Board Minutes - April 14, 2025 (Unapproved)

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees held in the Division Office Board Room on April 14, 2025, commencing at 7:00 p.m.

Board Chair: Treaty and Land Acknowledgement

Spanning generations, acknowledgement of the land is a traditional custom of Indigenous people when welcoming outsiders onto their land and into their homes. To build respectful relationships, acknowledging the land is an important part of reconciliation. It honours the authentic history of North America, its original people and tells the story of the creation of this country that has historically been missing.

Before we begin, we would like to acknowledge that we are on Turtle Island where Indigenous Peoples have lived since time began.

We are gathering today on the ancestral lands of the (Neeyawak) nêhiyawak (Cree), Anihšināpēk (Saulteaux), Nakota, Dakota, and Lakota native - who walked and lived on this land and knew it to be the centre of their lives and spirituality.

We acknowledge this land became the Homeland of the Red River Metis.

We respect and honour the Treaties that were made on all territories, we acknowledge the harms and mistakes of the past. With this understanding, we are committed to move forward in partnership with Indigenous Nations in the spirit of education, reconciliation, and collaboration.

We acknowledge that today, these lands continue to be the shared Territory of many diverse peoples from near and far who call it home and we all bound together by Treaty 4.

The following were present:

Chair: Vice Chair:

Vice Chair: K. Highmoor Trustees: A. Fuchs

D. Burghart V. Rooks T. Mendel V. Zastre

G. Wowchuk

Superintendent: R. Tomlinson

Secretary-Treasurer: B. Rausch

Absent: V. Zastre

Additions to the Agenda

By Board consensus, the following addition to the Agenda was approved:

7.2. Staffing Report

16.8.4.1. Support Letter

16.3.6. Transportation Report

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Resolutions:

- R1 <u>V. Rooks, T. Mendel:</u>
 THAT the Minutes of the regular board meeting of April 14, 2025, be adopted. <u>CARRIED</u>
- R2 A. Fuchs, V. Rooks:
 THAT as per the Superintendent/CEO Report, 7.3, Benito Strings Trip, be received and approved as outlined. CARRIED
- R3 V. Rooks, T. Mendel:
 THAT as per item 8.2, the Report on Capital Disbursements be received, and the invoices outlined be approved/ratified for payment. CARRIED
- A. Fuchs, D. Burghart:
 THAT as per the Report of the Secretary-Treasurer, 8.3, general cheques numbering 59758 to 59828 and cheques 3550 to 3559, transfers (bank fees) and EFT's, which includes general and payroll in the amount of \$4,426,457.02, for the month ending February 28, 2025, be approved for payment. CARRIED
- R5 <u>K. Highmoor, A. Fuchs:</u>
 THAT the Board move to In-Camera. <u>CARRIED</u>
- R6 A. Fuchs, T. Mendel:
 THAT the Board move out of In-Camera. CARRIED
- R7 <u>K. Highmoor, T. Mendel:</u>
 THAT the Report of the Secretary-Treasurer, 8.4, on the 2025/26 Budget, be received and approved as presented. CARRIED
- R8 <u>T. Mendel, V. Rooks:</u>
 THAT the Staffing Report of the Superintendent/CEO, 7.2 and 16.2.1, be ratified. <u>CARRIED</u>
- R9 <u>K. Highmoor, A. Fuchs:</u>
 THAT the Report of the Secretary-Treasurer, 16.3.5, on the SVSD VOIP transition to MS Teams Voice, be received and the agreement with Bell MTS as outlined be approved.
- R10 <u>K. Highmoor, A. Fuchs:</u>
 THAT we do now adjourn at 10:22 p.m. CARRIED

Chair

Secretary-Treasurer

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