

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

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**Minutes of the Regular and Organization Meeting of the Good Spirit Board of Education  
Thursday, August 17, 2023  
Good Spirit Education Complex, Yorkton, Saskatchewan**

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

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

A	Balyski, Chris
P	Gendur, Gord
P	Leson, Shannon
P	Pohl, Nicole
P	Smandych, Lois

**Staff**

Quintin Robertson – Director of Education  
Keith Gervais – Chief Financial Officer  
Lauren Denysek – Assistant to the Director

**23-113**

Johnson:

**Call to order**

That this meeting now come to order at 10:04 a.m.  
**Carried.**

**23-114**

Variyan:

**Adoption of agenda**

That the agenda be adopted as presented.  
**Carried.**

Board member Morrison joined the meeting at 10:08 am

**23-115**

Gendur:

**Approval of June 15, 2023, regular minutes**

That the minutes of the June 15, 2023, Regular meeting be adopted as presented.  
**Carried.**

**23-116**

Morrison:

**Approval of August 16, 2023, special meeting minutes**

That the minutes of the August 16, 2023, Special Board meeting be adopted as presented.  
**Carried.**

**Business arising from the minutes**

None

**Conflict of Interest**

None

**Delegation**

Hudacek Family

Shaune Beatty, Superintendent of Schools, entered the meeting at 10:11 am to present on behalf of the Hudacek Family

### **Accountability Report**

1. Teacher and Administrator Supervision

Jason Trost, Superintendent of Human Resources, entered the meeting at 10:29 am to present the Accountability Report

23-117

Leson:

### **Accountability Report – Teacher and Administrator Supervision**

That the Board approve the accountability report on Teacher and Administrator Supervision and acknowledge the report met the requirements of QIs 4.1, 4.2, 4.3, 10.3, 10.4, and 10.7, based on the evidence within the report.

**Carried.**

### **Board Development**

1. Treaty Education

### **Closed Session Items**

1. Human Resources Report
  - a. Monthly Report – posted in the Resource Centre
  - b. Employee Concerns
  - c. Out of Scope Salaries
2. Governance Budget Report
3. School Closure/Grade Discontinuance & Boundary Review
  - a. School Division Administration Regulations
  - b. Policy 17 School Review
  - c. GSSD School Review Template
4. Student Discipline Reports
  - a. Student Discipline Report – 2186176
5. Transportation Committee
  - a. Carroll Family
  - b. Solonenka Family
  - c. Sharpe Family
  - d. Hystad Family

23-118

Simpson:

### **Enter closed session**

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

**Carried.**

Jason Trost, Human Resources Superintendent, joined the meeting at 11:17 am to present the Human Resources Reports and Out of Scope Salary items.

23-119

Pohl:

### **Exit closed session**

That the Board rise and report.

**Carried.**

Lunch

Board Member Simpson exited the meeting at 12:42 pm

Board Member Leson exited the meeting at 12:42 pm

Board Member Pohl exited the meeting at 12:42 pm

23-120

Dokuchie:

### **Enter closed session**

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

**Carried.**

Transportation Manager, Ryan Hall joined the meeting at 12:58 pm to present the Transportation Committee items.

**23-121**  
Smandych: **Exit closed session**  
That the Board rise and report.  
**Carried.**

**Action Items**

1. Items Arising from Closed Session
  - a. Out of Scope Salaries
  - b. Student Discipline Committee Recommendations
    - i. Student Discipline Report – 2186176
  - b. Transportation Committee Recommendations
    - i. Carroll Family
    - ii. Solonenka Family
    - iii. Sharpe Family
    - iv. Hystad Family

**23-122**  
Anderson: **Out of Scope Salaries**  
That the Board approve the proposed salary and benefits for out of scope staff as presented.  
**Carried.**

**23-123**  
Variyan: **Student Discipline Recommendation - 2186176**  
That the Board approve the recommendation as outlined in Student Discipline Report – 2186176.  
**Carried.**

**23-124**  
Gendur: **Carroll Transportation Request**  
That the Board approve the recommendation of the Transportation Committee to approve the Carroll Transportation Request.  
**Carried.**

**23-125**  
Morrison: **Solonenka Transportation Request**  
That the Board approve the recommendation of the Transportation Committee to deny the Solonenka Transportation Request.  
**Carried.**

**23-126**  
Dokuchie: **Sharpe Transportation Request**  
That the Board approve the recommendation of the Transportation Committee to approve the Sharpe Transportation Request.  
**Carried.**

**23-127**  
Smandych: **Hystad Transportation Request**  
That the Board approve the recommendation of the Transportation Committee to approve the Hystad Transportation Request.  
**Carried.**

**New Business**

1. Policy 1 – Foundational Statements, Division Focus Areas, and Long-term Goals
2. Policy 2 Appendix A – Annual Work Plan
3. Policy 8 – Committees of the Board
  - a. Policy 8 Appendix C – Indigenous Advisory Committee
4. Kamsack Comprehensive Institute School Community Council Loan Application
5. Policy 3 Appendix B Board Member Visits to Schools and Other Division Facilities

**23-128**  
Anderson: **Policy 1 – Foundational Statements, Division Focus Areas, and Long-term Goals**  
That the Board approve Board Policy 1 – Foundational Statements as presented.  
**Carried.**

**23-129**  
Variyan: **Policy 2 Appendix A – Annual Work Plan**  
That the Board approve Board Policy 2 Appendix A – Annual Work Plan.  
**Carried.**

**23-130**  
Gendur: **Policy 8 – Committees of the Board**  
That the Board approve Board Policy 8 – Committees of the Board, as presented.  
**Carried.**

**23-131**  
Morrison: **Policy 8 Appendix C – Indigenous Advisory Committee**  
That the Board approve Board Policy 8 Appendix C – Indigenous Advisory Committee with amendment to include The Key First Nation representative, as presented.  
**Carried.**

**23-132**  
Dokuchie: **KCI 15-Passenger Van School Community Council Loan Application**  
That the Board approves the SCC loan application for the KCI purchase of a 15-passenger van.  
**Carried.**

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

**23-133**  
Robertson: **Nominations for Board Chair**  
That the nominations for Board Chair be opened.  
**Carried.**

1<sup>st</sup> call – Smandych nominated Johnson  
2<sup>nd</sup> call – No nominations  
3<sup>rd</sup> call – No nominations

**23-134**  
Variyan: **Close of Nominations**  
That nominations cease.  
**Carried.**

**By acclamation – Jaime Johnson was declared Chair.**

**23-135**  
Johnson: **Nominations for Vice Chair**  
That nominations for Board Vice Chair be opened.  
**Carried.**

1<sup>st</sup> call – Morrison nominated Pohl  
2<sup>nd</sup> call – No nominations  
3<sup>rd</sup> call – No nominations

**23-136**  
Smandych: **Close of Nominations**  
That nominations cease.  
**Carried.**

**By acclamation – Nicole Pohl was declared Vice Chair.**

**23-137**  
Gendur: **Signatories of the Board**  
That the signing officers be the Chair or Vice Chair and the Chief Financial Officer or the Accounting Manager.  
**Carried.**

**23-138**  
Morrison:

**Borrowing**

That the Chairperson and the Chief Financial Officer are authorized to borrow from the Bank of Montreal the sum of six million two hundred thousand (\$6,200,000) 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.**

**23-139**  
Dokuchie:

**Meeting Schedule**

That the Board meet at the Good Spirit Education Complex in the RM of Orkney or via video conference call at 10 am according to the following schedule in 2023-2024:

- October 12, 2023
- November 16, 2023
- December 14, 2023
- January 25, 2024
- February 29, 2024
- March 28, 2024
- April 25, 2024
- June 13, 2024
- August 15, 2024

**Carried.**

**23-140**  
Smandych:

**Board Executive Committee**

That Variyan serve with the Board Chair and Board Vice Chair as the Board representatives on the Board Executive Committee.

**Carried.**

**23-141**  
Anderson:

**Board Finance Committee**

That Smandych and Morrison along with one of the Chair or Vice-Chair serve as the Board representatives on the Board Finance Committee.

**Carried.**

**23-142**  
Gendur:

**Indigenous Advisory Committee**

That Dokuchie serve with the Board Chair and Board Vice Chair as the Board representatives on the Indigenous Advisory Committee.

**Carried.**

Trustee Variyan left the meeting at 2:00 pm

**23-143**  
Dokuchie:

**LINC Negotiations Committee**

That Smandych and Morrison serve as the Board representatives on the LINC Negotiations Committee.

**Carried.**

**23-144**

Morrison:

**Support Staff Negotiations Committee**

That Gendur and Simpson serve as the Board representatives on the Support Staff Negotiations Committee.

**Carried.**

**23-145**

Dokuchie:

**Board Transportation Committee**

That Simpson, Anderson, and Pohl serve as the Board representatives on the Board Transportation Committee.

**Carried.**

**23-146**

Morrison:

**Workplace Wellness Committee**

That Anderson serve as the Board representative on the Board Workplace Wellness Committee.

**Carried.**

**23-147**

Smandych:

**Melville Comprehensive School Governance Authority**

That Simpson serve as the board representative for the Melville Comprehensive School Governance Authority.

**Carried.**

**23-148**

Gendur:

**Public Section**

That Smandych serve as the Board representative on the Public Section and Anderson serve as the alternate.

**Carried.**

**23-149**

Anderson:

**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.**

**23-150**

Anderson:

**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 Columbia, Gendur attend Dr. Brass and MC Knoll, and Morrison attend Yorkton Regional High School. If unable to attend, then an alternate will be chosen from the other Yorkton at large trustees.

**Carried.**

**23-151**

Gendur:

**Indemnities - Board Meetings**

That the indemnity meeting rate be \$300 for all Trustees.

**Carried.**

**23-152**

Morrison:

**Indemnities – Supervision and Committees**

That the hourly rates for Supervision and Committee representation be \$75 per hour, in half hour increments, to a maximum of 4 hours per day, conducted through either audio conference, video conference or face-to-face.

**Carried.**

**23-153**

Dokuchie:

**Indemnities – Conference**

That the rate for board conference representation, conducted either through audio conference, video conference, or face-to-face, be \$300 per full day and at half these rates per half day (3 hours or less). Further, that the conference/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, they will be registered late, and the \$100 late fee will be payable by the Board.

**Carried.**

**23-154**

Smandych:

**Monthly Rates – Meeting Preparation**

That the Board member be recognized for meeting preparation in the amount of \$150 each month beginning September 1, 2023.

**Carried.**

**23-155**

Anderson:

**Monthly Rates – Board Chair and Vice Chair**

That the Board Chair receive a monthly allowance of \$250 per month and the Board Vice Chair receive a monthly allowance of \$125 beginning September 1, 2023.

**Carried.**

**23-156**

Gendur:

**Expense Reimbursement Rates**

That the Board set the mileage rate at \$0.47 per kilometer beginning September 1, 2023; and,

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

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

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

**Carried.**

**23-157**

Morrison:

**Indemnity Approval**

That the Vice Chair review and approve all indemnity forms prior to payment for Trustees however, Board member Smandych will review and approve the indemnity forms of the Chair; and, the Chair will review and approve the indemnity forms of the Vice Chair.

**Carried.**

**23-158**

Dokuchie:

**Electrical Outlet Rental Fees**

That the Board set the electrical outlet rental fees at \$45 per year.

**Carried.**

**23-159**

Smandych:

**Destruction of Ballots – Transportation Committee**

That the ballots used for the selection of the Board Transportation Committee be destroyed.

**Carried.**

**23-160**

Anderson:

**Destruction of Ballots – Workplace Wellness Steering Committee**

That the ballots used for the selection of the Workplace Wellness Steering Committee be destroyed.

**Carried.**

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

1. CSCC Update and Action Plan
2. Minister’s DLC Letter from June 20, 2023

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

1. Thank you notes
2. Important Dates
3. Financial Update
4. Transportation Update
5. GSSD Professional Development Opportunities
6. Public Section Update
7. Correspondence
  - a. Letter Regarding Melville Comprehensive School Awards Night

**Committee / Conference Reports**

1. School Community Council Meetings
2. Public Section Debrief
3. CSBA Conference (tabled until next meeting)

### **Future Business**

1. Meeting dates
  - a. October 12, 2023
  - b. November 16, 2023
  - c. December 14, 2023
  - d. January 25, 2024
  - e. February 29, 2024
  - f. March 28, 2024
  - g. April 25, 2024
  - h. June 13, 2024
  - i. August 15, 2024
  - j. Other
    - i. May 23, 2024 – Special Board Meeting (Preliminary Budget)
2. Notice of Motion
3. Topics for Future Agenda
  - a. Accountability
    - i. Equitable Access to Technology (High Quality Teaching and Learning)
  - b. Board Development
    - i. Fast Facts on Inclusive Education
  - c. Director's Report
    - i. Review Public Friendly Strategic Plan Report
    - ii. Enrolment & PTR Report
  - d. Board Business
    - i. Review community and family engagement strategies
    - ii. Appoint voting delegations
    - iii. Allocate votes for SSBA Fall General Assembly
    - iv. Review SSBA Position Statements & Resolutions for the Fall General Assembly
    - v. Review Policy 2, Policy 2B, Policy 3, Policy 3A, & Policy 3B

**23-161**  
Morrison:

**Adjournment**  
That we do adjourn at 3:27 pm.  
**Carried.**

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**BOARD CHAIR – Johnson**

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**SECRETARY – Gervais**