

MINUTES OF THE FIRST MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE NORTH WEST SCHOOL DIVISION NO. 203 HELD IN CONFERENCE ROOM 4, SK LEARNING REGIONAL OFFICE, NORTH BATTLEFORD, JUNE 27, 2005 AT 7:10 P.M.

On May 13, 2004, the Minister of Learning, Andrew Thomson, announced the restructuring of school divisions in Saskatchewan. Elections for the newly restructured divisions were held on June 15, 2005. The North West School Division No. 203, temporarily named, consists of the former Battle River School Division No. 60, Meadow Lake School Division No. 66 and Turtleford School Division No. 65.

QUORUM: Marla L'Heureux (Sub-Division #1), Erika Maier (Sub-Division #2), Brian Gaboury (Sub-Division #3), Janet Bellanger (Sub-Division #4), Kelly Stuart (Sub-Division #5), John Anderson (Sub-Division #6), Sandra Walker (Sub-Division #7), Faith Graham (Sub-Division #8), Larry Zemlak (Sub-Division #9/10), Edna Brander (Sub-Division #9/10), Gary Mirasty (Sub-Division #11).

ABSENT: None

PRESENT: Lois Duffee, Regional Director, SK Learning and Paul Baskey, Executive Director, Saskatchewan Association of School Business Officials.

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Lois Duffee called the meeting to order, presented opening remarks, reviewed the agenda, and arranged for introductions for all present. Paul Baskey received the Declaration of Office forms for each Board member in accordance with Sub-section 78(1) of the Education Act, 1995 and these forms are attached to and form part of the minutes of this meeting.

ELECTION OF CHAIR: Gary Mirasty nominated Larry Zemlak.
Brian Gaboury nominated Faith Graham.
Erika Maier nominated Edna Brander.
Kelly Stuart moved that nominations cease.

CD 2005 - 001

Faith Graham was declared elected Board Chair.

BALLOTS: John Anderson That the ballots be destroyed.

CD 2005 - 002

VICE-CHAIR: Kelly Stuart nominated Edna Brander.
Brian Gaboury moved that nominations cease.

CD 2005 - 003

Edna Brander declared Vice-Chair by acclamation.

RESTRUCTURING BULLETINS: Reviewed the Restructuring Bulletins regarding the role of Board Chair, initial meeting of the Board and roles and responsibilities of Division Boards.

MEETINGS: Brian Gaboury That the next meeting of the Board be held Thursday, July 14, 2005 from 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. at the Turtleford SD office and that future Board Meetings be held the 2nd Thursday of each month from 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. at a location to be determined by the Board Chair.

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INDEMNITIES: Sandra Walker That Board indemnity be \$200.00 per day based on a 7 hour time period or prorated for less than a 7 hour time period for Board approved meetings, representations and conferences, plus meal allowance of \$9.00, \$12.00 and \$19.00 for breakfast, lunch and dinner respectively, lodging at actual cost, car allowance at 40 cents/kim plus \$20.00 per hour for travel time within the Division.

CD 2005-005

Gary Mirasty left the meeting at 9:55 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING

DIRECTOR SEARCH: Edna Brander That the 3 existing Directors of Education be informed that the Board is advertising internally for a Director of Education and that Lois Duffee, Regional Director, be invited to assist with the interviews to be conducted on Wednesday, July 20, 2005 at 9:00 a.m. at the SK Learning Regional Office in North Battleford and further, that all applications be submitted to the Board Chair at Box 266, Neilburg, SK, S0M 2C0.

CD 2005 - 006

If a Board member feels that the new Director of Education be required to possess certain qualifications, expertise or skills, he/she should put it in writing and submit it to the Chair with copy to each Board member prior to the July 14th meeting.

FINANCIAL: Erika Maier That the Board Chair be instructed to seek an arrangement with an existing school division to administer the required financial affairs during the transition period until December 31, 2005.

CD 2005 - 007

SECRETARY: Other Divisions under restructuring have appointed the Election Returning Officer to act as recording secretary until a Superintendent of Administration is appointed. An existing Superintendent of Administration may also be considered in the interim.

TIME ZONE: John Anderson inquired if the Province is considering the time question and what would be the implications?

ADJOURNMENT: Janet Bellanger That the meeting adjourn at 10:15 p.m.

CD 2005 - 008

Chairperson

Recording Secretary