

INTERLAKE SCHOOL DIVISION

MINUTES OF THE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE INTERLAKE SCHOOL DIVISION ON MONDAY, JANUARY 15, 2018, IN THE BOARDROOM, 192-2ND AVENUE NORTH, (PTH#67), STONEWALL, MANITOBA.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

FRAN FREDERICKSON (ACTING CHAIRPERSON), JOHN HUEGING, DAVID HARCUS, ALAN CAMPBELL

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:

CINDY BRAD

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT:

JARET THIESSEN, TRANSPORTATION SUPERVISOR
TYLER MORAN, ACTING ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT
AL LEIMAN, SECRETARY-TREASURER

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 5:30 P.M.

AGENDA ITEMS

1 STAFFING UPDATE

THE TRANSPORTATION SUPERVISOR INDICATED TO THE COMMITTEE THAT THERE ARE CURRENTLY TWENTY-TWO ACTIVE SPARE BUS DRIVERS.

THE COMMITTEE WAS INFORMED THAT ROUTE # 54 HAS A NEW BUS DRIVER DUE TO A RETIREMENT IN DECEMBER 2017.

THE COMMITTEE HAD A BRIEF DISCUSSION REGARDING SCHOOL BUS DRIVERS WHO LIVE WITHIN 5 KILOMETERS OF THEIR CURRENT BUS ROUTE.

2. SCHOOL BUS FLEET UPDATE

THE COMMITTEE WAS PROVIDED WITH A REPORT INDICATING THAT THE DIVISION CURRENTLY HAS 52 SCHOOLS BUSES. OF THESE 52 BUSES, 38 ARE USED FOR REGULAR ROUTES AND 14 SPARES. THE COMMITTEE WAS ALSO INFORMED THAT ONE OLD BUS IS BEING USED FOR PARTS. THE REPORT ALSO PROVIDED INFORMATION ON THE AVERAGE KILOMETERS FOR THE ENTIRE FLEET, SPARE BUSES AND REGULAR ROUTES.

THE COMMITTEE WAS INFORMED THAT A REQUEST WILL BE MADE FOR THREE NEW BUSES FOR THE 2018-2019 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET.

3. GPS FOR BUSES

THE COMMITTEE WAS PROVIDED WITH INFORMATION REGARDING A PROPOSAL THAT WILL BE FORWARDED TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR A BUDGET REQUEST TO HAVE A GPS SYSTEM IN ALL SCHOOL BUSES IN THE INTERLAKE SCHOOL DIVISION.

THE SOFTWARE IS EXPECTED TO ALLOW THE DIVISION'S TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT TO INTEGRATE STUDENT INFORMATION AND BUS ROUTE INFORMATION DATABASES, AND OPTIMIZE THE EFFICIENCY OF NEW AND EXISTING BUS ROUTES USING MAPPING TECHNOLOGY.

THE COMMITTEE HAD SOME DISCUSSIONS REGARDING THE COST SAVINGS THAT COULD BE HAD ALONG WITH THE SAFETY ISSUES THAT CAN BE ADDRESSED BY HAVING A GPS SYSTEM.

IT WAS INDICATED THAT THIS REQUEST BE FORWARDED TO THE COMMITTEE AS A WHOLE TO DISCUSS THIS FURTHER DURING THE UPCOMING 2018-2019 BUDGET.

4. ROUTE UPDATE

THE COMMITTEE WAS INFORMED THAT ALL ROUTES ARE FUNCTIONING VERY WELL IN THE CURRENT 2017-2018 SCHOOL YEAR. THE COMMITTEE WAS ALSO INFORMED THAT THE FIRST BUS STUDENT HAS REQUESTED PICKUP IN THE NEW STONEWALL DEVELOPMENT WHICH IS 1.6 KILOMETERS FROM ALL SCHOOLS IN STONEWALL.

5. FRENCH IMMERSION BUSSING UPDATE

THE COMMITTEE WAS PROVIDED WITH A REPORT REGARDING THE NUMBER OF STUDENTS USING BUSSING SERVICES TO ATTEND THE FRENCH IMMERSION PROGRAM IN THE STONEWALL CATCHMENT AREA.

6. PROFESSIONAL TRAINING (PD)

THE COMMITTEE WAS INFORMED OF BUS DRIVER TRAINING THAT TOOK PLACE IN THE FALL OF 2017. THE TWO TRAINING SESSIONS WERE MANDATORY ACCESSIBILITY PD THAT WAS PROVIDED TO ALL SCHOOL BUS DRIVERS AND THE SECOND TRAINING WAS A REVIEW OF THE BUS DRIVERS' HANDBOOK.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:30 P.M.

COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON

SECRETARY-TREASURER