

Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Education of the Saskatoon School Division No. 13 of Saskatchewan, held on Tuesday, April 15, 2025 at 6:30 p.m.

Members Present: Board Chair Kim Stranden, Trustees Angela Arneson, Donna Banks, Vernon Linklater, Tanya Napper, Anne-Marie Rollo, Kirk Jones, Kevin Schmidt, Ross Tait

Regrets: Trustee Jennifer Scherman

1. Roll Call

2. Acknowledgement

Chair Stranden called the meeting to order, read the roll call into the minutes, acknowledged the land on which we gather.

3. Adoption of Agenda and Declaration of Conflict of Interest

Trustee Schmidt moved approval of the agenda.

CARRIED (9)

Trustee Rollo declared a conflict of interest on one of the items coming out of committee of the whole.

4. Celebrating Excellence

4.1. Award of Excellence

Board Chair Stranden announced the recipient of the Saskatoon Board of Education's Award of Excellence. Liam McKay-Argyriou, a graduate of Marion M. Graham Collegiate was recognized for his excellence in academics, character, engagement and well-being. Principal Rick Iverson of Marion M. Graham Collegiate spoke to his compassionate nature and achievements. Liam accepted his award and said a few words.

4.2. 2023-2024 General Proficiency Award Winners

Deputy Director Hills highlighted the 2023-2024 award winners. Proficiency awards are presented to students with the highest average in grades 9, 10, 11 and 12.

5. Consent Items

Trustee Tait moved that the board approve the consent items as presented.

5.1. Approval of Minutes: March 4, 2025

5.2. Changes to Administrative Procedures – Yearly Update (for information)

CARRIED (9)

6. Reports from Administrative Staff

Information

6.1. Financial Results – Quarter 2 (December 1, 2024 to February 28, 2025) was presented for information.

6.2. City Centre School Project Update was presented for information.

Decision

6.3. Strategic Plan Accountability Report: Partnerships: Trustee Arneson moved that the board approve the Strategic Plan Accountability Report: Partnerships, to be included as part of the director of education's 2024-2025 evaluation. CARRIED (9)

7. Delegations

No delegations.

8. Business Arising from the Minutes

No business arising from the minutes.

9. Unfinished Business

9.1. Out-of-Scope Compensation Report: Trustee Banks moved that the board approve the recommendation decided at the April 1, 2025 Human Resources Committee meeting.

CARRIED (8-0-1)

Trustee Rollo abstained from voting

9.2. Trustee Remuneration: Trustee Tait moved that the board approve the per annum honorarium adjustment of 3.0% effective September 1, 2024 to trustee remuneration.

CARRIED (8-1-0)

Trustee Arneson voted against the motion

- 9.3. Insurance Renewal Invoice: Trustee Jones moved that the board approve the payment of \$1,172,964 including taxes, to AON for 2025-2026 insurance premiums and loss pool contributions. CARRIED (9)
- 9.4. City Centre School Wood Grant Vendor and Contract Approval: Trustee Linklater moved that the board award the contract to ABMT Wood Solutions Ltd., operating as Timberwood Innovations, for the supply of reclaimed nail-laminated timber for the City Centre School, in the amount of \$1,115,381 plus applicable taxes. CARRIED (9)
- 9.5. Tender Results: 2025 Supply of Relocatable Classrooms: Trustee Arneson moved that the board award the tender for 2025 Supply of Relocatable Classrooms project in the amount of \$2,689,450 plus applicable taxes to 3twenty Solutions Inc. CARRIED (9)
- 9.6. Lab/Library/Office Desktop Computer Refresh: Trustee Napper moved that the board approve the purchase of technology from Dell Canada at a cost of \$3,531,432 as part of the 2025–26 lab, library and office desktop computer refresh. CARRIED (9)
- 9.7. Board Subcommittee Minutes: Trustee Banks moved that the board approve the minutes of the Board Audit and Risk Committee meeting of November 26, 2024, Board Human Resources Committee meeting of February 25, 2025 and Board Governance Committee meeting of January 14, 2025. CARRIED (9)

10. Reports of Trustees

Trustee Arneson

- Attended:
 - the board meeting with City Council
 - SSBA Spring Assembly
 - Student Action for Sustainable Future Showcase at the Western Development Museum
 - Board Student Forum at Aden Bowman Collegiate
 - SpongeBob SquarePants Play at Dr. John G. Egnatoff School
 - Willowgrove's 10th Anniversary event
 - Centennial's Collegiate Community Council meeting
 - Dr. John G. Egnatoff's School Community Council meeting
 - Willowgrove's Science Fair
- Trustee Arneson wanted to congratulate Willowgrove Schools' Band Teacher Ms. Christopherson on her first place for Grade 6 and 8 students at the Saskatoon Music Festival.

Trustee Schmidt

- Attended:
 - Walter Murray Collegiate School Community Council meeting

- a tour of École Alvin Buckwold School
- Lakeridge School Community Council meeting
- SSBA Public Section Orientation
- Board Student Forum at Aden Bowman Collegiate
- SSBA Spring Assembly
- Public Governance Course with Johnson Shoyama
- board meeting with City Council
- Walter Murray Collegiate cultural event

Trustee Rollo

- Reported on attending many events that other trustees also have mentioned
- Attended the Roland Michener School Diversity Dinner and Cultural Showcase 50th Anniversary event
- Attending the École College Park School Heritage Fair on April 16, 2025

Board Chair Stranden

- Attended:
 - budget meetings
 - Howard Coad School Community Council meeting
 - Vincent Massey School Community Council meeting
 - Ernest Lindner School Community Council meeting
- Reported on attending many events that other trustees also have mentioned

Trustee Jones

- Attended:
 - SSBA Public Section Orientation
 - Brunskill School Community Council meeting
 - Board Student Forum at Aden Bowman Collegiate
 - SSBA Spring Assembly
 - École Victoria School Math and Muffins event
 - École Victoria Community Council event

Trustee Tait

- Attended the Parent Information Night and School Community Council meeting at Aden Bowman Collegiate which focused on Student Mental Health
- Reported on attending many events that other trustees also have mentioned

Trustee Linklater

- Attended:
 - Board Student Forum at Aden Bowman Collegiate
 - SSBA Spring Assembly and helped offer the Smudge Ceremony for the event

- Bedford Road Collegiate Round Dance, Pipe Ceremony and Feast
- King George School Round Dance, Pipe Ceremony and Feast

Trustee Banks

- Attended:
 - Board Chair Council meeting
 - a Tommy Douglas Collegiate basketball game
 - SSBA Public Section Orientation
 - James L. Alexander School Community Council meeting
 - Indigenous Council meeting
 - embargoed Budget pre and debrief meeting
 - Hoopla basketball event
 - wâhkôhtowin Community Council meeting
 - the John Dolan School Tour for Lori Kidney Vice President of Saskatchewan School Board Association
 - the board meeting with City Council
 - Board Student Forum at Aden Bowman Collegiate
 - SSBA Spring Assembly
 - SSBA Executive meeting

Trustee Napper

- Attended:
 - Mayfair Schools' Family Engagement Fun Night
 - North Park Wilson School Art Show
 - Marion M. Graham Collegiate Student Association meeting
 - all School Community Councils for Ward One
 - SSBA Public Section Orientation
 - Student Action for Sustainable Future Showcase at the Western Development Museum
 - the board meeting with City Council
 - SSBA Spring Assembly
 - Board Student Forum at Aden Bowman Collegiate
 - three board committee meetings
- Finished the Public Governance Course with Johnson Shoyama

11. New Business

11.1. Board Governance – Board Policies: Trustee Rollo moved that the board approve the housekeeping changes to:

- 1) Preamble: Strategic Plan
- 2) Policy 1: Role of the Board
- 3) Policy 4: Role of the Board Chair
- 4) Policy 5: Role of the Vice Chair

5) Policy 7: Committees of the Board

6) Policy 8: Board Representatives

CARRIED (9)

11.2. Board Meeting Dates for 2025-26 School Year: Trustee Schmidt moved that the board approve the board meeting dates for the 2025-26 school year.

CARRIED (9)

12. Notices of Motion: There were no notices of motion this evening.

13. Questions by Trustees: There were no questions from trustees this evening.

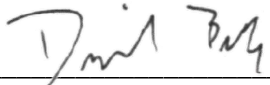
14. Comments/Concerns/Questions from the Public: There were no comments/concerns/questions from the public.


15. Adjournment

Trustee Tait moved that the board adjourn to the call of the chair or the board meeting of Tuesday, May 13, 2025.

CARRIED (9)

The meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m.



Secretary of the School Division

Board Chair