

INTERLAKE SCHOOL DIVISION

MINUTES OF THE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF THE INTERLAKE SCHOOL DIVISION HELD ON TUESDAY, MAY 26TH, 2015 AT THE TRANSPORTATION MAINTENANCE TECHNOLOGY (TMT) FACILITY, STONEWALL, MANITOBA.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

SHARON BAKER (CHAIRPERSON), SALLY COOK, FRAN FREDERICKSON, DAVE HARCUS

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT:

DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS, CAMERON DAHL

THE MEETING COMMENCED AT 6:35 P.M.

AGENDA ITEMS:

OLD BUSINESS

1. THE COMMITTEE WAS INFORMED THAT THE MANDATORY BUS EVACUATION DRILLS, COMPLETED TWICE ANNUALLY, WERE RECENTLY COMPLETED WITH POSITIVE RESULTS.
2. THE COMMITTEE WAS INFORMED OF THE EVENTS SURROUNDING THE RECENT HYDRO POLE FIRE. ALL THREE STONEWALL SCHOOLS EXPERIENCED POWER OUTAGES RESULTING IN THE EVACUATION OF STUDENTS AND STAFF. THE INCIDENT WENT WELL AND WAS WELL ORGANIZED AND EXECUTED.
3. DRIVER EVALUATIONS RECENTLY TOOK PLACE WITH RESULTS PENDING.
4. THE COMMITTEE WAS INFORMED THAT THERE IS CURRENTLY A CLASS OF 6 NEW DRIVERS TAKING TRAINING AT THE TMT FACILITY. THIS IS IN ADDITION TO THREE OTHERS WHO RECENTLY COMPLETED TRAINING AND ARE NOW EITHER DRIVING OR AWAITING THEIR ROAD TEST.
5. CAMERA SYSTEMS ARE CURRENTLY BEING INSTALLED ON ALL BUSES. THEY CONSIST OF 3 CABIN MOUNTED CAMERAS AND MICROPHONES, AS WELL AS ONE FORWARD MOUNT CAMERA WITH VIEW OF ROADWAY AHEAD. IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT ALL BUSES IN THE FLEET WILL SEE CAMERAS INSTALLED IN THE COMING MONTHS.
6. THE COMMITTEE WAS INFORMED THAT MPIC COMPLETED THEIR AUDIT OF THE TRANSPORTATIONS SAFETY INSPECTION PROCESS AND DOCUMENTATION. THERE WERE NO ISSUES FOUND.
7. IT APPEARS THAT THE TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT WILL ONCE AGAIN BE OVER BUDGET WITH RESPECT TO DIESEL FUEL AND BUS REPAIR PARTS.

NEW BUSINESS

1. AN ADDITIONAL 4 HOUR A DAY POSITION HAS BEEN ADVERTISED TO ADD SUPPORT TO THE OPERATIONS DEPARTMENT. THIS POSITION WOULD, AMONG OTHER DUTIES, BE RESPONSIBLE FOR RELAYING TELEPHONE AND RADIO MESSAGES DURING THE AFTERNOON BUS RUN, THUS FREEING UP MECHANIC STAFF FOR OTHER DUTIES.
2. THE COMMITTEE LEARNED THAT THE TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT WILL BE WORKING TOWARDS CREATING MORE CONSISTENCY WITH REGARD TO DRIVERS AND ENFORCING POLICY ON THE BUSES.
3. TRAINING TOPICS FOR DRIVERS WAS DISCUSSED AND NEW TRAINING TOPICS WILL BE INVESTIGATED.
4. THE COMMITTEE DISCUSSED TOPICS FROM THE TRANSPORTATION/BUS DRIVERS ASSOCIATION LIAISON MEETING.
5. NEW DRIVER RECRUITMENT WAS DISCUSSED WITH SEVERAL IDEAS BROUGHT FORTH DESIGNED TO INCREASE BUS DRIVER APPLICATIONS.

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 7:20PM

COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON

SECRETARY-TREASURER