
Saskatchewan School Boards Association

Executive Meeting Minutes

January 22 & 23, 2015

Regina, Saskatchewan

Executive Members: Present – Ms. Bailey, Ms. Boucher, Mr. Caisse, Ms. Kotylak, Mr. Niezgoda, Mr. Pavloff, Ms. Perreault, Ms. Pethick, Mr. Waugh

Association Staff: Mr. McKee, Mr. Amendt, Mr. Couture, , Ms. Lerat, Ms. Mann, Mr. McNaughton, Ms. Thomas.

1. Call To Order

President Bailey called the meeting to order Thursday, January 22, at 9:00 a.m.

2. Procedural Items

2.1 Agenda

15.01.01 PAVLOFF : That the agenda be approved.

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2.2 Minutes

15.01.02 PERREAULT: That the minutes of the December 3-5, 2014 be approved.

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2.3 In Camera Session

15.01.03 BOUCHER: That the Executive move into closed session.

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15.01.04 BOUCHER: That the Executive move into open session

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3. Decision Items

3.1 Ministry of Education Gender and Sexual Diversity Document

The Executive reviewed and discussed the Briefing Note with respect to the Ministry of Education Gender and Sexual Diversity document. In December 2014, The Executive approved support for the Ministry of Education Gender and Sexual Diversity Document via email.

4. Strategic Plan Progress

No report at this meeting.

5. Executive Member Reporting Responsibilities

5.1 President's/Designate Report

President Bailey provided the Executive with a brief update with respect to the following: Meeting with Clint Repski regarding alternative service delivery in early December; Meeting with Dan Florizone regarding the Hoshin on funding formula; Meeting with the Public Policy Secretariat to talk about bargaining; Joint Committee on Student Teacher Time; Conciliation with STF; Conference call with Greg Miller, Clint Repski, Darren and Triscia Wischenny regarding the Joint Committee on Student Teacher Time; Attended SCC Political forum; good connection with the Chamber of Commerce; meeting with JCSTT.

5.2 Executive Director's Report

5.2.1 Executive Director's Report

Darren McKee provided the Executive with a brief update with respect to the following: Meetings with ASBA and MSBA regarding work that the SSBA is doing. Presentation at MSBA regarding aboriginal education leadership institute. An update on the Communications Director position, applications, interviews the hiring process. Planning for Members Council and Spring Assembly. Working on the 2016 budget. Currently preparing for the budget announcement.

5.2.1 Board Development Services and Strategic HR

(a) Governor Training Module 1 Survey Results

The Executive reviewed the Governor Training Module 1 Survey Results. The SSBA is working with Advanced Education and Johnson Shoyama regarding the fall session. There is interest from Alberta School Boards Association and Manitoba School Boards Association, Saskatoon Tribal Council and Meadow Lake Tribal Council in Governor training. Discussions of exploring other options for training. A survey will be sent to boards to determine interest for the fall program.

(b) Joint Conference Survey Results

The Executive reviewed the Joint Conference Survey Results. The STF and the First nation's education system have expressed interest in being part of the next joint conference. The joint conference committee reviewed the evaluation results and boards are interested in having another joint conference. The committee discussed having it every four years, the year following elections. We will bring this back to our next Joint Conference meeting for further discussion and a final decision will be made at the executive table.

(c) Changes to Breakfast for Learning

The Executive reviewed the Briefing Note regarding Changes to Breakfast for Learning. Breakfast For Learnings's structure has changed and they are now linked with National sponsors. The change will be seamless and there should be no impact on local work. Nutrition programs supports kids to be at their best for learning.

(d) 2014 – 2015 School Year Stewardship Report

The Executive reviewed the 2014-2015 School Year Stewardship Report. This is a report of the \$25,000 donation to Breakfast For Learning.

(e) Education Sector Ethical Data Practices Protocols

The Executive reviewed the Briefing Note regarding the Education Sector Ethical Data Practices Protocol. This task arises out of the First Nations and Métis Hoshin of the Education Sector Strategic Plan. Major outstanding issues remain relating to authority and awaiting Ministry response on those. SSBA Executive provided general agreement with the work of the committee and draft document. A decision item will come to the Executive table when the outstanding issues have been clarified.

5.2.2 Communications Services

(a) Progress Update on Communication and Advocacy Strategic Plan 2015

The Executive reviewed the Briefing Note regarding the Progress Update on Communication and Advocacy Strategic Plan 2015. Efforts to "promote the work of school boards by celebrating

100 years of supporting student success during the SSBA centennial year”with a blog post for the provincial Student First blog on the importance of the Year of the Trustee. A report card survey based on the position statement has been drafted.- The Communications Department will send a rubric and model out to boards preceding the budget. A draft will be ready for Members’ Council.

5.2.3 Legal Services, Insurance and Risk Management Program

No report at this meeting.

5.2.4 Employee Benefits Plan

(a) EBP Marketing 2015

The Executive reviewed the Briefing Note regarding the EBP Marketing 2015. Mercer sent out a marketing document in January to a wide range of Employee benefit providers. Jeff McNaughton will look into whether SSBA executive members are eligible to be members of the Benefits plan.

(b) SSBA Office Renovation

The Executive reviewed the Briefing Note regarding the SSBA Office Renovations. SSBA staff have toured four organizations to review recent office redesigns and to interview project leaders on the process that was used to complete the work. They have also contacted three consulting firms to begin to discuss the scope of our project. An estimate of damages has been received from one company. The insurance company has requested a second quote. A business case will be prepared to explore the option on renovating the third floor and renting it out.

5.2.5 First Nations and Métis Education

No report at this meeting.

5.2.6 Director of Corporate Services

No report at this meeting.

5.3 Executive Members’ Reports

5.3.1 Round Table Reports

Each Executive Member provided a brief update to the Executive regarding the committees with which they have been involved and other meetings.

5.3.2 Resolutions and Policy Development Committee

No report at this meeting.

5.3.3 Board Development Committee Report

No report at this meeting.

6. Other

6.1 Executive Members' Request for Information

6.2 Agenda Items – Future Executive Meetings

Executive members who have agenda items for future meeting should email them to Connie Bailey or Darren McKee.

6.3 Delegation – PARCS

The Executive met with PARCS on Thursday January 22, 2015. Discussions took place regarding PARCS 2014 Position Statement “Making school taxes more fair and more compassionate”. The Executive agree that taxation should be fair and compassionate. The Executive was unable to endorse the recommendations in the paper but will continue advocating for education funding that adheres to the principles identified by our membership, which include equity, sustainability and transparency.

7. Information Items

7.1 Reports

7.1.1 2015 Association Event Calendar

7.1.2 Darren's To Do List

7.1.3 Committee Listing

The Executive reviewed the reports provided in their materials.

7.2 Correspondence

No Correspondence provided.

7.3.1 Conferences

The Executive reviewed the upcoming conference.

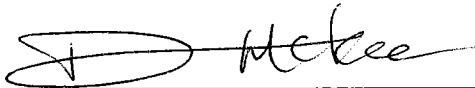
8. Meeting Evaluation: The Executive members completed an evaluation form at the conclusion of the meeting.

Adjournment

President Bailey thanked everyone in attendance at the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 12:45 p.m. on January 23, 2015.

15.01.05 BOUCHER: That the meeting be adjourned.

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Executive Director



President