

**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, December 12, 2024
Good Spirit Education Complex, Yorkton, Saskatchewan**

Board Members (P)Present (A)Absent

P	Balyski, Chris
P	Johnson, Jaime – Chair
P	Makort, Cara
P	Palmer, Kelly
A	Jamie Smart-Sondergaard
P	Variyan, Steve

P	Brass, Jay-Cee
P	Leson, Shannon
P	Morrison, Jan
P	Pohl, Nicole – Vice Chair
P	Stav, Kendra

Staff

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

24-214

Pohl:

Call to order

That this meeting now come to order at 10:02 a.m.

Carried.

24-215

Stav:

Adoption of agenda

That the agenda be adopted as presented.

Carried.

24-216

Morrison:

Approval of November 21, 2024, regular minutes

That the minutes of the November 21, 2024, Regular meeting be adopted as presented.

Carried.

Business arising from the minutes

None

Conflict of Interest

None

Delegation

None

Accountability Report

1. Promoting Equity, Diversity and Inclusion in GSSD Schools

Board Member Brass entered the meeting at 10:22 am

24-217

Palmer:

Accountability Report – Promoting Equity, Diversity and Inclusion in GSSD Schools

That the Board approve the accountability report on Promoting Equity, Diversity and Inclusion in GSSD Schools and acknowledge the report met the requirements of QIs 1.1, 1.6, 2.6, 3.1, 6.4, 7.2 and 8.2, based on the evidence within the report.

Carried.

Board Development

1. Governance Skills Development

Board Chair Johnson entered the meeting at 10:43 am

Closed Session Items

1. Human Resources Report
 - a. CUPE 5123 Ratification
2. Transportation Committee
 - a. Sparling Delegation
 - b. Hull Family Request
 - c. Hardy Family Request
3. Finance Committee
 - a. Bus Tender

24-218

Balyski:

Enter closed session

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

Carried.

24-219

Makort:

Exit closed session

That the Board exit closed session.

Carried.

Lunch

24-220

Variyan:

Enter closed session

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

Carried.

Ryan Hall, Transportation Manager entered the meeting at 12:56 pm

24-221

Leson:

Exit closed session

That the Board rise and report.

Carried.

Action Items

1. Items Arising from Closed Session
 - a. Transportation Committee Recommendations
 - i. Sparling Delegation
 - ii. Hull Family Request
 - iii. Hardy Family Request
 - b. Finance Committee Recommendation
 - i. Bus Tender
 - c. CUPE 5123 Ratification

24-222

Brass:

Sparling Delegation

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

Carried.

24-223

Pohl:

Hull Family Request

That the Board approve the recommendation of the Transportation Committee to approve the Hull transportation request. This request will be reviewed annually and/or when necessary to determine the impact to the route moving forward.

Carried.

- 24-224**
Stav: **Hardy Family Request**
That the Board approve the recommendation of the Transportation Committee to deny the Hardy transportation request.
Carried.
- 24-225**
Morrison: **Bus Tender**
That the Board accept the recommendation of the Finance Committee to purchase 10 new Thomas buses from Warner Industries. This will consist of two 53-passenger buses, six 65-passenger buses, and two 71- passenger buses.
Carried.
- 24-226**
Palmer: **CUPE 5123 Ratification**
That the Board approve the ratification of the tentative agreement with Canadian Union of Public Employees Local 5123 for the contract August 1, 2023 to July 31, 2027.
Carried.
- New Business**
1. Review Communication Strategies
 2. Annual Risk Registry
 3. Policy Review
 - a. Policy 3A – Services, Materials, and Equipment Provided to Trustees
 - b. Policy 4 – Board Member Code of Conduct
 - c. Policy 4A – Code of Ethics
 - d. Policy 4B – Code of Conduct Sanctions - Tabled
 - e. Policy 4C – Conflict of Interest Protocol
 - f. Policy 4D – Annual Declaration of Potentially Conflicting Interests
 - g. Policy 4E – Online Presence and Social Media Guidelines
 - h. Policy 2A – Annual Work Plan
- 24-227**
Balycki: **Annual Risk Registry**
That the Board approve the implementation of the identified risk mitigation strategies and direct administration to provide quarterly updates on their progress to ensure alignment with divisional priorities and quality indicators.
Carried.
- 24-228**
Makort: **Policy 3A – Services, Materials, and Equipment Provided to Trustees**
That the Board approve the amended Board Policy 3A – Services, Materials, and Equipment Provided to Trustees as presented.
Carried.
- 24-229**
Variyan: **Policy 4 – Board Member Code of Conduct**
That the Board approve Board Policy 4 Board Member Code of Conduct as presented with minor edits.
Carried.
- 24-230**
Leson: **Policy 4A – Code of Ethics**
That the Board approve Board Policy 4A Code of Ethics as presented with minor edits.
Carried.
- 24-231**
Brass: **Policy 4C – Conflict of Interest Protocol**
That the Board approve Board Policy 4C Conflict of Interest Protocol as presented with minor edits.
Carried.

24-232

Pohl:

Policy 4D – Annual Declaration of Potentially Conflicting Interests

That the Board approve Board Policy 4D Annual Declaration of Potentially Conflicting Interests as presented with minor edits.

Carried.

24-233

Stav:

Policy 4E – Online Presence and Social Media Guidelines

That the Board approve Board Policy 4E Online Presence and Social Media Guidelines as presented with minor edits.

Carried.

24-234

Morrison:

Policy 2A – Annual Work Plan

That the Board approve Board Policy 2A 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. Provincial Education Plan Update

Board Member Stav exited the meeting at 2:47 pm

Ryan Hall, Transportation Manager entered the meeting at 2:50 pm

Board Member Brass exited the meeting at 3:00 pm

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. Financial Update
7. Transportation Update
8. Administrative Procedures
9. Correspondence

Committee / Conference Reports

1. SCC Meetings & Celebrations

Future Business

1. Meeting dates
 - a. January 23, 2025
 - b. February 27, 2025
 - c. March 27, 2025
 - d. April 24, 2025
 - e. June 12, 2025
 - f. August 14, 2025
 - g. Other
 - i. May 22, 2025 – Special Board Meeting
 - ii. August 13, 2025 – Evaluation & Special Board Meeting
2. Notice of Motion
3. Topics for Future Agenda
 - a. Accountability
 - i. Report on the current percentage of students in Grades 1 to 3 who are reading at or above grade level. Additionally, it outlines

- the strategies employed by the division to support literacy instruction and improve reading proficiency.
- b. Board Development
 - i. Financial Oversight and Budgeting
 - c. Director's Report
 - i. Review the Board Budget Development Framework for 2025-26
 - ii. Financial Update
 - iii. Facilities Update and Tours
 - iv. Review of the draft 2025-26 school year calendar
 - v. Review Years of Service & SEASTARS Award Winners
 - d. Board Business
 - i. Approve French immersion designation
 - ii. Review of MCS Governance Agreement
 - iii. Review Board Policy 5, Policy 6, and Policy 7

24-235

Leson:

Adjournment

That we do adjourn at 3:34 pm.

Carried.

BOARD CHAIR – Johnson

SECRETARY – Gervais