

**The Board of Education of the  
Good Spirit School Division No. 204 of Saskatchewan**

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**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Good Spirit Board of Education  
Thursday, August 30, 2018  
Fairview Education Centre, Yorkton, Saskatchewan**

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**Board Members (P)Present (A)Absent**

P	Anderson, Jade
P	Dokuchie, Gilda
P	Johnson, Jaime
A	Morrison, Jan
P	Simpson, Bob – Vice Chair
P	Variyan, Steve

P	Balyski, Chris
P	Gendur, Gord
P	Leson, Shannon
P	Stachura, Florence
P	Smandych, Lois – Chair

**Staff**

Quintin Robertson – Director of Education  
Donna Kriger – Deputy Director of Education Services  
Keith Gervais – Chief Financial Officer  
Heather Morris – Senior Executive Assistant

**18-131**

Smandych:

**Call to order**

That this meeting now come to order at 10:00 a.m.

**Carried.**

Staff member, Laurie-Anne Rusnak joined the meeting at 10:00 am

**18-132**

Johnson:

**Adoption of agenda**

That the agenda be adopted as presented.

**Carried.**

**18-133**

Anderson:

**Approval of June 21, 2018 regular minutes**

That the minutes of the June 21, 2018 Regular Meeting be adopted as presented.

**Carried.**

**18-134**

Variyan:

**Approval of June 26, 2018 conference call minutes**

That the minutes of the June 26, 2018 Conference Call Meeting be adopted as presented.

**Carried.**

**18-135**

Gendur:

**Approval of August 13, 2018 special minutes**

That the minutes of the August 13, 2018 Special Board Meeting be adopted as presented.

**Carried.**

**Business arising from the minutes**

None

**Conflict of Interest**

Balyski declared regarding presented agenda item.

**Delegation**

None

**Closed Session Items**

1. Show Cause Hearing
2. Governance Budget
3. Human Resources Report
  - a. Negotiations
  - b. New Employee Issues
  - c. Outstanding Employee Issues
  - d. Other
4. Executive Committee Report
5. Transportation Committee Report
  - a. Britton Request
  - b. Sies – Prairie Valley School Division Request
  - c. Weinmaster Request
6. Board Survey Results - TABLED
7. School Closure/Grade Discontinuance & Boundary Review Update
8. Consolidation Project

Board Member Leson joined the meeting at 10:09 am

**18-136**

Stachura:

**Enter closed session**

That the Board enter closed session to receive and review agenda items.  
**Carried.**

**18-137**

Anderson:

**Exit closed session**

That the Board exit closed session.  
**Carried.**

Staff member, Laurie-Anne Rusnak exited the meeting at 11:20 am

Board Chair Smandych excused herself from the meeting at 11:45 am

Board Chair Smandych rejoined the meeting at 11:55 am

Lunch

**18-138**

Dokuchie:

**Enter closed session**

That the Board enter closed session.  
**Carried.**

**18-139**

Leson:

**Exit closed session**

That the Board exit closed session.  
**Carried.**

**Action Items**

1. Items Arising from Closed Session
  - a. Show Cause Hearing Recommendation
  - b. Human Resources Recommendation
  - c. Executive Committee Recommendation
  - d. Transportation Committee Recommendations
    - i. Britton Request

- ii. Sies – Prairie Valley School Division Request
- iii. Weinmaster Request

2. New Business

- a. Anne Portnuff Theatre Technician Contract
- b. Renewal of Millwright Building Lease
- c. Century Field Donor Recognition
- d. Sale of Sturgis Elementary School
- e. Sale of Fort Livingstone School
- f. Board Policy Amendments
  - i. Policy 1 – Foundational Statements, Division Focus Areas, and Long-term Goals
  - ii. Policy 2 Appendix A – Annual Work Plan
  - iii. Policy 17 – School Review
- g. Organizational Meeting

**18-140**

Simpson:

**Show Cause Hearing Recommendation**

That the Board confirm the motion made in regards to the Human Resources Report dated June 26, 2018.

**Carried.**

**18-141**

Balyski:

**Human Resources Recommendation**

That the Board approve the proposed salary and benefits for out of scope staff as presented.

**Carried.**

**18-142**

Variyan:

**Executive Committee Recommendation**

That the Board approve the recommendation of the Board Executive Committee as outlined in the closed session regarding the CEO Salary Adjustment.

**Carried.**

**18-143**

Anderson:

**Transportation Committee Recommendation - Britton**

That the Board accept the recommendation of the Transportation Committee to deny transportation for the Britton family to MC Knoll School.

**Carried.**

**18-144**

Dokuchie:

**Transportation Committee Recommendation – Sies**

That the Board accept the recommendation of the Transportation Committee to approve transportation for the Sies family to Miller School provided there is no additional cost to the board.

**Carried.**

**18-145**

Gendur:

**Transportation Committee Recommendation - Weinmaster**

That the Board accept the recommendation of the Transportation Committee to approve transportation for the Weinmaster family to Yorkdale Central School provided there is no additional costs to the board, to be reviewed annually.

**Carried.**

**18-146**

Leson:

**Anne Portnuff Theatre Technician Contract**

That the Board approve the extension of contract for the theater technician at the Yorkton Regional High School.

**Carried.**

**18-147**

Johnson:

**Renewal of Millwright Building Lease**

That the Board enter into an agreement with Bruce and Cindy Basken for the lease of the premises at 324 Rankin Road in Churchbridge, SK, for the period from September 1, 2018 to August 31, 2021, for the purpose of housing the instruction of the Churchbridge millwright Program.

**Carried.**

**18-148**

Stachura:

**Century Field Donor Recognition**

That the Board approve the request to recognize the donation from Logan Stevens by placing a donor sign on the Century Field bleachers.

**Carried.**

**18-149**

Balyski:

**Sale of Sturgis Elementary School**

That the Board accept the offer from the Town of Sturgis for the purchase of Sturgis Elementary School.

**Carried.**

**18-150**

Variyan:

**Sale of Fort Livingstone School**

That the Board accept the offer for the purchase of Fort Livingstone School.

**Carried.**

**18-151**

Anderson:

**Policy 1 Foundational Statements**

That the Board approve the amendments to Board Policy 1 Foundational Statements as presented.

**Carried.**

**18-152**

Dokuchie:

**Policy 2 Appendix A – Annual Work Plan**

That the Board approve Policy 2 Appendix A – Annual Work Plan as presented.

**Carried.**

**18-153**

Gendur:

**Policy 17 School Review**

That the Board approve the amendments to Board Policy 17 School Review as presented.

**Carried.**

**Board Chair turned the Chair over to the Director at the commencement of the organizational items.**

**18-154**

Robertson:

**Nominations for Board Chair**

That the nominations for Board Chair be opened.

**Carried.**

1<sup>st</sup> call – Stachura nominated Smandych

2<sup>nd</sup> call – No nominations

3<sup>rd</sup> call – No nominations

**18-155**

Gendur:

**Close of Nominations**

That nominations cease.

**Carried.**

**By acclamation – Lois Smandych was declared Chair.**

**18-156**

Smandych:

**Nominations for Vice Chair**

That nominations for Board Vice Chair be opened.

**Carried.**

1<sup>st</sup> call – Gendur nominated Simpson

2<sup>nd</sup> call – No nominations

3<sup>rd</sup> call – No nominations

18-157

Stachura:

**Close of Nominations**

That nominations cease.  
**Carried.**

**By acclamation – Bob Simpson was declared Vice Chair.**

18-158

Leson:

**Signatories of the Board**

That the signing officers be the Chair or Vice Chair *and* the Chief Financial Officer or the Accounting Manager.  
**Carried.**

18-159

Johnson:

**Borrowing**

That the Chairperson and the Chief Financial Officer be authorized to borrow from the Bank of Montreal the sum of eight million five hundred thousand (\$8,500,000) to meet the expenditures of the Board until the proceeds of taxes and legislative grants are available, and to pay or agree to pay interest on the moneys borrowed, either in advance or at maturity and in either case after maturity, at the rate of prime; and, That the said loan shall be a first charge upon the uniform tax levy and legislative grants for the current year; and,  
That the Chairperson and Chief Financial Officer be authorized to execute under the corporate seal of the Board, and deliver to the said Bank as security for the said advance and interest thereon, the assignment of the legislative grants payable or to become payable to the Division; and,  
That the said Bank shall not be restricted to the said taxes or the said legislative grants for the repayment of the said loan; and,  
That the said loan may be secured by the promissory note or notes of the Chairperson and Chief Financial Officer, given on behalf of the Board, and the Chairperson and Chief Financial Officer are hereby authorized and empowered to execute and give such promissory note or notes on behalf of the said Board as may be required by the said Bank.  
**Carried.**

18-160

Stachura:

**Regular Meeting Schedule**

That the Board meet at the Fairview Education Centre in Yorkton at 10:00 a.m. according to the following schedule in 2018-2019:

- October 4, 2018
- November 22, 2018
- December 20, 2018
- January 31, 2019
- March 14, 2019
- April 16, 2019
- May 16, 2019
- June 20, 2019
- August 29, 2019

**Carried.**

18-161

Balyski:

**LINC Negotiations Committee**

That Smandych and Johnson serve as the Board representatives on the LINC Negotiations Committee.  
**Carried.**

18-162

Variyan:

**Support Staff Negotiations Committee**

That Johnson and Simpson serve as the Board representatives on the Support Staff Negotiations committee.  
**Carried.**

- 18-163**  
Anderson: **Board Executive Committee**  
That Stachura serve with the Board Chair and Board Vice Chair as the Board representatives on the Board Executive Committee.  
**Carried.**
- 18-164**  
Dokuchie: **Board Transportation Committee**  
That Anderson, Stachura, and Simpson serve as the Board representatives on the Board Transportation Committee.  
**Carried.**
- 18-165**  
Simpson: **Finance Committee**  
That Variyan and Johnson along with one of the Chair or Vice-Chair serve as the Board representatives on the Board Finance Committee.  
**Carried.**
- 18-166**  
Variyan: **First Nation Education Service Agreements and Networking Representation**  
That Dokuchie, Gendur, and Johnson serve as the Board representatives for First Nation Education Service Agreements discussions and Networking opportunities.  
**Carried.**
- 18-167**  
Stachura: **Melville Comprehensive School Governance Authority**  
That Simpson serve as the board representative for the Melville Comprehensive School Governance Authority.  
**Carried.**
- 18-168**  
Johnson: **Public Board Section**  
That Smandych serve as the Board representative on the Public Boards Section and Simpson serve as the alternate.  
**Carried.**
- 18-169**  
Gendur: **East Central District Athletic Association Representative Appointment**  
That Leson serve as the Board representative on the East Central District Athletic Association with Variyan serving as an alternate.  
**Carried.**
- 18-170**  
Balyski: **School Community Councils**  
That the Board members represent the Board at the School Community Council meetings of the schools within their subdivisions. Further, that within Yorkton, Variyan attend Dr. Brass and Yorkton Regional High School, Gendur attend Columbia, and Morrison attend M.C. Knoll. If unable to attend then an alternate will be chosen from the other Yorkton at large trustees. Dokuchie to attend Canora Junior Elementary, Canora Composite and Norquay Schools.  
**Carried.**
- 18-171**  
Stachura: **Indemnities – Board Meetings**  
That the indemnity meeting rate be \$300 (Chair), \$280 (Vice Chair), and \$260 (Trustee) effective date of the organizational meeting.  
**Carried.**
- 18-172**  
Variyan: **Indemnities – Supervision and Committees**  
That the hourly rates for Supervision and Committee representation be \$65 in half hour increments to a maximum of 4 hours per day.  
That the rate for board members to attend School Community Council meetings be \$65 per hour to a maximum of six hours per school.  
**Carried.**

18-173

Leson:

**Indemnities – Conferences**

That the rates for Convention representation \$260 per full day and at half these rates per half day (3 hours or less). Further that the convention rate is applied for 2 travel days for events held out of province, 1 day for events held in province when there is no organized activity on that day. If a Board member is unsure if able to attend a convention, he/she will be registered late and the \$100 late fee will be payable by the Board.

**Carried.**

18-174

Johnson:

**Indemnities – Conference Calls**

That the rate for board conference calls be \$100 each.

**Carried.**

18-175

Stachura:

**Monthly Rates**

That the Board member be recognized for meeting preparation in the amount of \$150 each month beginning September 1, 2018.

**Carried.**

18-176

Variyan:

**Expense Reimbursement Rates**

That the Board set the mileage rate at \$0.42 per kilometer. Furthermore, that if carpooling is available and a board member / staff member chooses to travel on their own, the rate will be recognized at ¼ the approved rate.

That the Board set the travel time rate for board members at \$0.25 per kilometer for activities in the province.

That the Board set the meal rates as \$15 breakfast, \$20 lunch and \$25 dinner.

That the Board, in lieu of commercial accommodations, provide reimbursement for private accommodation at a rate of fifty dollars (\$50.00) per night.

**Carried.**

18-177

Leson:

**Indemnity Approval**

That the Chair or Vice Chair review and approve all indemnity forms prior to payment for trustees. Board member Stachura will review and approve the indemnity forms of the Chair and Vice Chair.

**Carried.**

18-178

Anderson:

**Municipal Exemption**

That the Board authorize 1/3 (one-third) of remuneration as expenses.

**Carried.**

18-179

Dokuchie:

**Electrical Outlet Rental Fees**

That the Board set the electrical outlet rental fees at \$40.

**Carried.**

**Discussion Items presented by the Director of Education**

1. Board Development
  - a. Understanding Strategic Planning
2. Years of Service & Sea Star Recognition Events
3. GSSD Attendance Letters
4. Every Second Matters
5. Unified Student Information System

**Information Items presented by the Director of Education**

1. Thank you notes
2. Important Dates

- a. Lead From Within
  - b. Provincial Education Summit
  - c. Central Office Calendar – posted in Resource Centre
  - d. Public Section Calendar
3. Financial Report
  4. Induction Day
  5. Parent Engagement Evenings
  6. Home-Based Education Orientation Evenings
  7. Division Digital Wall-walk - TABLED
  8. Correspondence
    - a. Proposed Sale of Sturgis School
    - b. Ministerial Order: Alteration of Boundaries for GSSD and South East Cornerstone
    - c. Air Quality Poll Partial Rebate
    - d. Minister Letter
    - e. Position Statement on the Development of Position Statements
    - f. It's Time to Merge Ontario's Two School Systems – Follow up Article
    - g. 2018-19 Budget Approval

**Committee / Conference Reports**

1. School Community Council Meetings

**Future Business**

1. Meeting dates – TBA
2. Notice of Motion
3. Topics for Future Agendas - TBA

**18-180**  
Balyski:

**Adjournment**

That we do adjourn at 4:27 p.m.

**Carried.**

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**BOARD CHAIR - Smandych**

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**SECRETARY – Gervais**