

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

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Good Spirit Board of Education
Thursday, August 15, 2024
Good Spirit Education Complex, Yorkton, Saskatchewan**

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

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

Staff

Quintin Robertson – Director of Education
Keith Gervais – Chief Financial Officer
Lauren Denysek – Communications Coordinator
Shaune Beatty – Superintendent of Schools

24-119

Johnson:

Call to order

That this meeting now come to order at 10:01 a.m.

Carried.

24-120

Simpson:

Adoption of agenda

That the agenda be adopted as presented.

Carried.

24-121

Balyski:

Adoption of agenda

That the amended June 13, 2024 agenda be adopted as presented.

Carried.

24-122

Dokuchie:

Approval of June 13, 2024, regular minutes

That the minutes of the June 13, 2024, Regular meeting be adopted as presented.

Carried.

Business arising from the minutes

None

Conflict of Interest

None

Board Member Balyski entered the meeting at 10:02 am

Pat Morrison, Facilities Manager, and Amanda Kornaga, Superintendent of Schools joined the meeting at 10:03 am to present the Accountability Report

Sandra Cripps, Tim Hosaluk, and Aimee Smith with the Saskatchewan Association for Safe Workplace in Health joined the meeting at 10:03 am to present a Facilities Safety Presentation

Lisa Wotherspoon, Superintendent of Learning, entered the Board meeting at 10:03 am to present the Board Development on the Role of the Consultant.

Board Member Gendur entered the meeting at 10:08 am

Board Member Leson entered the meeting via TEAMS at 11:07 am

Delegation

None

Accountability Report

1. Offering Safe & Inviting Facilities Report (Healthy, Sustainable Physical & Social Environments Focus Area)

24-123

Accountability Report – Offering Safe & Inviting Facilities Report (Healthy, Sustainable Physical & Social Environments Focus Area)

Smandych:

That the Board approve the accountability report on Offering Safe and Inviting Facilities and acknowledge the report met the requirements of QIs 1.1, 1.2, 7.4, 11.5 based on the evidence within the report.

Carried.

Board Development

1. Role of the Consultant

Board Member Variyan entered the meeting at 11:29 am

Mick Parmar, Superintendent of Schools, and Lisa Alspach, Superintendent of Human Resources entered the meeting at 11:41 pm to present the Confidential Human Resource report.

Closed Session Items

1. Human Resources Report
 - a. Employee Concerns
2. Governance Report
3. Student Discipline Report
 - a. None
4. Transportation Committee
 - a. Barbuliak Family Request
 - b. Wilkinson Family Request
 - c. Godwin Family Request
 - d. Louison Family Request
 - e. Van Horn Delegation

24-124

Anderson:

Enter closed session

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

Carried.

24-125

Variyan:

Exit closed session

That the Board exit closed session.

Carried.

Lunch

Good Spirit Education Complex Staff joined the Board meeting for an advocacy/relationship-building session.

Advocacy/Relationship Building

Employees from the Good Spirit Education Complex joined the Board for lunch and a relationship building session.

24-126

Morrison:

Enter closed session

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

Carried.

24-127

Gendur:

Exit closed session

That the Board rise and report.

Carried.

Action Items

1. Items Arising from Closed Session
 - a. Transportation Committee Recommendations
 - i. Barbuliak Family Request
 - ii. Wilkinson Family Request
 - iii. Godwin Family Request
 - iv. Louison Family Request
 - v. Van Horn Delegation

24-128

Leson:

Barbuliak Family Request

That the Board approve the recommendation of the Transportation Committee to deny the Barbuliak transportation request.

Carried.

24-129

Simpson:

Wilkinson Family Request

That the Board approve the recommendation of the Transportation Committee to approve the Wilkinson transportation request. This request will be reviewed, and likely removed, when/if there is no longer a student accessing transportation from the same residence within the correct attendance area.

Carried.

24-130

Balyski:

Godwin Family Request

That the Board approve the recommendation of the Transportation Committee to approve the Godwin transportation request for the 2024-25 school year. The requirement will remain to have the request made annually.

Carried.

24-131

Dokuchie:

Louison Family Request

That the Board approve the recommendation of the Transportation Committee to deny the Louison transportation request.

Carried.

24-132

Smandych:

Van Horn Delegation

That the Board approve the recommendation of the Transportation Committee to deny the Van Horn transportation request. The Host Family option will be offered to the family.

Carried.

New Business

1. Review Results from the Preliminary Board Evaluation Survey & Develop a Positive Path Forward
2. School Closure/Grade Discontinuance and Boundary Review
3. Policy Review
 - a. Policy 1
 - b. Policy 2 Appendix A – Annual Work Plan

24-133
Anderson:

Policy 1

That the Board approve Board Policy 1 as presented.
Carried.

24-134
Variyan:

Policy 2 Appendix A – Annual Work Plan

That the Board approve Board Policy 2 Appendix A – Annual Work Plan as presented.
Carried.

Discussion Items presented by the Director of Education

1. Board Chair Council Update
2. Update on City of Yorkton’s Planning and Infrastructure Commission
3. Public Section Update
4. Indigenous Advisory Council Update

Information Items presented by the Director of Education

1. Thank you notes
2. Important Dates
3. Saskatchewan School Boards Association
4. GSSD Professional Development Opportunities
5. Student Incident Report
6. Transportation Update
7. Financial Update
8. Administrative Procedures
 - a. AP 230 – Home Based Education
 - b. AP 240 – Distance Learning
 - c. AP 226 – 226 Engagement of First Nations and Métis Elders, Traditional Knowledge Keepers, and Elders’ Helper
 - d. AP 226 Appendix A – Expense Voucher – Elders and Knowledge Keepers’ Program
 - e. AP 358 – Use of Cell Phone and Electronic Devices in Schools
9. Correspondence

Board Member Balyski exited the meeting at 2:50 pm.

Board Member Smandych exited the meeting at 3:12 pm.

Committee / Conference Reports

1. SCC Meetings & Celebrations

Future Business

1. Meeting dates
 - a. October 10, 2024
 - b. Other
 - i. November 13, 2024 – Board Elections
2. Notice of Motion
3. Topics for Future Agenda
 - a. Accountability
 - i. Report on student readiness as they exit Kindergarten. This report will explore effective strategies and practices aimed at ensuring more students exit Kindergarten fully prepared for the next stage of their educational journey.
 - b. Director’s Report
 - i. Review Public Friendly Strategic Plan Report
 - ii. Review Enrolment & Pupil Teacher Ratio Report
 - c. Board Business
 - i. Appoint voting delegations for the SSBA Fall General Assembly
 - ii. Allocate votes for SSBA Fall General Assembly

- iii. Review SSBA Position Statements & resolutions for the Fall General Assembly
- iv. Review Board Policy 1 and Policy 2

24-135

Variyan:

Adjournment

That we do adjourn at 3:33 pm.

Carried.

BOARD CHAIR – Johnson

SECRETARY – Gervais