



Peace Wapiti Public School Division

Meeting Minutes

March 14, 2024 - Peace Wapiti Board Meeting - 10:30 AM

Trustees Present:

Martine Piebiak, Blaine Riding, Wendy Kelm, Dale Crane, Stefanie Clarke, Millie Turner, and Dana McIntosh

Via Google Meet:

Dwayne Speager and Lori Grant

Administration Present:

Bob Stewart, Darren Young, Penny Rose, Ralph Paquin, Dave Michalko, Ted Gobin, Kellie Lewis, Kayla Klava, and Keli Houle

1. Google Meet Code

2. Trustee Disclosure (Reminder)

Trustees must disclose any potential pecuniary interest in any matter before the Board of Trustees, as set forth in the agencies as well as any pecuniary interest in any contract before the Board requiring the Board's approval and/or ratification.

3. Call to Order (Chair)

Vice Chair Riding called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

4. O Canada

5. Land Acknowledgement

We acknowledge that we are on the homeland of many diverse First Nations and Métis people and their ancestors here in Treaty 8 Territory.

6. Consent Agenda (Chair)

Resolution # BM20240314.1001

Moved By: Trustee Kelm

that the Board approve the Consent Agenda including:

1. Peace Wapiti Board Minutes - February 22, 2024

2. International Travel - pending compliance with *Policy HGCG Off-Site-Activities*

- a. Beaverlodge Regional High School - France and Italy, Spring Break 2025
- b. Spirit River Regional Academy - Italy and Greece, Spring Break 2025
- c. Hythe Regional School and Helen E. Taylor School - Greece, Spring Break 2025

3. Information

- a. As per the JOBA-APM, Superintendent Stewart arranged for a contribution on behalf of the Board to the North West Regional Skills Canada Competition 2024 in the amount of \$2500.00. This value along with notification to the Board in the Consent Agenda aligns with the requirements within the administrative procedure.
- b. Letter from Savanna School Council - Second Language Instruction Policy
- c. Vaping Reduction and Prevention Report

Carried

7. Adoption of Agenda (Chair)

Resolution # BM20240314.1002

Moved By: Trustee Piebiak

that the Board approve the agenda as presented.

Carried

8. Good News

9. Presentations

9.1 12:40 p.m. Inclusive Education Coordinators (Asst. Supt. Putio)

The Inclusive Education Coordinators report was postponed.

10. Action Items

10.1 10:45 a.m. WRCS Boundary Adjustment (Dep. Supt. Young)

Resolution # BM20240314.1003

Moved By: Trustee McIntosh

that the Board direct Administration to adjust the current Whispering Ridge Community School and Harry Balfour School attendance boundaries to reflect Option 2.a. from the Boundary Engagement Report.

A recorded vote was requested by Tr. McIntosh:

In favour: Tr. Clarke, Tr. Crane, Tr. Grant, Tr. McIntosh, Tr. Riding, Tr. Speager, Tr. Turner

Opposed: Tr. Kelm, Tr. Piebiak

Carried

10.2 Acquisitions of Locally Developed Courses (Asst. Supt. Rose)

Resolution # BM20240314.1004

Moved By: Trustee Clarke

that the Board permit Administration to apply for Locally Developed Courses for the 2024-2025 school year.

Carried

10.3 Capital Plan (Dep. Supt. Young)

Resolution # BM20240314.1005

Moved By: Trustee Clarke

that the Board approve the 2025-2028 Capital Plan as presented.

Carried

10.4 2025 Special Olympics Gift-in-Kind Request (Supt. Stewart)

Resolution # BM20240314.1006

Moved By: Trustee Kelm

that the Board provide Peace Wapiti Public School Division buses for use during the 2025 Special Olympics Alberta Summer Games planned for July 2025, in Grande Prairie and area.

Carried

10.5 Second Language Instruction (Tr. Piebiak)

Resolution # BM20240314.1007

Moved By: Trustee Piebiak

that the Board direct the Policy Review Committee to review *Policy HGBF - Second Language Instruction* to adjust the policy so second languages are encouraged but are no longer mandatory in Peace Wapiti Public Schools.

Carried

10.6 Town of Sexsmith Meeting (Tr. Grant)

Resolution # BM20240314.1008

Moved By: Trustee McIntosh

that the Board allow Tr. Crane to meet with Town of Sexsmith representatives, along with Superintendent Stewart, during the spring of 2024 to discuss items of interest, share updates, and discuss any matters within the Joint Use Planning Agreement.

Carried

10.7 Chamber of Commerce Round Table Event (Supt. Stewart)

Resolution # BM20240314.1009

Moved By: Trustee McIntosh

that the Board approve the attendance of Tr. Riding or Tr. Grant at the Chamber of Commerce Round Table Event on March 22, 2024.

Carried

11. Reports

11.1 Superintendent's Report (Supt. Stewart)

Resolution # BM20240314.1010

Moved By: Trustee Clarke

that the Board receive the Superintendent's Report as information.

Carried

11.2 Facilities/IMR Update (Dir. Michalko)

Resolution # BM20240314.1011

Moved By: Trustee Kelm

that the Board receive the Facilities/IMR Annual Report as information.

Carried

11.3 Communications Committee Report (Tr. Piebiak)

Resolution # BM20240314.1012

Moved By: Trustee Piebiak

that the Board receive the Communications Committee Report as information.

Carried

11.4 ASBA Zone 1 Meeting (Tr. Riding)

Resolution # BM20240314.1013

Moved By: Trustee Kelm

that the Board receive the ASBA Zone 1 Meeting Report as information.

Carried

11.5 Alberta Education Rural Symposium (Tr. Riding)

Resolution # BM20240314.1014

Moved By: Trustee Turner

that the Board receive the Rural Education Symposium Report as information.

Carried

11.6 Rural Caucus of Alberta Meeting Report (Tr. Riding)

Resolution # BM20240314.1015

Moved By: Trustee Piebiak

that the Board receive the Rural Caucus of Alberta Meeting Report as information.

Carried

11.7 Political Action Committee Report (Tr. McIntosh)

Resolution # BM20240314.1016

Moved By: Trustee McIntosh

that the Board receive the Political Action Report as information.

Carried

12. Board Calendar

The Board Calendar was reviewed.

13. Adjournment

Resolution # BM20240314.1017

Moved By: Trustee Piebiak

that the meeting be adjourned at 12:04 p.m.

Carried

Board Chair

Corporate Officer