

A MEETING OF THE BOARD of The River East Transcona School Division was duly called and held on Tuesday, January 21, 2025 at 6:30 p.m., in the Allen Rouse Room, 589 Roch Street, Winnipeg.

**TRUSTEES PRESENT**

B. Bage	S. Hiebert
C. Carswell	S. Irwin
R. Giesbrecht	K. Morrison
B. Goertzen	S. Olynik
S. Hanson	

**ABSENT**

**ALSO PRESENT:**

- S. Herbst, Superintendent/CEO
- E. Downey, Secretary-Treasurer/CFO
- K. Boyd, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Programming
- M. Bruce, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources
- T. Mitchell, Assistant Superintendent, Student Services
- J. Drysdale, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services and Planning
- C. Colorado, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources
- K. Jarmuske, Recording Secretary

**SCHOOL BOARD CHAIR C. CARSWELL IN THE CHAIR:**

**Land Acknowledgement** – Trustee B. Bage

River East Transcona School Division is located on the original lands of the Anishinaabeg, Ininiwak, Anishiniwak, Dakota, and Dene peoples, and on the homeland of the Red River Métis. We recognize our part of the Treaty relationship and, as acknowledgement of the harms done, we commit to collaborating with Indigenous communities in the shared spirit of Truth and Reconciliation for the healing and inclusion of all who share this Land.

**Adoption of Agenda**

11/25

MOVED by Trustee Irwin, (S) Trustee Olynik THAT the Agenda dated January 21, 2025, be adopted as amended.

Carried

Trustee R. Giesbrecht opposed vote on item 11/25.

**Adoption of Minutes**

**Board Meeting No. 1**

12/25

MOVED by Trustee Bage, (S) Trustee Hanson THAT the following minutes be approved, confirmed and adopted as presented:

- a) Board Meeting No. 1 dated January 7, 2025 pages 1 to 3 inclusive.

Unanimous

**Receiving of Minutes**

13/25

MOVED by Trustee Goertzen, (S) Trustee Hiebert THAT the following be received:

- a) Minutes of the Program, Policy Review, and Personnel Committee dated January 8, 2025, pages 1 to 2 inclusive;
- b) Minutes of the Meeting of the Finance, Facilities, Transportation, and Technology Committee dated January 14, 2025, pages 1 to 2 inclusive.

Unanimous

**Business arising out of Minutes**

Recommendations of the Programs, Policy Review and Personnel Committee  
Dated January 8, 2025

Policy Revisions

14/25

MOVED by Trustee Hiebert, (S) Trustee Morrison THAT the following policy be deleted:

- a) IKB – Homework.

Unanimous

Recommendations of the Finance, Facilities, Transportation, and Technology Committee  
Dated January 14, 2025

Accounts payable

15/25

MOVED by Trustee Goertzen, (S) Trustee Olynik THAT We confirm the accounts payable as follows:

- a) For the month of December 2024 in the amount of \$24,789,882.84.

Unanimous

**Business arising out of Minutes (continued)**

Request for Continued Use 2025-2026

16/25

MOVED by Trustee Goertzen, (S) Trustee Olynik THAT the following requests for continued use be approved as presented:

- a) Arthur Day Fun Club for use of Arthur Day Middle School for the school age program;
- b) Henderson Early Learning Child Centre Inc. for use of John Pritchard School for the school age program.

**Communications for Action**

Request for Religious Exercises –  
Donwood School

17/25

MOVED by Trustee Bage, (S) Trustee Olynik THAT in response to parental petition, religious exercises be provided at the following schools in the River East Transcona School Division, in accordance with the provisions of the Public Schools Act, Sections 80(2), for the 2024-2025 school year:

- a) Donwood School.

Unanimous

**Reports for Action**

Donation Report

18/25

MOVED by Trustee Hiebert, (S) Trustee Irwin THAT the following donation be approved with thanks:

- a) Bird's Hill School  
\$1000 from Mark Bryanton.

Unanimous

SAT Retirement

19/25

MOVED by Trustee Goertzen, (S) Trustee Irwin THAT we accept, with regrets, the notice of retirement of the Assistant Superintendent of Student Services, Tammy Mitchell.

Unanimous

### **Reports for Information**

#### Superintendent's Update 20/25

MOVED by Trustee Olynik, (S) Trustee Goertzen THAT the following Superintendent's Report be received for information:

- a) Provincial Attendance Policy.

Unanimous

#### Secretary-Treasurer's Update

21/25

MOVED by Trustee Hanson, (S) Trustee Goertzen THAT the following Secretary-Treasurer's Report be received for information:

- a) Virtual Budget Meeting, Wednesday, January 29, 2025.

Unanimous

#### Out-of-School Education Excursions

22/25

MOVED by Trustee Morrison, (S) Trustee Irwin THAT the Out-of-School Education Excursions for River East Collegiate and Hampstead School be received for information.

Unanimous

### **Communications for Information**

23/25

MOVED by Trustee Bage, (S) Trustee Olynik THAT the following communications be received for information:

- a) From Manitoba School Boards Association:
  - 1. January 8, 2025, E-Bulletin;
  - 2. Full Potential Scholarship Program;
  - 3. Ford Canada Component Donation Program;
  - 4. 2025 Annual Convention Program and Registration Information.

Unanimous



**Board to In Camera**

24/25

MOVED by Trustee Morrison, (S) Trustee Hiebert THAT we do now reconvene into a meeting of the Board In Camera at 6:55 p.m.

Unanimous

**Motion to Adjourn**

25/25

MOVED by Trustee Morrison, (S) Trustee Bage THAT we do now adjourn at 9:14 p.m.

Unanimous

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Board Chair (Colleen Carswell)

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Secretary-Treasurer (Elise Downey)