

Minutes

Provincial Executive Meeting

Monday, October 18, 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
	Murray Skeavington	Director Region #4
	Sandra Lethbridge	Director Region #5
	Julie Fisher	Director Region #5
	Yijie Jennifer Chen	Director Region #6 (joined at 9:30 a.m.)
	Josh Watt	Executive Director
	Janis Arnold	Interim Director, Education and Communication Services
	Robyn Winters	Chief Financial Officer
	Darren Thomas	Risk Manager
	Andrea Kehler	Executive Assistant
<u>REGRETS:</u>	Morgan Whiteway	Acting Director, Labour Relations and Human Resource Services

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

Amendment: Remove item 4.3 – Bill 232 The Emancipation Act

Klassen/Kublick

THAT the agenda be adopted as amended.

Carried

1.3 ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

Skeavington/Martens

THAT the minutes of the Provincial Executive meeting held September 13, 2021 be approved as circulated.

Carried

2.0 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

3.0 DELEGATIONS

4.0 FOR ACTION/DECISION

1. Committee Update

Kublick/Skeavington

THAT the Provincial Executive approve the following committee appointment.

Appointments:

- a) Convention Planning Committee
 - *Marg Walker, Fort La Bosse S.D.*

Carried

2. Student Citizenship Awards

Lena Kublick Chair of the Convention Planning committee presented a review of the Student Citizenship Awards. Owing to the condensed one-day annual general meeting and other factors, the committee is proposing that the awards be suspended for this coming year. The one-year hiatus will provide an opportunity to reflect and consider various aspects of the awards into the future.

Kublick/Lethbridge

THAT the Provincial Executive suspend the Student Citizenship Awards for the 2022 annual convention. During the one-year hiatus, a review of the awards into the future will be undertaken.

Carried

3. CSBA Proposal

The Canadian School Boards Association recently issued a Request for Quotes for a research study on the Impact Related to Loss of Local Democratic Voice. CSBA's board has selected Dr. Katina Pollock to do a comparative study focusing on school board governance, exploring the impacts of local community voice in Canadian jurisdictions that have/had democratically elected school boards, compared with those that are centrally governed.

CSBA has committed \$20,000 to the research study and is asking each member association to contribute to the research initiative, pro-rated to each member's share.

Martens/Skeavington

THAT the Provincial Executive offer financial support of \$5,187.00 to CSBA's research study on the Impact Related to Loss of Local Democratic Voice, to be drawn from internally restricted net assets.

Carried

5.0 FOR DISCUSSION

1. Fall General Meeting agenda

The proposed Fall General Meeting agenda was shared and Executive offered no changes to the agenda. The agenda package will be distributed to member boards by the end of October early November.

2. Regional Meeting agendas - Finalize topic(s) for discussion

Executive considered topics for discussion at each of the regional meeting sessions. Revised agenda packages will be finalised and distributed to regions by the end of October or early November.

3. Bill 64 Advocacy update

A synopsis of the Bill 64 advocacy expenses accessed and utilized by divisions, in support of their advocacy efforts in the fight against Bill 64, was shared.

4. CSBA Meeting update

Alan Campbell and Josh Watt provided the Executive an update on the Canadian School Boards Association's recent AGM, held in Victoria, BC on Oct. 4.

5. Fall/School re-opening

Executive shared their experiences and perspectives on the first six weeks of the school year operating in pandemic response level yellow, with communities in pandemic response level orange.

6. Annual General Meeting – March

The Executive discussed some ideas and possible options for format of the 2022 AGM in March. The Convention Planning Committee will meet in the coming weeks to review some of the suggestions and draft a report for Executive's consideration. The Executive will meet on November 8, 2021 to receive the committee's report and recommendations.

7. MSBA Personnel Matter (in-camera)

Klassen/Lethbridge

THAT the Provincial Executive move in-camera at 10:45 a.m.

Carried

Bambridge/Lethbridge

THAT the Provincial Executive move out of in-camera at 11:14 a.m.

Carried

6.0 INFORMATION REPORTS (Printed)

1. Executive/Staff Activity Reports
-Josh Watt, Executive Director
2. Correspondence (PRINTED)
3. Correspondence (EMAILED)

7.0 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

November 22, 2021, 9:00 a.m., via Zoom
December 13, 2021, 9:00 a.m., via Zoom
January 10, 2022, 9:00 a.m., Location TBD

Alan thanked everyone for their participation and Leah Klassen moved to adjourn the meeting at 11:15 a.m.

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