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Campaign A - Delta Winnipeg
1:00 P.M.

<u>PRESENT:</u>	Hugh Coburn	President
	Robert Rivard	Vice-President
	Jacque Field	Vice-President
	Yolande Dupuis	Past President
	Floyd Martens	Director Region #1
	Hugh Greaves	Director Region #2
	Cheryl Zelenitsky	Director Region #3
	Marion Pearson	Director Region #4
	Tom Parker	Director Region #5
	Bruce Alexander	Director Region #5
	Cindy Gilroy-Price	Director Region #6
	Carolyn Duhamel	Executive Director
	Heather Demetriooff	Associate Director
	George Coupland	Director, Labour Relations
	Barb Unrau	Executive Assistant

1.1 ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Parker/Gilroy-Price:

THAT the agenda be adopted as amended.

Carried

1.2 ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

Field/Alexander:

THAT the minutes of the Provincial Executive meeting held February 8, 2010, be approved as circulated.

Carried

4.0 FOR ACTION/DECISION

1. Copy of letters to the Minister, re Portioning Rates
 - (a) February 12, 2010, Pembina Trails S.D.
 - (b) February 24, 2010, Brandon S.D.

- residential re-assessment has created significant increased taxation costs for some home owners
- impacts urban/rural differently
- is an immediate concern for urban boards – representatives of the region should meet with the City before the tax bills go out to the public
- this issue should be referred to the MSBA Ad Hoc Committee on Education Finance for discussion
- need to work with MASBO to develop communication tools for boards to address community concerns when the tax bills go out
- flag this issue as a priority for discussion with government in the coming year

3. MCLE, Coordinating Training of Principals

- there are currently no requirements beyond a teaching certificate to be a school principal in this province
- believe the intent of this program is good, but we need more information
- need to know where the Council of School Leaders (COSL) stand on this issue before committing to participating in a committee to develop a common framework for training of school principals

4. Late resolutions:

The Executive Director noted that the responsibility of the Executive is to determine if the proposed late resolutions are emergent in nature. If they are, the Executive can adopt them and they will go forward to convention as Executive resolutions. If not, the sponsoring school board will require the permission of the assembly (2/3 majority) to debate the resolution on convention floor.

(a) Pine Creek S.D., re Funding support for Secondary Courses to Hutterian Students

- The Executive did not consider this resolution to be emergent in nature.

(b) Brandon S.D., re Rotating Convention Site - Brandon

- The Executive did not consider this resolution to be emergent in nature.

(c) Garden Valley S.D., re Representation on the MSBA Executive

The Executive Director noted that this resolution would require a By-Law amendment. By-Law amendments must be distributed to boards 30 days prior to convention.

Garden Valley S.D. has been advised that this cannot be considered at this year's convention given that it would require a By-Law amendment.

5. February 17, 2010, request from MAPC, re Parent Council Recognition Award 2010.

Vice-President Jacquie Field volunteered to represent the Association on the Judging Panel for the MAPC Parent Council Recognition Award.

5.0 FOR DISCUSSION

1. Year-to-date Financial Results January 31, 2010.

- received as information

2. February 11, 2010, Garden Valley S.D., re Regional Meetings.

The Executive reviewed the concerns raised by Garden Valley S.D. related to the usefulness of regional meetings.

- the concerns expressed will be discussed at the Executive Retreat in the context of the member satisfaction survey
- the Executive Director will respond in writing to the concerns raised

3. Notes of the Aboriginal Education Committee Meeting, February 16, 2010.

The Executive Director shared with Executive members, the Committee's proposed next steps:

- survey to member school boards about successes, challenges, needs
- site visit with Provincial Executive to the Treaty Relations Commission Learning Centre
- request an in-person meeting with Grand Chief Evans.

4. Movers/Seconders of 2010 Executive Resolutions.

- confirmed

8.0 EXECUTIVE/STAFF REPORTS & MATTERS ARISING

1. President

The President gave a verbal report of his activities over the past month.

2. Vice-President(s)

- (a) Vice-President Robert Rivard noted his attendance at the Manitoba Chambers of Commerce Breakfast with the Minister on March 9, 2010
- (b) Vice-President Jacquie Field commented on her written report, particularly the Arts and Education Steering Committee
 - would like MSBA to consider the issue of ethical leadership as part of its new trustee orientation in the fall

3. Past President

Past President Yolande Dupuis reported that she had participated in the selection of the 2010 Presidents' Council Award recipient.

4. Directors

Region 6 Director Cindy Gilroy-Price confirmed that due to time commitments she will be unable to continue to represent Region 6 on the MSBA Executive. Trustee Rita Hildahl will take her place and is very excited about joining the MSBA team. Cindy thanked the Executive for its support and for the experience. She will continue to serve on the MSBA Aboriginal Education Committee.

Region 6 Director Cindy Gilroy-Price excused herself from the meeting at 2:30 p.m.

Region 4 Director Marion Pearson indicated that she has now completed 3 years on the Executive and is therefore not eligible for re-election as a Region 4 Director. She was confident that the north would be well represented by whoever is elected to this position for the coming year.

Region 5

- (a) Director Tom Parker indicated that it had been a quiet month and wished everyone a good convention
- (b) In addition to his written report Director Bruce Alexander expanded on his attendance at the RAPSA (Reaching At Promise Students Association) conference.

Region 3 Director Cheryl Zelenitsky noted that she enjoyed participating in the selection of the Student Citizenship Award recipients and found her first year on the Executive extremely enjoyable and rewarding

Region 2 Director Hugh Greaves extended his regrets for the Executive meeting in conjunction with the Annual Planning Retreat on Sunday, April 18th.

- Administration will explore the possible restructuring of the annual retreat

Region 1 Director Floyd Martens commented on his first meeting of the Working Group on School Closure Guideline.

5. Executive Director

In addition to her written report the Executive Director commented on

- PACM Recreation and Active Transportation Conference;
- surplus funds in the Pension administration account (committee member Floyd Martens provided background information in this regard); and
- CSBA Board of Directors meeting

6. Associate Director

The Associate Director reviewed with Directors their involvement in the Celebration of Success program.

7. Director of Labour Relations

The Executive received correspondence from St. James-Assiniboia School Division regarding Provincial Collective Bargaining. Labour Relations Director George Coupland circulated background information on provincial bargaining and the process undertaken by the Labour Relations Department to inform member school boards in this regard.

Field/Zelenitsky:

THAT the President respond to St. James-Assiniboia School Division correspondence and provide a copy of the information shared with Executive members regarding provincial bargaining. Any further questions on this matter to be referred to the Director of Labour Relations.

Carried

8.1 INFORMATION REPORTS

- (a) Correspondence
- (b) Committee Minutes

Sent via e-mail February 12, 2010

1. Ad Hoc Committee of TECC (Teacher Education and Certification Committee), January 28, 2010
2. English as an Additional Language Advisory Committee, November 27, 2009.

Sent via e-mail March 12, 2010

1. Inter-Organizational Curriculum Advisory Committee (ICAC), December 1, 2009 and March 2, 2010.
2. Technical Vocational Education Advisory committee (TVEAC), February 2, 2010.
3. Campaign 2000 Continues Steering Committee, Social Planning Council, December 13, 2009 and January 8, 2010.

(c) Publications

1. *Youth in Transition Survey*, School Programs Division.
2. Manitoba Human Rights Commission, *MHR Connections*, January and February. 2010.
3. ASCD, *Education Update*, February, 2010.
4. NSBA DVD - *Innovate: All Systems Go*.
5. *Education Manitoba*, February 2010.
6. Manitoba Child Care Association, *Child Care Bridges*, Spring 2010.

9.0 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

SATURDAY, MARCH 20th, approximately 2:00 P.M. - Westminster Room, Delta
Winnipeg

SUNDAY, APRIL 16th, Misty Lake Lodge (Executive Retreat)

President Hugh Coburn thanked outgoing Executive members – Region #4 Director Marion Pearson, Region #5 Director Bruce Alexander and Region #6 Director Cindy Gilroy-Price for their outstanding contribution to the work of the Executive over the past several years.

At this point, the President invited Executive members to share any comments they had related to their term on the MSBA Executive.

The meeting adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

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