

**MINUTES OF THE  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE LOUIS RIEL SCHOOL BOARD  
Tuesday, December 02, 2014 (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
Cindy Turner	Trustee

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:**

Duane Brothers	Superintendent of Schools
Brad Fulton	Secretary-Treasurer
Neill Johnson	Assistant Superintendent
Christian Michalik	Assistant Superintendent
Marlene Murray	Assistant Superintendent
Irene Nordheim	Assistant Superintendent
Pat Trottier	Board Recording Secretary

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

**1.1 Call Meeting to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 7:12 p.m.

**A) WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**

**1.2 Welcome**

The Chairperson welcomed everyone in attendance.

## **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**

- Mr. Brothers and Assistant Superintendent Irene Nordheim attended the Provincial announcement at Garden City Collegiate regarding Manitoba Government partnering with High Schools, Colleges, and Universities to help students prepare for rewarding careers. This is a fantastic endeavour, Collège Jeanne-Sauvé and Collège Béliveau are already involved. The dual-credits initiative is great for kids to get a taste of university courses and working with university professors. This opportunity helps students who may not have considered college or university see that they can do this.
- New sketches of the Sage Creek School were shared, as well as, colour swatches for each of the school neighbourhoods which will have its own theme/motif.

## **2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA & CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

### **2.1 Approval of Agenda - December 2, 2014**

279/2014 THAT the December 2, 2014 agenda be approved.

*Trustee (Dave Richardson) Moved, Trustee (Cindy Turner) Seconded to approve the motion.*

CARRIED

### **2.2 Approval of Minutes of Regular Board Meeting - November 18, 2014**

280/2014 THAT the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held November 18, 2014

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

CARRIED

## **3. CHAIR'S REPORT**

### **3.1 Chair's Report for December 2, 2014**

- The School Board and Administrative team met with the three Councillors within Louis Riel School Division, Brian Mayes, Janice Lukes and Matt Allard. We were able to share common issues such as snow clearing issues, safety issues, removal of portables and other issues. This was an important dialogue that we are committed to continue.
- Congratulation to the Board committees on their plans and their work, these committees along with senior administration team have worked very hard. This is new to the Board, as in the past administration provided this information, now with our new Governance plan this is true working committees of the Board.
- Our community consultation was held on November 25, 2014. A great amount of feedback has been provided about budget. I invite everybody to check our website and encourage everyone to answer the online survey.

## **4. COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS**

### **A) COMMUNITY INPUT**

#### **4.1 School Community Initiatives Partnership Presentation to Niakwa Place School**

Trustee Hugh Coburn presented a School Community Initiatives Partnership Grant to Principal Claire Maxwell, and Parent Council President Grant Lindgren for the "Festival of Life and Learning" on May 22, 2015.

#### **4.2 Citizenship Presentation**

Louis Riel School Division has its three priorities “Literacy and Numeracy, Engagement, and Citizenship”. We have had conversations throughout the Division looking at citizenship. All of our schools are active with the citizenship initiative. This Fall we brought together three different groups of students and staff on several occasions. The conversations have been on how can we get students from different schools together to share their ideas regarding citizenship, how to start working together, and how to develop on a yearly basis a student citizenship forum for high school and middle years students. This initiative is owned by staff and students. We hope by Spring 2015 we will have a large student citizenship initiative here in Louis Riel and increase the amount of networking among schools.

#### **B) COMMITTEE REPORT**

##### **4.3 Community Connections Committee Meeting Report of November 21, 2014**

281/2014 THAT the Community Connections Committee Meeting Report of November 21, 2014 be received as information.

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

CARRIED

##### **4.4 AdHoc LRSD Foundation Committee Meeting Report of November 24, 2014**

282/2014 THAT the LRSD Foundation Committee Meeting Report of November 24, 2014 be received as information.

*Trustee (Colleen Mayer) Moved, Trustee (Cindy Turner) Seconded to approve the motion.*

CARRIED

##### **4.5 Finance and Audit Committee Meeting Report of November 25, 2014**

283/2014 THAT the Finance and Audit Committee Meeting Report of November 25, 2014 be received as information; and,  
THAT a Special Board Meeting be held on March 10, 2015 at 5:30pm to adopt the Board’s Budget for the 2015 - 2016 school year.

*Trustee (Tom Parker) Moved, Trustee (Dave Richardson) Seconded to approve the motion.*

CARRIED

##### **4.6 Negotiations Committee Meeting Committee Report of November 25, 2014**

284/2014 THAT the Negotiations Committee Meeting Report of November 25, 2014 be received as information.

*Trustee (Hugh Coburn) Moved, Trustee (Josie Landry) Seconded to approve the motion.*

CARRIED

#### **5. EXECUTIVE LIMITATIONS PROGRESS REPORTS**

##### **A) SUPERINTENDENT**

#### **6. INFORMATION: EL # 1.8**

##### **6.1 LRSD Recognition Event**

285/2014 THAT the Superintendent’s report regarding the LRSD Recognition Event be received as information.

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

CARRIED

## 6.2 Assistant Superintendent - HR Department

286/2014 THAT the Superintendent's report regarding the Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources be received as information.

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

CARRIED

## A) COMMUNICATION AND SUPPORT TO SCHOOL BOARD

### 6.3 Dakota Collegiate Alumni Field Sign

287/2014 THAT the Dakota Collegiate Alumni Field sign be approved.

Trustee (Chris Sigurdson) Moved, Trustee (Cindy Turner) Seconded to approve the motion.

CARRIED

### 6.4 Family Centres

288/2014 THAT the Superintendent's report regarding Family Centres be received as information.

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

CARRIED

## 7. BOARD EDUCATION

### 7.1 LRSD Board Education - "What is the Purpose of Public Education?"

In its ongoing learning, School Board members were asked to read the following two articles and to be prepared to discuss the following topics at the December 2, 2014 Board Meeting.

- 2014 Mandate Letter: Education - Province of Ontario  
<http://www.ontario.ca/government/2014-mandate-letter-education>
- "What is Inspiring Education?" Alberta Education  
<http://education.alberta.ca/department/ipr/inspiringeducation.aspx> (as of December 2, 2014 this link is currently unavailable)

## 8. BOARD POLICY REVIEW

### A) GOVERNANCE PROCESS

### B) BOARD-MANAGEMENT RELATIONSHIP

### C) EXECUTIVE LIMITATIONS

### D) OUTCOMES

## 9. BOARD CONSENT AGENDA

### 9.1 School Board Correspondence

289/2014 THAT the School Board correspondence be received as information.

#### 1. MANITOBA SCHOOL BOARD ASSOCIATION

##### Labour Relations:

- a) (Page 1) Collective Bargaining Update dated November 26, 2014;
- b) (Page 3) Memorandum dated November 26, 2014 regarding Up-Date CPI, Unemployment Rate, Regional Trends;

##### Professional Development:

**General Correspondence:**

- a) **(Page 1)** Letter dated November 18, 2014 from Mr. Floyd Martens to Honourable Greg Dewar regarding Pre-Budget Consultation Submission;
- b) **(Page 3)** Manitoba Education Research Network Winter Forum 2015;
- c) **(Page 5)** Ebulletin dated November 19, 2014;
- d) **(Page 6)** Memorandum dated November 25, 2014 from Ms. Heather Demetriooff regarding Booking Hotel Rooms for MSBA 2015 Annual Convention;
- e) **(Page 9)** Mountain View School Division CEO/Superintendent of Schools Ad;
- f) **(Page 13)** Frontier School Division Chief Superintendent Ad;

**2. MANITOBA EDUCATION**

**3. PUBLIC SCHOOLS FINANCE BOARD**

- a) **(Page 1)** Letter dated November 19, 2014 from Ms. Lia Abolit and Mr. R. John Weselake regarding Proposed Sage Creek School Authorization to Hire – Building Envelope Commissioning Agent;
- b) **(Page 9)** Letter dated November 19, 2014 from Mr. George Marchildon and Mr. R. John Weselake regarding the Nordale School – Boiler Replacement;

**4. OTHER**

- a) **(Page 1)** Email dated November 19, 2014 from Mr. Lawrence Smith to Trustee Chris Sigurdson;
- b) **(Page 6)** Christmas card received from Mr. Terry Borys;
- c) **(Page 8)** Letter dated November 19, 2014 from Honourable Peter Bjornson regarding Respect In School (RIS);

*Trustee (Sandy Nemeth) Moved, Trustee (Chris Sigurdson) Seconded to approve the motion.*

CARRIED

**10. FINANCE AND AUDIT**

**11. OTHER BOARD JOBS**

**11.1 Amendment to Procedural By-Laws of the Louis Riel School Board - Third Reading**

390/2014 THAT the Amendment to Procedural By-Laws of the Louis Riel School Board receive Third Reading and finally be adopted.

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

CARRIED

**11.2 Off-School Site Application for J. H. Bruns Collegiate to New York City**

391/2014 THAT the Off-School Site request from J. H. Bruns Collegiate to have students travel to New York City, New York June 20 to 24, 2015 be approved at no cost to the Board.

*Trustee (Dave Richardson) Moved, Trustee (Sandy Nemeth) Seconded to approve the motion.*

CARRIED

**11.3 School Community Initiatives Partnership Application - École Marie-Anne-Gaboury**

392/2014 THAT the School Community Partnership application regarding École Marie-Anne-Gaboury "La Semaine du Festival du Voyageur" be approved, and;  
THAT École Marie-Anne-Gaboury receive a SCIP grant of \$2,000.

*Trustee (Chris Sigurdson) Moved, Trustee (Sandy Nemeth) Seconded to approve the motion.*

CARRIED

**11.4 Samuel Burland School - Active Living Play Structure Project**

393/2014 THAT the Samuel Burland School - Active Living Play Structure Project be approved.

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

CARRIED

**12. PUBLIC FORUM**

**13. SELF-EVALUATION OF GOVERNANCE PROCESS**

**14. ADJOURN**

**14.1 Adjournment of Meeting**

394/2014 THAT the meeting be adjourned.

*Trustee (Tom Parker) Moved, Trustee (Cindy Turner) Seconded to approve the motion.*

CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 8:47 PM

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Chairperson

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Secretary-Treasurer