
SCHOOL DISTRICT OF MYSTERY LAKE



**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**Tuesday, January 13, 2009
7:00 p.m.**

Trustees

Cheryl Davies
David Gallant
Kelly Hause
Mamie Hendren
Guido Oliveira
Rob Pellizzaro
L. Valerie Wilson

Senior Administration Team

Hugh Fraser – Superintendent/CEO
Bruce Waldie – Assistant Superintendent
Christelle Waldie – Assistant Superintendent
Arnie Assoignon – Secretary-Treasurer
Keith Derksen – Facilities Manager
Cheryl Mulrooney – Executive Assistant

**Administration Office
408 Thompson Drive North, Thompson, MB
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Present:

Chairperson Davies
Vice-Chairperson Pellizzaro
Trustee Hendren
Trustee Gallant
Trustee Hause
Trustee Wilson
Superintendent/CEO Fraser
Assistant Superintendent B. Waldie
Assistant Superintendent C. Waldie
Secretary-Treasurer Assoignon
Executive Assistant Mulrooney

Regrets:

Trustee Oliveira

1. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was called to order by Chairperson Davies at 7:04 p.m.

2. ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

- #3) Approval of Special Minutes of January 6, 2009
- 10B) Under Correspondence – Christmas Greetings

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA – January 13, 2009

Motion 02/09

Moved by Trustee Gallant, seconded by Trustee Wilson

That the agenda with the above additions be approved.

Carried

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – December 9, 2008

Motion 03/09

Moved by Trustee Hause, seconded by Trustee Hendren

That the minutes of the Regular Board meeting of December 9, 2008, and the Special Minutes of January 6, 2009, be adopted as circulated.

Carried

5. DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

a) Mr. McKay – World Indigenous People’s Conference on Education

Mr. Mervin McKay made a presentation on the World Indigenous People’s Conference on Education that he attended in Australia from December 5th – 12th, 2008.

The conference theme was, “Respecting Tradition, Shaping the Future, with over four thousand participants from thirty countries around the world attending.

Mr. McKay thanked the School District and administration for affording him this opportunity. He also thanked his staff, especially Ms. McInnes the Vice-Principal, for doing such a tremendous job while he was away.

6. BUSINESS FROM PREVIOUS BOARD MEETING

7. SUPERINTENDENT/CEO REPORT

Information

a) Enrolment as of December 31, 2008.

<u>ENROLMENT</u>	<u>December 31, 2008</u>	<u>September 30, 2008</u>	<u>+/-</u>
Burntwood School	277	284	-7
Deerwood School	265	263	+2
Ecole Riverside School	412	420	-8
Juniper School	327	319	+8
Wapanohk Community School	383	377	+6
Westwood School	393	396	-3
R.D. Parker Collegiate	<u>925</u>	<u>1010</u>	<u>-85</u>
Total Enrollment	2982	3069	-87

b) Air Quality Testing

Air quality tests were done from the period of November 6 to December 4, 2008. School administrators were given the opportunity to choose the two classrooms they wanted to be tested, otherwise the two classrooms were chosen at random from opposite ends of the school.

Trustee Pellizzaro was concerned about the unsatisfactory rates of the air quality test and was wondering when testing would be done again.

Superintendent/CEO Fraser will find the information for Trustee Pellizzaro.

c) District Position

- Ms. Kathleen Kelson has been appointed as School District Community Connector and assumed the responsibilities of her new role on Monday, January 12, 2009.

Action

- a) Appointment of Interim Principal at R.D. Parker Collegiate

Motion 04/09

Moved by Trustee Hendren, seconded by Trustee Hause

That Mr. Eric Overall be appointed interim principal for R.D. Parker Collegiate effective immediately.

Carried

8. SECRETARY-TREASURER'S REPORT – No Report

9. BUSINESS FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE #1172 – December 16, 2008

- a) Special Leave Request

Motion 05/09

Moved by Trustee Gallant, seconded by Trustee Hendren

That the Special Leave request from September 2009 to June 2010 for employee number 1140 be considered on April 1, 2009, as per policy.

Carried

- b) Request for Extension of Maternity Leave

Motion 06/09

Moved by Trustee Hause, seconded by Trustee Gallant

That the leave request from employee number 70134 to extend her maternity leave to June 30th, 2009 be approved.

Carried

BUSINESS FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE #1172 – December 16, 2008 (continued)

c) Request for Extension of Personal Leave

Moved by Trustee Hendren, seconded by Trustee Gallant

Motion 07/09

That the request from employee number 40020 to have the personal leave requested extended to September 1st, 2010 be approved.

Carried

10. CORRESPONDENCE

Information

a) MAST

- i. Bill 4 Tax Increment Financing Act
- ii. Canadian Association of Principals Conference
- iii. Canadian School Board Association InfoPicks
- iv. Newspaper Clippings

b) Christmas Greetings

The District received from Christmas Greetings from Marymount North, The Honourable Peter Bjornson, and Mr. Hugh McFadden, Leader of the Official Opposition.

Action

a) MAST

2009 MAST Convention & KidSport™ Canada

Over the past several years, the Children's Wish Foundation has been the recipient of monies raised by The Manitoba Association of School Trustees convention delegates through the purchase of tickets on raffle items donated by school divisions or suppliers.

2009 MAST Convention & KidSport™ Canada (continued)

In 2009 the Convention Planning Committee has selected to support the local chapter of KidSport™ Canada (administered by Sport Manitoba) with the proceeds from the sales of raffle tickets.

Donations are to be made by calling the MAST Convention Coordinator, Carmen Neufeld no later than March 1st, 2009.

Motion 08/09

Moved by Trustee Hause, seconded by Trustee Gallant

That District donates an item for the Manitoba School Trustees raffle.

Carried

11. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a) Finance – Approval of Expenditures for December 2008
 - i. Accounts Payable in the amount of \$ 1,22,692.25
 - ii. Teacher payroll in the amount of \$1,737,421.71
 - iii. Non-teaching payroll in the amount of \$357,273.24

Motion 09/09

Moved by Trustee Gallant, seconded by Trustee Wilson

That the above expenditures for December 2008 be approved.

Carried

12. TRUSTEE COMMENTS/QUESTIONS

Chairperson Davies advised that the Thompson Teachers' Association Collective Agreement has been signed.

Chairperson Davies and Trustee Hendren took part in the MAST Regional teleconference. Discussion was around motions and issues for the Manitoba Association of School Trustees Annual General Meeting.

13. PUBLIC FORUM

Members of the public are invited to seek clarification about items on the agenda.

Questions: a) How long is the interim principal at R. D. Parker for?

The term is from January 13, 2009 to June 30, 2009.

TTA President, Donna Johnston, thanked Trustee Hendren for being insistent that the Thompson Teachers' Association receives a copy of the Air Quality Testing.

14. ADJOURNMENT

Motion 10/09

Moved by Trustee Gallant, seconded by Trustee Wilson

That the meeting be adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

Carried

Chairperson

Secretary-Treasurer

