MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE LOUIS RIEL SCHOOL BOARD Tuesday, February 17, 2015 (7:00 PM)

The Meeting of the Louis Riel School Board was called to order by the Chairperson of the Board, Trustee Louise Johnston.

ROLL CALL

UPON THE ROLL BEING CALLED, THE FOLLOWING WERE PRESENT:

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS:

Louise Johnston Chairperson
Chris Sigurdson Vice-Chairperson

Hugh Coburn Trustee
Josie Landry Trustee
Colleen Mayer Trustee
Sandy Nemeth Trustee
Tom Parker Trustee
Dave Richardson Trustee

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

Duane Brothers Superintendent of Schools

Brad Fulton Secretary-Treasurer

Steven Lawrie Director of Student and Clinical Services

Christian Michalik Assistant Superintendent
Marlene Murray Assistant Superintendent
Irene Nordheim Assistant Superintendent
Pat Trottier Board Recording Secretary

REGRETS:

Cindy Turner Trustee

1. CALL TO ORDER

1.1 Call Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:09 p.m.

A) WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

1.2 Welcome and Notification of Audio Recording

The Chairperson welcomed everyone in attendance and notified them of the use of audio recording at Board meetings for accuracy.

B) MISSION AND PRIORITIES

1.3 Mission and Priorities

The Chairperson read the Mission and Priorities.

C) GOOD NEWS

1.4 Good News Shared by the Superintendent of Schools

- As we re-visit staff recognition, we are hosting an LRSD Staycation Staff Appreciation Social on March 12, 2015
- We are continuing to discuss a partnership with Manitoba Institute of Trades and Technology (MITT)
- Tell Them From Me (TTFM) Student Engagement Survey more information will be provided at a later date

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA & CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

2.1 Approval of Agenda – February 17, 2015

44/2015 THAT the February 17, 2015 agenda be approved.

Trustee (Colleen Mayer) Moved, Trustee (Sandy Nemeth) Seconded to approve the motion.

CARRIED

2.2 Approval of Minutes of Regular Board Meeting - February 3, 2015

45/2015 THAT the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held February 3, 2015 be approved. Trustee (Josie Landry) Moved, Trustee (Dave Richardson) Seconded to approve the motion.

CARRIED

3. CHAIR'S REPORT

3.1 Chair's Report for February 17, 2015

- Incredible amount of time has been spent by the Board and the Administration preparing for the public Budget meeting to be held February 18, 2015
- Many Trustees have been attending in schools whether it is for I love to Read or Wellness event at J.H. Bruns Collegiate, we really love being in schools and the opportunity to sit with students

4. **COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS**

A) COMMUNITY INPUT

4.1 Propel at Nelson McIntyre Collegiate

A project based learning experience for grade 11 students in LRSD based out of Nelson McIntyre Collegiate was presented to the School Board Members and Superintendent's Team by teachers Derek Acorn of École Marie-Anne-Gaboury, and Matt Patrician of J.H. Bruns Collegiate and representing the design group of nine teachers from six high schools. They spoke about their first meeting where all of the nine teachers took part in an inquiry based project. The guiding question was "What makes Winnipeg Unique"? The process then included a breakdown of the skills necessary to begin to answer the question, understanding what scaffolding will be needed for students. This was a very positive experience with choice, in depth learning and a variety of learning styles being addressed. Next design meeting will focus on cross curricular teaching.

4.2 Occupational Therapy in Child Health Presentation

A presentation was made to the School Board Members and the Superintendent's Team regarding Occupational Therapy in Child Health by Tammy Favreau, Leah Zajic, Rosanne Papadopulus, and Lisa Tymchuk of the Occupational Therapy Department. LRSD Occupational Therapists believe that all

students perform optimally when they are in a calm, alert and regulated state for the majority of the school day. The OTs brought a variety of sensory support tools used to assist students to become calm, which included samples of a variety of Hand Tools – stress balls, bendable figures, etc.; Deep Pressure Input Tools – weighted lizard, snake, frog, etc.; and Dynamic Seating Options – hoki stools, zumma rockers, movin' sit cushion, etc. Special guests student Levi and his mother Shauna spoke about the positive results that the Occupational Therapists have provided Levi with his education in LRSD.

Director Steve Lawrie left the meeting.

A) COMMITTEE REPORT

4.3 LRSD Foundation Committee (Ad Hoc) Meeting Notes of February 9, 2015

46/2015 THAT LRSD Foundation Committee (Ad Hoc) meeting notes of February 9, 2015 be received as information.

Trustee (Josie Landry) Moved, Trustee (Colleen Mayer) Seconded to approve the motion.

CARRIED

4.4 Community Connections Committee Meeting Notes of February 10, 2014

47/2015 THAT Community Connections Committee meeting notes of February 10, 2015 be received as information.

Trustee (Sandy Nemeth) Moved, Trustee (Colleen Mayer) Seconded to approve the motion.

CARRIED

5. EXECUTIVE LIMITATIONS PROGRESS REPORTS

A) Superintendent

5.1 Relationship with Parents and Other Stakeholders

48/2015 THAT the Superintendent's Monitoring Report regarding Policy EL-1.3 Relationship with

Parents and Other Stakeholders is part of his evaluation, and;

THAT the report was accepted by the School Board.

Trustee (Dave Richardson) Moved, Trustee (Hugh Coburn) Seconded to approve the motion.

CARRIED

6. INFORMATION: EL # 1.8

A) COMMUNICATION AND SUPPORT TO SCHOOL BOARD

6.1 Update on French Immersion Enrollment Pressures

49/2015 THAT the Superintendent's report regarding the Update on French Immersion

Enrollment Pressures be received as information.

Trustee (Josie Landry) Moved, Trustee (Tom Parker) Seconded to approve the motion.

CARRIED

6.2 Sage Creek School Update

50/2015 THAT the Superintendent's verbal report regarding the Sage Creek School Update be received as information.

Trustee (Dave Richardson) Moved, Trustee (Hugh Coburn) Seconded to approve the motion.

CARRIED

6.3 Metro Superintendents Police and Schools Working Group

51/2015 THAT the Superintendent's report regarding the Metro Superintendents Police and School Working Group be received as information.

Trustee (Colleen Mayer) Moved, Trustee (Sandy Nemeth) Seconded to approve the motion.

CARRIED

7. BOARD EDUCATION

7.1 Board Education February 2015

The following articles were provided to the School Board Members for their review and discussion.

7.2 Discussion on Thomas King's "Inconvenient Indian"

Trustee Dave Richardson referred to Dr. Martin Brokenleg book *Reclaiming Youth at Risk* and his message that "it takes a village to raise a child".

7.3 The Language of Emotion

Trustee Dave Richardson would like to see further discussion on this article.

7.4 Conceptualizations of Complex, Racialized Poverty, Social Exclusion and Education System

7.5 The View From Here: Manitobans Call for a Poverty Reduction Plan

8. BOARD POLICY REVIEW

A) GOVERNANCE PROCESS

8.1 Rescindment of Administrative Guideline - FF

52/2015 THAT the LRSD Administrative Guideline FF update be received as information, and; THAT LRSD Administrative Guideline FF be rescinded.

Trustee (Colleen Mayer) Moved, Trustee (Tom Parker) Seconded to approve the motion.

CARRIED

B) BOARD-MANAGEMENT RELATIONSHIP

C) EXECUTIVE LIMITATIONS

8.2 EL-1.4.1 Monitoring Report Financial Condition and Activities

53/2015 THAT the Superintendent's report regarding Policy EL-1.4.1 Monitoring Report Financial Condition and Activities be received as information.

Trustee (Josie Landry) Moved, Trustee (Dave Richardson) Seconded to approve the motion.

CARRIED

D) OUTCOMES

9. BOARD CONSENT AGENDA

9.1 School Board Correspondence

54/2015 THAT the School Board correspondence be received as information.

1. MANITOBA SCHOOL BOARD ASSOCIATION

Labour Relations:

- a) (Page 1) Collective Bargaining Update, January 30, 2015;
- b) (Page 3) Collective Bargaining Update, February 6, 2015;

General Correspondence:

- a) (Page 1) Memorandum dated February 3, 2015 from Ms. Tara Alexander regarding 2014/15 Trustee Indemnity Survey;
- b) (Page 10) Memorandum dated February 4, 2015 from Ms. Carolyn Duhamel regarding posting of 2012-213 EDI Results;
- c) (Page 35) Memorandum dated February 4, 2015 from Ms. Carolyn Duhamel regarding Use of School Facilities as Polling Stations for Provincial Election, April 19, 2016;
- d) (Page 36) Manitoba Government establishes commission to create road map for providing universally accessible early learning and child care;
- e) (Page 39) Manitoba Education Research Network MERN North 2015;
- f) (Page 41) Evergreen School Division Superintendent and CEO posting;
- g) (Page 45) Ebulletin February 11, 2015;
- h) (Page 46) Twentieth National Congress on Rural Education in Canada;

2. MANITOBA EDUCATION

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3. PUBLIC SCHOOLS FINANCE BOARD

- a) (Page 1) Letter dated January 28, 2015 from Ms. Andrea Lawson and Mr. Gérard Lésage regarding École Howden Gymnasium Addition Additional Support;
- (Page 2) Letter dated January 28, 2015 from Ms. Andrea Lawson and Mr. R. John Weselake regarding Dakota Collegiate Gymnasium Addition and Structural Roof Upgrades Project Support;

4. OTHER

- i) (Page 1) Letter dated January 28, 2015 from Mrs. Louise Johnston to the Honourable Peter Bjornson regarding the 4% policy limit;
- j) (Page 2) Letter dated January 29, 2015 from Honourable Peter Bjornson regarding increase funding to education;
- k) (Page 5) Memorandum dated January 30, 2015 from Mr. Morris Glimcher regarding a Trustee Summit;
- (Page 6) Letter dated February 4, 2015 from General Vanier Children's Centre Board of Directors regarding classroom space at General Vanier School;
- m) (Page 7) Memorandum dated February 5, 2015 from Mr. Duane Brothers, Superintendent of Schools regarding the Middle Immersion program for September 2015:
- n) (Page 8) Letter dated February 5, 2015 from Mrs. Louise Johnston, Chair of the Board to Ms. Lynne Mavins regarding request to establish a reserve;
- o) (Page 9) Letter dated February 9, 2015 from Mrs. Louise Johnston, Chair of the Board to Mr. Terry Borys regarding naming of the new school in Sage Creek;

Trustee (Hugh Coburn) Moved, Trustee (Sandy Nemeth) Seconded to approve the motion.

CARRIED

10. FINANCE AND AUDIT

11. OTHER BOARD JOBS

11.1 Manitoba School Boards Association Distribution of Board Ballots

55/2015 THAT the memorandum dated February 2, 2015 from Carolyn Duhamel regarding the

Authorization to Receive Board Ballots at the 2015 Annual Convention of the Manitoba

School Boards Association be received as information; and,

THAT the Chair respond.

Trustee (Hugh Coburn) Moved, Trustee (Colleen Mayer) Seconded to approve the motion.

CARRIED

11.2 Manitoba School Boards Association Convention 2015 Annual Convention March 19-21 2015

56/2015 THAT the Manitoba School Boards Association 2015 Annual Convention for March 19 –

21, 2015 registration forms be received as information, and;

THAT School Board Trustees register with the Board Recording Secretary.

Trustee (Dave Richardson) Moved, Trustee (Hugh Coburn) Seconded to approve the motion.

CARRIED

11.3 Manitoba High Schools Athletic Association Trustee Summit Meeting

57/2015 THAT the memorandum dated January 30, 2015 from Morris Glimcher regarding the

Manitoba High Schools Athletic Association Trustee Summit Meeting be received as

information, and;

THAT Trustees Tom Parker and Hugh Coburn attend.

Trustee (Colleen Mayer) Moved, Trustee (Sandy Nemeth) Seconded to approve the motion.

CARRIED

11.4 School Community Initiatives Partnership - École St. Germain

58/2015 THAT the School Community Initiatives Partnership Application for "École St. Germain

Festival du Voyageur 2015 - February 17 to 20, 2015" be received as information, and;

THAT École St. Germain receive a \$2000 grant.

Trustee (Dave Richardson) Moved, Trustee (Josie Landry) Seconded to approve the motion.

CARRIED

11.5 School Community Initiatives Partnership - General Vanier School

59/2015 THAT the School Community Initiatives Partnership Application for "General Vanier

School Snow Angels, Pink T-Shirts and Amazing Race: Active Citizenship Projects" be

received as information, and;

THAT General Vanier School receive a \$2000 grant.

Trustee (Hugh Coburn) Moved, Trustee (Tom Parker) Seconded to approve the motion.

CARRIED

11.6 School Community Initiatives Partnership - Hastings School

60/2015 THAT the School Community Initiatives Partnership Application for "Hastings School

Family Night April 16, 2015" be received as information, and;

THAT Hastings School receive a \$2000 grant.

Trustee (Colleen Mayer) Moved, Trustee (Chris Sigurdson) Seconded to approve the motion.

CARRIED

11.7 Winnipeg Chamber of Commerce Spirit of Winnipeg Awards

61/2015

THAT the Winnipeg Chamber of Commerce Spirit of Winnipeg Awards event on March 13, 2015 to recognize the nomination of the Career Internship Program (CIP) in Louis Riel School Division be received as information.

Trustee (Colleen Mayer) Moved, Trustee (Sandy Nemeth) Seconded to approve the motion.

CARRIED

12. PUBLIC FORUM

Mr. Frank Restall, President of the Louis Riel Teachers' Association commented on:

- The exceptional presentations made by the
 - Occupational Therapists regarding their program
 - Propel Project at Nelson McIntyre Collegiate
- In reference to the Immersion program enrollment pressures and on behalf of the teachers the switch of George McDowell School to École George-McDowell was a successful process, and trust that communication will be on-going in the future. Please keep this as a priority.
- Article in the February 17th Winnipeg Free Press regarding a proposed indigenous course for all new students at the University of Winnipeg

13. ADJOURN

13.1 Adjournment of Meeting

62/2015 THAT the meeting be adjourned.

Trustee (Tom Parker) Moved, Trustee (Sandy Nemeth) Seconded to approve the motion.

CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 9:26 PM	
Chairperson	Secretary-Treasurer