

Livingstone Range School Division #68 Minutes of the Board of Trustees

The scheduled Board Meeting of the Livingstone Range School Division No. 68 was held on Tuesday, January 12, 2010 at 1100h at the Administrative Office, Claresholm, Alberta. Following are the minutes from the meeting.

Attendance: Trustees Jim Burdett, Gini Decoux-Filipuzzi, Kelly Hall, Ken Murray, Dick Peterson - Chairman, Martha Ratcliffe - Vice-Chairman, and Don Thompson.

Ellie Elliott, Superintendent of Schools
Stephen Harris, Assistant to the Superintendent
Kathy Olmstead, Associate Superintendent, Education Services
Don Olsen, Associate Superintendent, Business Services
Olwyn Buckland, Executive Assistant

A. Call to Order

Chairman Peterson called the meeting to order at 1110 h.

B. Additions to the Agenda

09-075 Trustee Hall moved that the Board of Trustees approve the January 12, 2010 Agenda as presented.

Carried

C. Adoption of Minutes

09-076 Trustee Ratcliffe moved that the December 8, 2009 Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of Livingstone Range School Division No. 68 be approved by the Board of Trustees as presented.

Carried

D. Action

Stephen Harris and Kathy Olmstead reviewed a draft of the Three Year Enhancing High School Programming Plan for approval by the Board of Trustees. This plan, which has been in the makings for the past few years due to an annual decline in enrollment, and looking forward to the future in education, will offer a distributed learning model which offers multiple options for learning and teaching through a variety of delivery formats and mediums, whereby through design, students and their teachers may be separated in time and/or space for some or all of their interactions.

09-077 Trustee Decoux-Filipuzzi moved that the Board of Trustees approve the Three Year Enhancing High School Programming Plan as presented.

Carried

E. In-Camera

E.1 Personnel Issue

09-078 Trustee Hall moved that the Board of Trustees go in-camera to discuss personnel issues at 1207 h.

Carried

Trustee Hall moved that the Board revert to regular session at 1226 h.

Carried

A break was held at 1226 h and the meeting was brought back to order at 1353 h.

F. Discussion

F.1 Monthly Financial Statement

Associate Superintendent Olsen reviewed the monthly financial statement for the period ended December 31, 2009 which represents the completion of approximately 33.33% of the 2009-2010 school year.

F.2 Update on Board Priorities

Stephen Harris updated the Board of Trustees on the Board Priorities, Ensuring Parental and Community Involvement in Decision Making, Improve FMNI Success and Achievement, Improve Student Access to a Broader Range of High School Programs, and Improve Junior High Achievement in Science and Math.

F.3 Jurisdictional Satisfaction Surveys

The annual Satisfaction Surveys for students, parents and staff have been updated to align with the 2009-2012 Three Year Plan. The surveys, which will be implemented during the month of March, were reviewed by Stephen Harris.

F.4 Claresholm Modernization Update

Don Olsen updated the trustees on the progress of the modernization of West Meadow Elementary School stating it is close to completion with a formal walk through slated within one week. Ellie Elliott provided information regarding the planning for grade configuration in Claresholm schools for 2010-2011.

Gail Young entered the boardroom at 1345 h.

A break was held at 1345 and the meeting was brought back to order to 1355.

G. Putting Students First

G.1 High School Completion DVD

A recently completed DVD that documents three years of work involved in the High School Completion project was presented by Gail Young. This project includes the selection of Pinnacle software for grading and reporting, the use of responders to get feedback on student learning, and Red & Write Gold software for students. Software programs to support learning are changing classroom practice. By the end of 2011 all schools will use these.

Gail Young left the boardroom at 1410.

H. Reports

H.1 Chairman's Report

Chair Peterson reported on correspondence received and events he has attended since the last Board Meeting. In closing, Chair Peterson requested it be made public knowledge; to dispel speculations throughout the division, that all trustees uphold the interest of all students within the jurisdiction, not just the students within their ward.

H.2 Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Elliott distributed and reviewed her report to the trustees.

H.3 Trustee Reports

Trustees reported individually on events they attended since the last board meeting.

H.4 Committee Reports

Trustees reported on the following committees.

- a) A.S.B.A.
- b) Salaries Committee
- c) Southern Alberta Learning Resource
- d) Planning Meeting
- e) Awards Committee
- f) Professional Development Committee

I. Adjournment

09-080

Trustee Decoux-Filipuzzi moved to adjourn the meeting at 1455 h.

Carried

Chairman

Secretary-Treasurer