

# Telecommunications Employees Association of Manitoba, Inc. TEAM-IFPTE LOCAL 161

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# TEAM BOARD MEETING MINUTES Sunday January 17, 2010

Studio 4, Hecla Oasis Resort

**Attendees** 

President – Misty Hughes-Newman

1<sup>st</sup> Vice President — Qwin De Brant
2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President — Ed Maxwell
Secretary — Darlene Buan
Board Member — Randy Magnusson
Board Member — Donna Loszchuk
Board Member — Stephen Gillies
Business Manager — Bob Linsdell

Regrets:

Treasurer – Jamie Barbour Board Member – Victor Otto Board Member – Roland Pokorny

1. Call to Order: 11:00 am

2. Chairman's Remarks: Misty Hughes-Newman welcomed the Board members to the meeting.

President Misty Hughes-Newman appointed Board Member Darlene Buan to the position of TEAM Secretary.

3. Quorum: Confirmed.

4. Presentation of Agenda:

Motion: To approve the Agenda

Moved: Qwin De Brant Second: Donna Loszchuk

Motion carried

5. Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

Motion: To approve at next meeting

Moved: Qwin De Brant Second: Ed Maxwell

Amendment: To include amended October and December minutes

Moved: Qwin De Brant Second: Randy Magnusson

### 6. Business arising from the Minutes: None

#### 7. Reports Received – Action Requested:

#### President's Report (Misty)

# Mel Myers Conference

Motion: To approve two Board Members and two TEAM CARS first, then to

the membership in general, to attend Mel Myers 2010 Conference.

Moved: Qwin De Brant Second: Donna Loszchuk

Motion carried

Motion: To send Stephen Gillies and Randy Magnusson to Mel Myers

Moved: Qwin De Brant Second: Donna Loszchuk

Amendment: Any interested Board Member put forward their name to the Executive

Director, and send notification to the CARs one week from January 18,

2010, but no later than January 25, 2010.

Moved: Qwin De Brant Second: Ed Maxwell

Motion carried

#### MFL Health and Safety Conference

Motion: That TEAM canvasses the membership for two TEAM members to

attend MFL 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Health Safety committees in the work place.

Moved: Donna Loszchuk Second: Stephen Gillies

Motion carried

#### **Employment Contract for the Executive Director**

Motion: That the proposed compensation package for Bob Linsdell is approved

and his contract renewed until February 1, 1013.

Moved: Donna Loszchuk Second: Randy Magnusson

Motion: Table the motion until we have seen and had an opportunity to review the

contract.

Moved: Ed Maxwell Second: Qwin De Brant

Motion carried

#### **Governance Committee** (Misty)

# **TEAM Constitution**

Motion: To approve the constitution as amended (see below)

Moved: Donna Loszchuk Second: Ed Maxwell

#### Amendments to Proposed Constitution

Motion: Amend Article 5.2 to retain the second VP as a TEAM Executive position.

Moved: Ed Maxwell Second: Qwin De Brant

Motion defeated

Motion: Amend Article 10.5 to read 20 members in good standing.

Moved: ED Maxwell Second: Donna Loszchuk

Motion carried

Motion: Amend Article 6.5 to read simple majority.

Moved: Qwin De Brant Second: Donna Loszchuk

Motion carried

Motion: Amend Article 6.11 - will state the President or 2/3 majority of the Board

may call a special Board meeting on 24 hours notice specifically stating the purpose of the meeting. The meeting shall only deal with the purpose

for which it was called.

Moved: Qwin De Brant Second: Ed Maxwell

Motion carried

Lunch Break 12:39PM

Meeting reconvened 1:37PM

Motion: Article 6.13 General Meeting shall be held by November 15 of each

calendar year, except under exceptionally difficult circumstances and as

agree to by a 2/3 majority of the Board.

Moved: Qwin De Brant Second: Ed Maxwell

Motion carried

Motion: Article 6.3 - Any member in good standing of TEAM may attend any board

meeting as an observer.

Moved: Stephen Gillies Second: Randy Magnusson

Motion carried

# **TEAM Bylaws**

Motion: To carry on to Bylaws

Moved: Ed Maxwell Second: Qwin De Brant

Motion carried

Motion: Accept the Bylaws as amended (see below)

Moved: Ed Maxwell Second: Donna Loszchuk

#### Amendments to Proposed Bylaws

Motion: Amend Bylaw 1.2.3 to remove being convicted of any unlawful, dishonest,

dishonourable or discreditable act

Moved: Donna Loszchuk Second: Qwin De Brant

Motion carried

Motion: Amend Bylaw 1.4 - Any person who, under the provisions of this Bylaw

has lost his/her status as a member in good standing of TEAM may apply

after 6 month to the Board for reinstatement as a member in good standing. The Board may consider any evidence or information it deems

relevant.

Moved: Qwin De Brant Second: Ed Maxwell

Motion carried

Motion: Amend Bylaw 3.3 - Treasurer shall orally present the Financial Report at

the Annual General Membership Meetings.

Moved: Qwin De Brant Second: Donna Loszchuk

Motion carried

Motion: Amend Bylaw 3.5 -The President, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, Treasurer and any

other officer designated by the Board shall be the signing officers of TEAM in any financial transaction. All cheques require two authorized

signatures.

Moved: Ed Maxwell

Second: Randy Magnusson

Motion carried

Motion: Amend Bylaw 7.8 - Pension Committee Representative shall be elected

by the membership and be scheduled at the same time as the Board

elections.

Moved: Ed Maxwell Second: Qwin De Brant

Motion defeated

Motion: Pension Rep to attend regular Board meeting to provide an in person

report.

Moved: Ed Maxwell Second: Donna Loszchuk

Motion withdrawn

Motion: Amend Bylaw 9.1.4 - Report to the Board in person as requested by

the President or by the Board.

Moved: Qwin De Brant Second: Ed Maxwell

Motion: Amend Bylaw 8.2.7 to add the Vice President to serve as a signing officer

for all cheques issued by TEAM

Moved: Qwin De Brant Second: Donna Loszchuk

Motion carried

Motion: Add a Bylaw (7.6.1) a panel consisting of all Board Officers will conduct a

performance review annually by January 15 of each year.

Moved: Ed Maxwell Second: Donna Loszchuk

Motion carried

Break 3:10PM

Meeting reconvened 3:30PM

Motion: Amend Bylaw 7.6.2 - No less than 6 months prior to the expiry of the

Executive Director's contract a committee comprised of all Board Officers shall convene to review the new contract for presentation to the Board for

approval, the Board must approve by a 2/3 majority.

Moved: Ed Maxwell Second: Qwin De Brant

Motion withdrawn

Motion: Amend Bylaw 11.3.2 to read - Serve on a minimum of one committee

Moved: Ed Maxwell Second: Qwin De Brant

Motion carried

Motion: Amend Bylaw 13.2 - Where a vacancy occurs on the Board, the Board

can appoint any member in good standing of TEAM to serve the unexpired term of the vacant position provided they complete the nomination form with the signatures of 10 members in good standing.

Moved: Ed Maxwell Second: Qwin De Brant

Motion carried

Motion: Amend Bylaw 14.3 - The Committee shall submit the list of eligible

candidates to the Secretary by November 15<sup>th</sup> of each election year; after

November 15 will not be considered.

Moved: Ed Maxwell Second: Qwin De Brant

Motion carried

Motion: Amend Bylaw 16.3 - All Board Officers and Board Members shall have

one vote only, the President shall vote in the case of a tie.

Moved: Ed Maxwell Second: Donna Loszchuk

Motion withdrawn

Motion: Amend Bylaw 17.5 - The Negotiating Committee shall be chaired by the

President and be comprised of the President, Executive Director or his/her Designate and up to three (3) other additional members, approved by the

Board with input from the Executive Director or his/her Designate.

Moved: Qwin De Brant Second: Ed Maxwell

Motion carried

Motion: Amend Bylaw 18.2 - The Constitution and Bylaws of TEAM shall govern

all matters and for those points not covered herein, the most resent

version of Robert's Rule of Order shall be used for guidance.

Moved: Ed Maxwell Second: Qwin De Brant

Motion carried

Motion: Amend Bylaw to add Bylaw 18.5.1 - Any Petitions received from the

Membership will be immediately forwarded to the Board for review and

response.

Moved: Ed Maxwell Second: Qwin De Brant

Motion withdrawn

Motion: Amend Bylaw 18.5 - Any 20 members in good standing may, by written

petition addressed to Secretary of TEAM, require an amendment to the Bylaws, not previously approved by the Board, be placed before a General Meeting or Special General Meeting convened under Article 6 of

the Constitution, except in the circumstances specified in 18.6.

Moved: Ed Maxwell Second: Qwin De Brant

Motion carried

Motion: Amend Bylaw 7.6 - The Board shall hire the Executive Director under the

terms and conditions of an employment contract.

Moved: Stephen Gillies Second: Qwin De Brant

Motion carried

#### Constitution and Bylaws Ratification

Motion: Proceed to send the Proposed Constitution and Bylaws to the

membership for ratification.

Moved: Donna Loszchuk Second: Qwin De Brant

Motion carried

Meeting adjourned 4:52PM

#### **January 18, 2010 (Day 2)**

8. Call to Order: President Misty Hughes-Newman called the meeting to order 8:48AM

#### 9. Presentation of Agenda:

Motion: To accept amended Agenda

Moved: Stephen Gillies Second: Qwin De Brant

Motion carried

#### 10. Reports Received - Action Requested (Continued):

#### **Governance Committee (Misty)**

**Policies** 

Motion: Motion to adopt Policy #1 – Changing Policies and to renumber all other

Policies in the Board Policy Manual.

Moved: Qwin De Brant Second: Donna Loschuk

Motion carried

Motion: To adopt Policy #2 – Authority and to renumber all other Policies in the

Board Policy Manual.

Moved: Qwin De Brant Second: Stephen Gillies

Motion carried

Motion: Motion to adapt Policy #3 – TEAM Core Values and Code of Conduct and

to renumber all other Policies in the Board Manual.

Moved: Ed Maxwell Second: Qwin De Brant

Motion carried

#### President's Report (Continued)

#### **Employment Contract for the Executive Director**

Motion: To approve the employment contract for the Executive Director as

amended (see below)

Moved: Qwin De Brant Second: Ed Maxwell Motion carried/Unanimous

Motion: Amend to change all references to Executive Director from Business

Manager.

Moved: Qwin De Brant Second: Ed Maxwell

Motion carried

Motion: Amend to change all references to TEAM Board from TEAM Executive.

Moved: Qwin De Brant Second: Donna Loschuk

Motion: Amend Item 21 to remove the "the" before "him".

Moved: Qwin De Brant Second: Ed Maxwell

Motion carried

Motion: Amend Item 9.A to include 6% in front of VPP.

Moved: Qwin De Brant Second: Ed Maxwell Motion: Withdrawn

Motion: Amend Item 9.C to read as Paid time off during the annual closure

between Christmas Eve and New Year's Day in lieu of PLDs provided by

the TEAM Collective Agreement.

Moved: Qwin De Brant Second: Donna Loschuk

Motion carried

Motion: To change item 15 to read TEAM Board at its sole discretion for any

reason without cause may terminate this agreement early. In this event, TEAM shall pay the ED the equivalent of one month salary in lieu of notice plus other payments or entitlements to which the Executive Director is in

titled pursuant to this contract.

Moved: Qwin De Brant Second: Donna Loschuk

Motion defeated

Motion: Amend motion to subject to lawyer approval.

Moved: Qwin De Brant Second: Ed Maxwell

Motion carried

Motion: To Amend Item 11 to read occasional overtime will be compensated at

double time provided it is preauthorized by a committee comprised of the officers with signing authority as per Bylaw 3.5 (identifies the signing

authority) in the constitution.

Moved: Qwin De Brant Second: Donna Loszchuk

Motion defeated

Motion: Item 1 this contact shall be for an indefinite time commencing February 4,

2010, unless terminated earlier pursuant to the termination provisions in this Agreement. Thereafter, the Agreement will be reviewed from time to time on such terms and conditions as the parties may mutually agree to.

Moved: Misty Hughes-Newman

Second: Stephen Gillies

Motion carried

Adjourned 10:29AM

Meeting reconvened 10:47

#### Executive Director's Report (Bob)

#### Strategic Sales Planner

Motion: That the TEAM Board agree to the Company waiving the posting of the

Strategic Sales Planner position and select the second candidate from the

ES-M01-09 competition to fill the newly vacant position.

Moved: Qwin De Brant Second: Randy Magnusson

Motion carried

#### Grievance Committee (Bob/Tom Milroy, LRO)

#### Committee Terms of Reference

Motion: Amend Team Grievance Committee to read "The members may be

involved in Step 1 and will be involved in step 2".

Moved: Qwin De Brant Second: Donna Loschuk

Motion defeated

Motion: That the committee adheres to its Terms of Reference.

Moved: Randy Magnusson Second: Donna Loschuk Motion carried/Unanimous

Motion: Change Membership Item 1; One Board Member one member at large

and a staff will serve on the Grievance Committee.

Moved: Randy Magnusson Second: Darlene Buan

Motion carried

#### 11. Committees Reporting – No action requested:

- Pay and Benefits Committee (Bob)

#### 12. Committees - No Report Submitted:

- Communications Committee
- Finance Committee
- Pension Committee Representative

#### 13. New Business:

Ed Maxwell

Petition to the Board from members Review of the Executive Contract

# 14. Meeting Evaluation

# Ron Hayes

- **Putting a motion forward:** This is to put the motion on the table, however, do not worry if they don't go anywhere.
- Chair: Read the motions often, and making friendly amendments is best in nonconflict motions
- **Expectation**: That there is a Board orientation for new members.

#### 15. Scheduled Board Meetings:

Tuesday, January 19, 2010

Tuesday, March 2, 2010

Tuesday, April 13, 2010

Tuesday, May 25, 2010

Tuesday, June 22, 2010

Tuesday, August 10, 2010

Tuesday, September 14, 2010

Tuesday, October 26, 2010

Tuesday, December 7, 2010

# 16. Adjournment: Adjourned 11:53AM.

The next Board meeting will be January 19, 2010 - TEAM Office 200 – 1 Wesley Avenue.