - Maureen Sample, Communications Officer – Mike Fedyk. Susan Hodges (Rosetown Eagle, The Clarion, Crossroads and Eston Press Review) was also present.

Chairman Bill Mescall called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m.

Regrets: Peggy Holton (Town of Kindersley)

AGENDA

Ulven: That the agenda be adopted. **Carried**
041-01

MINUTES

Irwin: That the minutes of the meeting held June 12, 2007 be approved. **Carried**
041-02

Sander: That the minutes of the meeting held June 18, 2007 be approved. **Carried**
041-03

BUSINESS OUT OF THE MINUTES: None

CONSENT ITEMS

McIntyre: That the Board receive the following consent items and approve the
041-04 recommendations included therein: to approve the following items: Financial Reports; to receive as information the following items – correspondence from Good Practices and Dispute Resolution Implementation Committee, Saskatchewan Learning, Town of Eatonia, Town of Kindersley, Karen McFaull, Saskatchewan School Board Association (SSBA), Cheryl Flynn, Sheila Hammond, Willow Awards, Majestic Theatre, BridgePoint Center, Kindersley Veterinary Services District, Comparative Mill Rates, Public Boards Caucus, Mileage Rate Survey, West Central Government Committee minutes, LEADS salary survey, SSBA Executive Meeting June, SSBA – Rod Gantefoer, SSBA-Armand Martin, SSBA-Financial Statements, SAMA Resolution, Heartland Health – staffing levels, Opening Day agenda, Sun West news clippings and STF Bulletin for June 13, 2007. **Carried**

ACTION ITEMS

Cowell: Whereas the Board of Education is committed to on-going evaluation and
041-05 improvement of its policies and practices;
And whereas the Board of Education participated in a seminar and workshop on June 18-19, 2007;
And whereas the seminar facilitator has prepared a summary of discussions, which includes Board Governance Improvements related to Planning, Trustee Role, Policy Governance, Board Meetings and Board Chair Selection Criteria;

And whereas the Board, as part of the seminar, provided a very positive evaluation of the Director/CEO's performance;
Therefore, be it resolved that the Facilitator's Summary of Discussions be accepted. **Carried**

McIntyre: 041-06 Whereas the Board of Education undertook a CEO review as part of its June Seminar;
And whereas the review indicated the CEO is hardworking, goal orientated, committed, capable, organized and approachable as well as a good communicator with a good understanding of the Board's direction and committed to carrying out the Board's directives;
Therefore, be it resolved that the Board accept the proposed amendment to the CEO's contract. **Carried**

Itterman: 041-07 Whereas the Board of Education is committed to evaluating and reviewing its goals and objectives on an annual basis;
And whereas the Board of Education has reviewed and updated its goals for the 2007-08 term;
Therefore, be it resolved, that the revised Board Goals be adopted. **Carried**

Derdall: 041-08 That beginning in September 2007, the Board of Education set its Committee of the Whole meetings for 9:00 am, the second Tuesday of each month and its Board of Education meetings for 1:00 pm, the fourth Tuesday of each month with the following exceptions; the Board of Education meeting in November 2007 will be on November 20; and the Board of Education meeting in December 2007 will be on December 18. **Carried**

Itterman: 041-09 Whereas the Reference Committee reviews Sun West's Administrative Policies on an annual basis;
And whereas the Reference Committee has reviewed Sun West's policies and recommended revisions;
And whereas the Director of Education has recommended the acceptance of the revisions;
Therefore, be it resolved that the Board of Education approve the revisions to the Sun West's Administrative Policies. **Carried**

Irwin: 041-10 Whereas the Board of Education of the Sun West School Division supports curricular and extra-curricular programming in the school division;
And Whereas the Board of Education believes student participation in team sports is important for lifelong learning and development;
And Whereas the Board of Education believes that SHSAA joint sponsorship agreements between schools provides opportunities for students in small schools that may not otherwise be provided;
And Whereas the Board of Education believes that the joint sponsorship of football meets the identified SHSAA criteria for eligibility;
Therefore, be it resolved that the request from Eston Composite School and Eaton School for a three-year joint sponsorship agreement for six-man football beginning in the fall of 2007 be approved. **Carried**

Griffith: That the Board accept with revisions the School Community Council constitutions

041-11 for Beechy School, Biggar Central School 2000, Davidson High School, Dinsmore Composite School, Eaton School, Harris-Tessier Central School, Westberry School and Westcliffe School. **Carried**

Ulven: That in accordance with *the Education Act* that the 2006 Statement of Public
041-12 Accounts for the Sun West School Division be forwarded to the Department of Learning. **Carried**

During discussion concerning Division property in the town of Outlook, which the town may be interested in obtaining, Ross Derdall informed the Board of his position with the town and excused himself from the meeting at 1:25 p.m.

Derdall returned to the meeting at 1:31 p.m.

EMERGENT ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA:

1. Finalize and reflect Board Goals and Governance
2. Budget estimates
3. SSBA Convention Resolutions
4. Invitation to Minister of Learning
5. SCC training

ADJOURNMENT

Griffith: That the meeting adjourn, 1:31 p.m. **Carried**
041-13

Original Signed by Bill Mescall
Chairperson

Original Signed by Maureen Sample
Superintendent of Business