

Minutes

Provincial Executive Meeting

Monday, March 8, 2021

Leadership, advocacy and service for Manitoba's public school boards

Via Zoom Video-Conference
9:00 a.m.

<u>PRESENT:</u>	Alan Campbell	President
	Sandy Nemeth	Vice-President
	Floyd Martens	Vice-President
	Sherilyn Bambridge	Director Region #1
	Leah Klassen	Director Region #2
	Lena Kublick	Director Region #3
	Vaughn Wadelius	Director Region #4
	Sandra Lethbridge	Director Region #5
	Julie Fisher	Director Region #5
	Josh Watt	Executive Director
	Janis Arnold	Interim Director, Education and Communication Services
	Morgan Whiteway	Acting Director, Labour Relations and Human Resource Services
	Robyn Winters	Chief Financial Officer
	Darren Thomas	Risk Manager
	Andrea Kehler	Executive Assistant

REGRETS: Chris Broughton Director Region #6

Alan Campbell welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

1.1 LAND AND TREATY ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Before we begin today's meetings, I would like to acknowledge that the lands on which we are gathering are the lands of the St. Peter's or Selkirk Treaty and of Numbered Treaties 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5, territories of the Anishinaabe Cree, Dene, Dakota and Oji-Cree peoples, and Traditional homeland of the Métis nation. We acknowledge the wrongs of the past and stand committed to building positive relationships rooted in a spirit of genuine reconciliation.

1.2 ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Revise: Remove item 2.2, Executive and Executive Director Evaluations
Item 2.2, Joint Executive/Staff Compensation Committee, will be in-camera

Wadelius/Klassen

THAT the agenda be adopted as amended.

Carried

1.3 ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

Kublick/Fisher

THAT the minutes of the Provincial Executive meeting February 8, 2021 be approved as circulated.

Carried

2.0 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Code of Conduct Policy Revision

Sandy Lethbridge, Chair of the ad hoc committee provided a brief update on the final policies and responded to questions. Alan thanked the committee for their work on this.

Lethbridge/Bambridge

THAT the Provincial Executive accept and approve the Code of Conduct and Conflict of Interest policies as presented.

Carried

2. Joint Executive/Staff Compensation Committee (in-camera)

Kublick/Klassen

THAT the Provincial Executive move in-camera at 10:44 a.m. to discuss items 2.2 and 5.4

Carried

Kublick/Nemeth

THAT the Provincial Executive move out of in-camera at 11:25 a.m.

Carried

3.0 DELEGATIONS

1. MUST Fund Guideline Change (timed item 9:30 a.m.)

Alan Campbell welcomed Rod Brownlee, Chair of the MUST Fund committee to the meeting. Rod provided an overview of the proposed changes to the guidelines and responded to questions.

Kublick/Wadellus

THAT the Provincial Executive approve the MUST Fund Guidelines, pending grammatical revisions and to include gender-neutral references throughout the guidelines.

Carried

4.0 FOR ACTION/DECISION

1. Committee Update

Wadellus/Kublick

THAT the Following committee appointment be approved.

Appointment:

- a) Manitoba Schools Insurance (MSI) Committee
 - *Kathleen McMillan, Pembina Trails S.D.*

Carried

2. Emergent Resolutions – Swan Valley SD

The Executive reviewed and considered the emergent resolutions submitted by Swan Valley SD. Following careful consideration, the Executive deemed the motions did not meet the criteria, and deemed them non-emergent. Administration will follow up in writing with Swan Valley.

Bambridge/Wadellus

THAT the Provincial Executive determined the resolutions submitted by Swan Valley SD do not meet the criteria as outlined in By-Law #5 11(b), and deemed the resolutions non-emergent.

Carried

5.0 FOR DISCUSSION

1. City of Winnipeg School Board Liaison Officer Relationship

Julie Fisher shared her concerns with respect to the City of Winnipeg School Board Liaison Officer relationship. While this liaison officer position was an initiative of Mayor Bowman, there is no formal mandate to guide this group. Following feedback from the Executive, Julie concluded that a meeting would be held (post convention) with Region 5/6, Vice-President (<6,000) and Brian Mayes to define the purpose of the liaison officer meetings. At a future executive meeting, Julie shall provide an update on this matter.

2. NDP – State of Education Town Hall Panel Invitation

The River Heights NDP Office extended an invitation for MSBA to participate in a town hall panel session on Mar. 11. While the association endeavors to remain non-partisan, it was agreed that Alan participate in this town hall, identifying our non-partisan role and that we work hard to engage with all parties equally, and to bring the school boards perspectives to this session. Administration will follow up on the invitation, following this meeting.

3. MSBA COVID-19 Financial Summary

Robyn Winters, Chief Financial Officer provided an overview of the financial summary covering the last three quarters as they relate to pre-Covid and Covid expenditures and savings.

4. Local Voices, Local Choices Campaign (in-camera)

5. Regional Meetings Agenda

Alan sited that in view of the unknowns around Bill 64 and the recommendations coming out of the K-12 Education Review, it is challenging to develop any primer documents for boards to discuss at the upcoming regional meetings. Should we know the details and impacts of these pieces in advance of regional meetings, we shall frame up that conversation then.

6. 2021 Convention logistics

Janis Arnold, Interim Director, Education Communication Services provided an update on the planning and processes related to convention and responded to questions.

6.0 INFORMATION REPORTS (Printed)

1. Executive/Staff Activity Reports

- Josh Watt, Executive Director
- Sandy Nemeth, Vice-President (<6,000)
- Lena Kublick, Director Region 3

2. Correspondence (PRINTED)

- mRLC Minutes of Dec. 15, 2020
- MSBA response to Park West S.D. correspondence of Jan. 22, 2021
- MSBA response to Swan Valley S.D. correspondence of Jan. 11, 2021

3. Correspondence (EMAILED)

- MSBA Financials as at Jan. 31, 2021, sent Feb. 19, 2021

7.0 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

March 18, 2021, 7:00 p.m., via Zoom Video-Conference

Alan thanked everyone for their participation and Leah Klassen moved to adjourn the meeting at 11:29 a.m.