

MINUTES OF THE

REGULAR MEETING OF THE LOUIS RIEL SCHOOL DIVISION BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Tuesday, November 1, 2022, 7:30 P.M.
50 Monterey Road, Winnipeg
Hybrid Meeting

BOARD MEMBERS: Francine Champagne, Trustee
Darlene Gerrior, Trustee
Pamela Kolochuk, Trustee
Sandy Nemeth, Chair
Ryan Palmquist, Trustee
Chris Sigurdson, Vice-Chair
Chipalo Simunyola, Trustee
Cindy Turner, Trustee
Irene Nordheim, 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
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
Derrick Sheldon, Assistant Director of Staff Services, virtual

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Nov. 1 Regular Meeting of the Louis Riel School Division (LRSD) Board of Trustees was called to order by Sandy Nemeth, Chair, LRSD Board of Trustees at 7:00 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES

2.1 Approval of Agenda for Regular Board Meeting – Nov. 1, 2022

2022-027

Moved by Trustee Nordheim

Seconded by Trustee Gerrior

THAT the Nov. 1 agenda for the Regular Board Meeting be approved.

CARRIED

2.2 Approval of Minutes of Regular Board Meeting – Oct. 18, 2022

As there were no changes, the Oct. 18 minutes of the Regular Board Meeting were accepted as distributed.

2.3 Approval of Minutes of Special Board Meeting - Oct. 25, 2022

As there were no changes, the Oct. 25 minutes of the Special Board Meeting were accepted as distributed.

3. LRSD NEWS

3.1 News from the Board of Trustees Provided by Trustee Kolochuk

First, I'd like to congratulate all trustees and especially the newly elected trustees to the LRSD Board:

- Francine Champagne - Ward 1
- Irene Nordheim - Ward 2
- Ryan Palmquist - Ward 3
- Darlene Gerrior - Ward 3
- Chipalo Simunyola - Ward 4

This is an exciting time for LRSD and having new trustees on the Board with different experience and community connections will be a benefit as we move forward to fulfill our 4-year term. I also want to congratulate Sandy Nemeth, Chris Sigurdson and Cindy Turner for being re-elected for another term. We have a very diverse board that represents the LRSD community and I'm looking forward to working with all of you.

The schools have been bustling over the last week in all areas of the division with spirit weeks, Halloween events and preparation for the Choral Celebration tomorrow at the Centennial Concert Hall. It is great to see the schools and communities coming together after being apart for two years. The next year will include a lot of firsts for some students and staff and reconnecting with traditions for others. As a parent and trustee, it is so great to see that the connections we built prior to the pandemic have not been lost, but rather regenerated.

I'm looking forward to seeing the Choral Celebration tomorrow. Hope to see you there!

3.2 News from Superintendent Michalik

Superintendent Michalik highlighted the following:

- I also want to congratulate our newly elected Board of Trustees and acknowledge individuals whom I journeyed with for a long time and who are not with us this evening. Previously, I acknowledged Louise Johnston, Josie Landry, and Neil Vadeboncoeur for their contributions. Tonight, I want to recognize and thank Robert Page for his many contributions and Tom Parker for his contributions to LRSD and the legacy school divisions.
- The Manitoba School Library Day was Oct. 24. I want to highlight that we are one of the very few school divisions that still has the role of the teacher-librarian in our schools.
- Media Literacy Week 2022 took place on Oct. 24 to 28. Students, staff and families are making commitments and outlining expectations for media literacy.
- November is Financial Literacy Month in Manitoba to recognize ongoing education and awareness of financial literacy. In the upcoming months, the Board's dialogue will be focused on our own financial literacy.
- I'd also like to note that the Dakota Collegiate varsity football team is having an amazing season and we all want to cheer them on.

4. BOARD EDUCATION

4.1 Manitoba School Boards Association (MSBA) Fall Members Conference

The Chair encouraged trustees to join colleagues from across the province at the MSBA Conference and Annual General Meeting (AGM) on Dec. 1 and 2 for two days of learning, sharing, and association business. Dec. 1 will be focused on professional development for both new and seasoned trustees, and Dec. 2 will include the AGM, regional meetings, and other items related to association business. This will be an in-person meeting at the Victoria Inn Hotel and Convention Centre in Winnipeg.

5. FINANCE AND AUDIT

5.1 Teachers' Idea Fund 2022-2023 Funding Announcement

Secretary-Treasurer Rudnicki shared the announcement made by the province regarding the 2022-2023 Teachers' Idea Funding Announcement supporting the following LRSD schools:

- Minnetonka School - Integrating literacy and mental health, well-being and belonging with student voice and choice in the amount of \$67,250.
- St. George School - Creating a wellness and movement room in the amount of \$47,735.
- Archwood School - Creating safe spaces to support mental health teaching and learning in the amount of \$56,000.

6. INFORMATION TO THE BOARD

6.1 New School Update - École Sage Creek & Bonavista

Superintendent Michalik 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. We had a great meeting this afternoon with representatives from the government reviewing the request for proposals (RFP) evaluation criteria. Assistant Superintendent Anderson confirmed that the province's RFP requesting design services closed on Nov. 1. The process will be complete in one week and the successful architectural firm will be announced for the design of the school for École Sage Creek & Bonavista. As part of the process, we will be meeting with the Parent Advisory Council (PAC) at École Sage Creek School on Thursday, Nov. 4.

6.2 Collège Jeanne-Sauvé Renovation and Addition Update

Superintendent Michalik advised that the renovation and addition at Collège Jeanne-Sauvé are moving along without issue and on schedule. Amarbeer Bhandari, Director of Maintenance, Facilities and Transportation, advised that the science classroom renovations will hopefully be completed by Jan. 15. We await receipt of the hollow core, currently being manufactured for the addition. In December, we anticipate the structural steel will start to go up and take shape. We are still on target to open in September of 2023.

6.3 J.H. Bruns Collegiate Renovation and Addition Update

Assistant Superintendent Murray shared that the community had the chance to meet the architect and look at three possible designs at the Oct. 20 Community Consultation. We are amplifying the feedback process for the J.H. Bruns community which includes the partner elementary schools and families in Sage Creek. Staff at each of those schools had the chance to dialogue during staff meetings. Assistant Superintendent Murray will also be meeting with student leaders at these schools, and we will do a deep analysis of location and to make the best possible plans for students. We are planning a student-led Open House on Nov. 16 which will include tours of the school and an opportunity to provide more feedback on the design options. The architects will then review the feedback and provide a final design option in December for submission to the Province of Manitoba.

6.4 Windsor Park Collegiate Renovation Update

Assistant Superintendent Murray shared that we are at the initial planning stages of putting together a timeline for submitting a Class D design for cost estimate to the province by March. We can confirm that Prairie Architect will be joining us to develop the plan for Windsor Park Collegiate. After consultation with school teams, we will bring

forward a first look at those high-level designs, hopefully in January. Staff will have a first glance at the Collège Béliveau building the week of Nov. 1.

6.5 Collège Béliveau Renovation Update

Assistant Superintendent Anderson shared that we are meeting with the staff task force at Collège Béliveau and that team will be visiting the Windsor Park Collegiate building. There was a presentation during the October staff meeting where ideas were shared. The division is working closely with Prairie Architects and the school team.

6.6 Marion School Renovation and Addition Update

Assistant Superintendent Cormack advised that there are two projects happening at Marion School; the envelope and elevator renovation and the addition project which is in the RFP process. In terms of the envelope and elevator project, the steel angle work, ledger and installation station are ongoing on the west side of the building. The piles for the west entry ramp and stairs have been installed. The universal change room is now complete. The envelope renovation includes replacing all the windows on both floors and the windows have started to arrive.

6.7 École Varennes Update

Assistant Superintendent Anderson shared an update regarding École Varennes. The division contracted a third-party service to conduct a building condition assessment, which was built in 1950 as a flood relief school to help out other buildings that were damaged. When it was originally constructed, the school had a 25-year life expectancy. The outcome of the building assessment was that given the long list of repairs and enhancements required, it made more sense to rebuild. For the past few months, architects have been working on plans to design a new school building constructed in the schoolyard, located close to St. Mary's Road. Students would continue to occupy the existing building, during the construction phase, and when the new school is ready, the existing building would be torn down and that area would serve as either a playground or parking, depending on the design. We have received initial drawings from the architects and on Nov. 8 we will be sharing three options with the community. This will be a starting point for discussion. We will be consulting with students and staff in November and based on their feedback, the architects will be incorporating their refinements in these options.

6.8 Governance Journey 2022 Guidebook

Superintendent Michalik shared the Governance Journey 2022 Guidebook and answered trustee questions.

6.9 Educators' Summit Update

Superintendent Michalik shared an update on the LRSD Educators' Summit and made reference to the professional learning day planned for staff on Nov. 25.

6.10 Learning Circle Issue 34, October 2022

Superintendent Michalik reminded trustees that The Learning Circle, which is a monthly bulletin, is shared with all staff through email.

7. POLICY

7.1 Policy Review Committee - Second Reading

2022-028

Moved by Trustee Sigurdson

Seconded by Francine Champagne

THAT the following policies - reviewed by the Superintendent's Policy Committee, receive second reading and be returned to committee for further review and brought back for third reading and finally be adopted:

- Policy IKFC - Graduation Requirements - Substitution of Credits 2022
- Policy IGCC and Administrative Protocol - Challenge for Credit Option - Grade 9 to 12

CARRIED

7.2 Policy Review Committee Update - Ratification of Amendment

2022-029

Moved by Trustee Turner

Seconded by Trustee Kolochuk

THAT Policy IKAE - Specialized Assessments 2022 be amended to align with the Standards for Appropriate Education Programming.

CARRIED

8. CORRESPONDENCE

8.1 School Board Correspondence – Received

The following correspondence was received by the Board:

Manitoba Education:

- (Page 1) Letter from Allan Hawkins, Executive Director, RE: Menstrual products ordering process and product availability (Oct. 27, 2022)

Education Funding Branch:

- None

General:

- (Page 3) Email from A. Laing (Oct. 27, 2022)
- (Page 4) Letter from L. Aitken (Oct. 28, 2022)

8.2 School Board Correspondence - Sent

The following correspondence was sent on behalf of the Board:

- Letter to A. Laing (Oct. 31, 2022)

8.3 Manitoba School Boards Association (MSBA) Correspondence – Received

The following MSBA correspondence was received by the Board:

Labour Relations:

- None

General MSBA Correspondence:

- (Page 1) The Learning Partnership Update
- (Page 3) Memo RE: 2022 Fall General & Regional Meetings (Oct. 26, 2022)

9. 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:

- Charlene Sacher, virtual
- Cyril Indome, virtual
- Jay McGurran
- Justin Bell, virtual
- Kathleen Atkin, virtual
- Marcela Cabezas
- Margaret Whitlaw, virtual
- Penny Helgason, virtual
- Sara decker-razos, virtual
- Scott Wood
- Sia Erlendson, virtual
- Susan Ciastko, virtual

10. ADJOURNMENT

The Nov. 1 Regular Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

“Original signed by S. Nemeth”

Chair

“Original signed by J. Rudnicki”

Secretary-Treasurer