

MINUTES OF THE

REGULAR MEETING OF THE LOUIS RIEL SCHOOL DIVISION BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Tuesday, September 20, 2022, 6:30 P.M.
50 Monterey Road, Winnipeg
Hybrid Meeting

BOARD MEMBERS: Louise Johnston, Chair
Sandy Nemeth, Vice-Chair
Josie Landry, Trustee
Robert Page, Trustee
Tom Parker, Trustee
Chris Sigurdson, Trustee, virtual
Cindy Turner, Trustee
Neil Vadeboncoeur, Trustee

REGRETS: Pamela Kolochuk, Trustee

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Christian Michalik, Superintendent & CEO
Jamie Rudnicki, Secretary-Treasurer & CFO
Lisa Aitken, Assistant Superintendent Staff Services
Jeff Anderson, Assistant Superintendent Instructional Services
Amarbeer Bhandari, Director of Facilities, Maintenance and Transportation, virtual
Ron Cadez, Divisional Principal, virtual
Darcy Cormack, Assistant Superintendent Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Services
Clarke Hagan, Director of Information Technology Systems
Michelle Jean-Paul, Divisional Principal, virtual
Deneen Madden, Executive Assistant
Lexi Muise, Executive Assistant, virtual
Marlene Murray, Assistant Superintendent Student Services
Julie Cote-Marinelli, Divisional Principal, virtual
Derrick Sheldon, Assistant Director of Staff Services, virtual

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Sept. 20 Regular Meeting of the Louis Riel School Division (LRSD) Board of Trustees was called to order by Louise Johnston, Chair, LRSD Board of Trustees at 6:30 p.m.

1.1 LRSD Land Acknowledgement

The Louis Riel School Division (LRSD) brings together a community of schools on the traditional land of the Anishinaabek, Ininewak, and Dakota. Our division is located on the homeland of the Red River Métis. We recognize that Manitoba is also the traditional land of the Anishininwak and Dene.

We respect the treaties made on this land and acknowledge the harms and mistakes of the past and present. We dedicate ourselves to authentic alliances with Indigenous communities in a spirit of reconciliation and cooperation.

The ongoing development of LRSD's land acknowledgement is guided by our Indigenous Council of Grandmothers and Grandfathers, and we thank them for their generosity and collaboration.

1.2 Welcome and Announcements

The Chair welcomed everyone participating in the hybrid meeting and advised that Board meetings are audio recorded for accuracy. Unless approved, photographs, personal recordings, audio, visual or otherwise, are not permitted.

Chris Sigurdson, Trustee joined the meeting at 6:32 p.m.

1.3 Affirmation of Vision and Mission

The Chair read the division's Vision and Mission statements.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES

2.1 Approval of Agenda for Regular Board Meeting – Sept. 20, 2022

2022-007

Moved by Trustee Page

Seconded by Trustee Landry

THAT the Sept. 20 agenda for the Regular Board Meeting be approved.

CARRIED

2.2 Approval of Minutes of Regular Board Meeting – Sept. 6, 2022

As there were no changes, the Sept. 6 minutes of the Regular Board Meeting were accepted as distributed.

3. LRSD NEWS

3.1 News from the Board of Trustees provided by Trustee Nemeth

LRSD's Indigenous Education Support Team is planning an annual Indigenous Film Festival for students. The goal is to encourage conversation among students and school communities.

Efforts are also underway to develop a new LRSD Student Advisory Board made up of high school students.

In the context of supporting meaningful dialogue and also capturing student voice, these are both important and timely initiatives.

3.2 News from Superintendent Michalik

Superintendent Michalik highlighted:

- Following the passing of Queen Elizabeth II on Sept. 8, 2022, all flags in the division were flown at half-mast for 10 days. Messages have been shared with staff about the conversations that we're nurturing with students about her passing.
- Sept. 15 marked the start of Peace Days proclaimed by Wayne Ewasko, Minister of Education.
- Sept. 15 also happened to be International Day of Democracy and we shared a message relative to the United Nations's day of recognition.
- On Sept. 20, Equity Matters held a workshop with the community, facilitated by Tanna Turner.
- Windsor School will bring community together on Sept. 29 to celebrate the school's 100th anniversary.
- National Truth and Reconciliation Day is Sept. 30 and we are working hard to prepare.
- School Board elections are coming up on Oct. 26 along with the municipal elections.
- Last week we had a few ministers join students at Collège Jeanne-Sauvé for an important announcement related to student advocacy around the increased accessibility to menstrual products in schools.

4. PRESENTATIONS TO THE BOARD

4.1 Summer Programming in LRSD

Assistant Superintendent Cormack introduced Melissa Brown and Allison Drummond who made a presentation regarding summer programming in LRSD.

5. BOARD EDUCATION

5.1 Canadian School Boards Association (CSBA) Congress 2022

Trustees Nemeth, Parker and Sigurdson provided highlights from the 2022 National Trustees Gathering on Indigenous Education and CSBA Congress which took place in July 2022.

6. FINANCE AND AUDIT

6.1 Intensive Newcomer Support (INS) Project Grant

Secretary-Treasurer Rudnicki shared the Sept. 9 letter from Wayne Ewasko, Minister of Education, confirming our division's allocation for the INS Project grant in the amount of \$121,000 for 2022/2023.

6.2 KPMG are now in our Board Office Working on the Annual Audit

Secretary-Treasurer Rudnicki shared that KPMG will be working on the annual audit until Sept. 23.

7. STAFFING

7.1 Staffing Update

Superintendent Michalik shared data that supports 4 (FTE) additional teachers and 20.67 (FTE) additional educational assistants for 2022/2023.

8. INFORMATION TO THE BOARD

8.1 New School Update - École Sage Creek & Bonavista

Superintendent Michalik, Assistant Superintendent Anderson and Assistant Superintendent Murray shared an update regarding the construction of the new school that will support students enrolled in the French Immersion program, who live in Sage Creek and Bonavista.

8.2 Collège Jeanne-Sauvé Renovation and Addition Update

Superintendent Michalik shared an update regarding the renovation and addition at Collège Jeanne-Sauvé and the startup for grade 9 students studying at Minnetonka School during these renovations.

8.3 J. H. Bruns Collegiate Renovation and Addition Update

Superintendent Michalik and Assistant Superintendent Murray shared an update regarding the renovation and addition at J. H. Bruns Collegiate. The architects will journey with the community to come to one option to be presented to government.

8.4 Marion School Renovation and Addition Update

Superintendent Michalik and Assistant Superintendent Cormack shared an update regarding the renovation and addition at Marion School. There will be an additional eight classrooms, two kindergarten rooms, a gymnasium, and childcare with a 74-seat capacity.

8.5 Windsor Park Collegiate Renovation Update

Superintendent Michalik and Assistant Superintendent Murray shared an update regarding the renovation at Windsor Park Collegiate.

Josie Landry, Trustee left the meeting at 7:31 p.m.

Josie Landry, Trustee joined the meeting at 7:34 p.m.

8.6 Collège Béliveau Renovation Update

Superintendent Michalik and Assistant Superintendent Anderson shared an update regarding the renovation at Collège Béliveau.

8.7 École Varennes Update

Superintendent Michalik and Assistant Superintendent Anderson shared an update regarding École Varennes and the need to build a new school to replace the existing school. Architects and engineers will co-design a new building while keeping students in the existing school during the process. Once a new school is ready, we will tear down the old school which will become the playground.

8.8 Ventilation Update

Amarbeer Bhandari, Director of Facilities, Maintenance and Transportation, shared an update regarding ventilation.

8.9 Accessibility Plan Updates

Assistant Superintendent Cormack provided an update regarding the division's Accessibility Plan.

8.10 International Student Program

Assistant Superintendent Cormack provided updates regarding the International Student Program.

8.11 International Student Travel Plan for 2022-2023

Assistant Superintendent Cormack provided an update regarding international student travel for 2022-2023.

8.12 Leadership Meeting - Sept. 14, 2022

Superintendent Michalik shared highlights from the Sept. 14 meeting with principals, vice-principals, clinical supervisors, and the Senior Leadership Team.

8.13 Working Committee for LRSD's 20th Birthday

Superintendent Michalik spoke to LRSD's 20th birthday being celebrated throughout this year and welcomed participation on a working committee.

8.14 Monthly Updates Regarding Communications Metrics

The Chair provided the June, July and August reports on communications metrics.

9. POLICY

9.1 Policy Update - First and Second Reading

2022-008

Moved by Trustee Nemeth

Seconded by Trustee Vadeboncoeur

THAT in accordance with Policy BG - School Board Policy Process, and with the unanimous consent of the Trustees in attendance, two readings may occur at this meeting; and,

THAT the policies reviewed by the Superintendent's Policy Review Committee listed below, receive first and second reading and be further reviewed in committee and brought back for third and final reading:

- Policy BC - Board Code of Conduct
- Policy BCB - Conflict of Interest

CARRIED

9.2 Notice of Motion - Oct. 4, 2022 - Revised Procedural By-laws and Declaration

Assistant Superintendent Anderson provided context to the following proposed Board motion to be brought forward at the Oct. 4 Regular Board Meeting:

THAT the following documents be amended to align with policy:

- Procedural By-laws of LRSD Board of Trustees
- Code of Conduct/Conflict of Interest and Performance Declaration

10. CORRESPONDENCE

10.1 School Board Correspondence – Received

The following correspondence was received by the Board:

Manitoba Education:

- (Page 1) Letter from Hon. Min. Ewasko RE: Intensive newcomer Support Project Grant (Sept. 9, 2022)
- (Page 3) Letter and proclamation from hon. Min. Ewasko RE: School Support Staff Recognition Week (Sept. 12, 2022)
- (Page 5) Letter from J. Faulder, Director, Education Administration Services, RE: Respect Group Training Reporting Requirements (Sept. 16, 2022)

Education Funding Branch:

- None

General:

- (Page 8) Letter from S. Loewen (Sept. 1, 2022)
- (Page 12) Copied letter to W. Ruff from Hon. Min. Ewasko (Sept. 7, 2022)
- (Page 13) Email from I. Bindi (Sept. 14, 2022)

10.2 Manitoba School Boards Association (MSBA) Correspondence – Received

The following MSBA correspondence was received by the Board:

Labour Relations:

- (Page 1) Memo from M. Whiteway RE: September 19, 2022, One-Time Federal Holiday (Sept. 15, 2022)

General MSBA Correspondence:

- (Page 2) e-bulletin Sept. 7, (2022)
- (Page 3) Learning Opportunities Calendar 2022-2023
- (Page 8) Call for Nominations Resolutions package
- (Page 11) Audit Committee Guide – Canadian Edition
- (Page 126) Equity Audit Registration

11. ACTION ITEMS

11.1 Board Presentations for 2022-2023

2022-009

Moved by Trustee Landry

Seconded by Trustee Turner

THAT the Board approve the list of Board Presentations for 2022-2023.

CARRIED

12. PUBLIC FORUM

The following members of the public were in attendance and had the opportunity to ask questions for information or clarification from items on this evening's agenda:

- Jay McGurran
- M. Toews, virtual
- Maggie Macintosh, virtual
- Marcela Cabezas
- Nicholas Kelly, virtual
- Sara Decker-Razos, virtual
- Scott Wood, virtual

- Selina Bieber, virtual
- Sia Erlendson, virtual

13. ADJOURNMENT

The Sept. 20 Regular Meeting adjourned at 8:29 p.m.

"Original signed by L. Johnston"

Chair

"Original signed by J. Rudnicki"

Secretary-Treasurer