



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Living Sky School Division No. 202  
In the Board Room at North Battleford Office  
On  
Wednesday, January 9, 2008 at 5:30 p.m.

## PRESENT

Trustees: *Arsenault, Gartner, Challis, Foreman, Kowalchuk, Love, Pethick, Sloan, and Snell.*  
Also in attendance were: Director of Education, *Ron Ford*; Assistant Director of Education, *Randy Fox*; Chief Financial Officer, *Ray Kopera*

## CALL TO ORDER

Chairman *Arsenault* called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

## AGENDA

Trustee *Challis* moved the agenda be approved as presented with additions.

*Carried*

## MINUTES

Trustee *Foreman* moved the Board approve the minutes of the Regular Board meeting of December 12, 2007 as circulated.

*Carried*

## DELEGATIONS

Lawrence Chomos, Facilities Rationalization Review Facilitator, presented an update on his work to date. He has completed 16 out of the 17 site visits and has met with all stakeholders: staff, students, parents, School Community Councils. The process has been positive and very well received. The questionnaires to parents and staff will be sent out within the next two weeks. His report is scheduled for completion by the end of February.

Ernie Lawton, Ministry of Education, presented information to the Board regarding a potential preliminary draft partnership between Mosquito First Nation, Red Pheasant First Nation and Living Sky School Division. Concerns were raised by the first nation communities around program offerings in Cando School, particularly in the skills training. Mosquito and Red Pheasant First Nations have a desire to go into a partnership arrangement with the Living Sky School Division and Mr. Lawton will be seeking more input at the January 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting. It was suggested that a joint meeting with Mosquito First Nation, Red Pheasant First Nation and Living Sky School Division be arranged to discuss issues.

## BOARD ITEMS

1. Potential Document for Monitoring Board Meetings
2. Public Board Caucus Letter of Nov. 22/07 – with revision
3. Information Checklist for New Board Members
4. Continuous Agenda – updated

**Note:** February 6, 2008 Regular Board Meeting will start at 3:00 pm to allow for some general Board discussions.

## DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION REPORT

Director of Education, *Ron Ford* presented his report as filed.

## REPORTS

Chief Financial Officer, *Ray Kopera* presented his report as filed.

## ACCOUNTS

Trustee *Foreman* moved the Board approve payment of accounts as follows:

1. Dec. 10/07	#017102-017432	\$ 524,825.42
2. Dec. 12/07	#017433-017434	2,880.04
3. Dec. 13/07	#017435-017436	7,025.00
4. Dec. 20/07	#000205-000210 US Acct	1,549.37
5. Dec. 20/07	#017437-017894	1,510,129.72
6. Dec. 21/07	#017895-017928	36,050.23
7. Jan. 3/08	#017929-017936	<u>1,210,346.50</u>
		<b>\$ 3,292,806.37</b>

## CORRESPONDENCE/OTHER

1. Saskatchewan Catholic Schools Boards Association Letter to Mr. Roy Challis, President SSBA - Dec. 18, 2007
2. SAMA Response to Resolution 2007-01 – Dec.11, 2007
3. SSBA Directions Newsletter – Dec. 21, 2007
4. STF Saskatchewan Bulletin – Dec.18, 2007

## RESOLUTIONS

039-08/01/09 Trustee *Gartner* moved the Board send a letter, with revisions as discussed, to the Minister of Learning regarding a Constitutional Reference as requested by the Public Board Caucus.  
*Carried*

040-08/01/09 Trustee *Sloan* moved the Board receive and accept the Board CEO Review report as filed.  
*Carried*

041-08/01/09 Trustee *Love* moved the Board approve and sign the Letter of Understanding, new classifications with CUPE effective September 1, 2007 for Journeyman Tradesperson, Tradesperson, Secretary Supervisor and Head Caretaker Supervisor.  
*Carried*

042-08/01/09 Trustee *Kowalchuk* moved the Board move to in-camera session.  
*Carried*

043-08/01/09 Trustee *Snell* moved the Board rise and report from in-camera session.  
*Carried*

044-08/01/09 Trustee *Pethick* moved the Board approve the August 31, 2007 Financial Statements and Auditor's Report as presented.

*Carried*

045-08/01/09 Trustee *Challis* moved the Board appoint the accounting firm of Johnson Holm Svenkeson as auditors for the Living Sky School Division for the three year term August 31, 2008, 2009, and 2010.

*Carried*

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Trustee *Foreman* moved the meeting be adjourned at 8:29 p.m.

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**CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD**

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**CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER**