

**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE LOUIS RIEL SCHOOL BOARD
Tuesday, March 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
Cindy Turner	Trustee

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

Duane Brothers	Superintendent of Schools
Brad Fulton	Secretary-Treasurer
Lisa Aitken	Assistant Superintendent
Clarke Hagan	Director of Information Systems
Christian Michalik	Assistant Superintendent
Marlene Murray	Assistant Superintendent
Irene Nordheim	Assistant Superintendent
Pat Trottier	Board Recording Secretary

A. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

A) WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

1.2 Welcome and Notification of Audio Recording

The Chairperson welcomed everyone in attendance and notified them of Board meetings being recorded for accuracy.

B) MISSION AND PRIORITIES

1.3 Mission and Priorities

The Chairperson reminded everyone of the LRSD Mission and Priorities.

C) GOOD NEWS

1.4 Good News Shared by the Superintendent of Schools

- The Superintendent congratulated the Career Internship Program (CIP) at Windsor Park Collegiate for winning the Winnipeg Chamber of Commerce Spirit of Winnipeg Award on March 13, 2015.
- CNN Money reported Microsoft Office has empowered Canadian students from Kindergarten to Post-secondary. The article flagged Louis Riel School Division noting that Office is changing the way our students engage with technology and quoted Director of Information Systems Clarke Hagan, "Hands down, Microsoft's OneNote is probably one of the best programs for education. It's a real game changer for our classrooms, the software allows real time and non-real time collaboration that can actually be used to customize the instruction and provide for better learning."
- Mr. Brothers commented on his school visit to Victor Mager School. He referred to the warm welcoming feeling once entering the building. There is wall art made with over 80 different languages representing the languages spoken by the students in their homes. There is a new community kitchen to assist in providing breakfast and lunches for students.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA & CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

2.1 Approval of Agenda – March 17, 2015

79/2015 THAT the March 17, 2015 agenda be approved.

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

CARRIED

2.2 Approval of Minutes of Regular Board Meeting – March 3, 2015

80/2015 THAT the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held March 3, 2015 be approved.

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

CARRIED

2.3 Approval of Special Board Meeting Minutes - March 10, 2015

81/2015 THAT the Minutes of the Special Board Meeting held March 10, 2015 be approved.

Trustee (Sandy Nemeth) Moved, Trustee (Josie Landry) Seconded to approve the motion.

CARRIED

3. CHAIR'S REPORT

3.1 Chair's Report for March 17, 2015

- Our 2015-2016 Budget was approved last week and the media has been in touch with us. The sense is that the community is generally understanding that we have to move forward in providing the services required for our students.

4. COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

A) COMMUNITY INPUT

4.1 ADDRESSING EQUITY IN LOUIS RIEL SCHOOL DIVISION: VICTOR MAGER SCHOOL PRESENTATION

Victor Mager School Principal Karen Magnusson and Vice-Principal Nicole Mager made a presentation to the School Board and Superintendent's Team regarding the demographics of the school and highlighted the positive things happening in their school. Staff at Victor Mager School strive to provide the basic needs for their 362 students by giving them a sense of love and a feeling of belonging.

4.2 School Community Initiatives Partnership Presentation to École St. Germain

Trustee Sandy Nemeth presented a School Community Initiatives Partnership Grant to Principal Amy Haworth and Parent Advisory Vice-Chair Sharon Coughlan for the École St. Germain “Festival du Voyageur 2015”.

4.3 Enrolment Challenges for École Henri-Bergeron and École Provencher

82/2015 THAT the Superintendent’s report and recommendation to address current and future enrolment challenges at Collège Béliveau be received as information, and;
THAT the following motion be adopted:

WHEREAS the Louis Riel School Division is experiencing overcrowding and unsustainable growth at Collège Béliveau and that two of its partner elementary schools, École Henri-Bergeron and École Provencher considered together, have the capacity for future growth, and;

WHEREAS the Louis Riel School Board and its divisional administration have reviewed current and historic enrolments, enrolment projections, school capacities, and planning scenarios to address this specific challenge, and;

WHEREAS the Louis Riel School Board and its divisional administration have consulted with government officials about planning scenarios and a consultation process with its community to address this specific challenge, and;

WHEREAS École Henri-Bergeron and École Provencher are K – 6 French Immersion schools that share the same community geography, and;

WHEREAS the Louis Riel School Board believes that it should ensure that both schools continue to serve the community of North St. Boniface, and;

WHEREAS access to childcare is currently available at École Henri-Bergeron and École Provencher, continues to be an important issue in the parent community, and the Louis Riel School Division can continue to provide space for childcare facilities in both schools, and;

WHEREAS the Louis Riel School Board currently provides bussing for students that attend École Henri-Bergeron and École Provencher, and these provisions can continue, and;

WHEREAS the Louis Riel School Board and its divisional administration have engaged the two French Immersion school communities that share the same geographic area of North St. Boniface (École Henri-Bergeron and École Provencher) in a series of meetings to discuss potential grade configuration changes, from January to March 2015, and;

WHEREAS this consultation process has provided an opportunity for the community to review the results of our research, analysis, and criteria and to provide invaluable perspectives to inform the objective of developing an equitable, sustainable and achievable solution to address the enrolment challenge, and;

WHEREAS the Louis Riel School Division Administration have explored a range of potential options and after consulting the community, have concluded that reorganizing École Provencher into a pre-school to grade 3 school and École Henri-Bergeron into a grades 4 to 8 school, ensures that both buildings continue to serve the community, allow community students to attend a North St. Boniface school through to grade 8, and begins to relieve population pressures at Collège Béliveau, and;

WHEREAS this community consultation has also informed the transition period and plan to support children, families, staff, and the school-based childcare providers that are

impacted by the Board's decision to implement a long-term solution for the September 2015-2016 school year.;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

THAT reorganizing École Provencher into a pre-school to grade 3 school and École Henri-Bergeron into a grades 4 to 8 school is the most equitable, optimal, sustainable, and achievable solution to the changing enrolment patterns in North St. Boniface and growing enrolment pressures at Collège Béliveau and that this change be implemented effective September 2015,

THAT divisional administration communicate on March 18, 2015 with parents/guardians of students presently attending and registered to attend École Provencher and École Henri-Bergeron about the change and transition plan

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

CARRIED

B) COMMITTEE REPORT

4.4 LRSD Foundation Committee (Ad Hoc) Meeting Notes of March 9, 2015

83/2015 THAT the LRSD Foundation Committee (Ad Hoc) meeting notes of March 9, 2015 be received as information.

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

CARRIED

5. EXECUTIVE LIMITATIONS PROGRESS REPORTS

A) SUPERINTENDENT

5.1 Ends Progress Report Regarding Priorities

84/2015 THAT the Superintendent's verbal report regarding Ends Progress Report Regarding Priorities be received as information.

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

CARRIED

6. INFORMATION: EL # 1.8

A) COMMUNICATION AND SUPPORT TO SCHOOL BOARD

6.1 Sage Creek School Update

85/2015 THAT the Superintendent's verbal report regarding the Sage Creek School Update be received as information.

Trustee (Sandy Nemeth) Moved, Trustee (Cindy Turner) Seconded to approve the motion.

CARRIED

6.2 Dakota Collegiate Field

86/2015 THAT the email dated March 10, 2015 from Mr. Robbie Mager, Vice Principal of Dakota Collegiate regarding the Dakota Collegiate Gala Dinner - Alumni Field Capital Campaign be received as information, and;

THAT a table be purchased.

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

CARRIED

6.3 Personnel Report - Principal of École Sage Creek School

87/2015 THAT Marc Poirier be appointed Principal of École Sage Creek School effective January 1, 2016.

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

CARRIED

7. BOARD EDUCATION

7.1 John Ralston Saul "The Comeback"

8. BOARD POLICY REVIEW

A) GOVERNANCE PROCESS

8.1 Review of Governance Policies

88/2015 THAT School Board Trustees review the following Governance Policies for the March 17, 2015 Board Meeting:

EL-1 Global Executive Constraint

EL-1.1 Treatment of Students

EL-1.2 Treatment of Staff

EL-1.3 Treatment of Parents and Other Stakeholders

EL-1.4 Financial Planning and Budgeting

EL-1.4.1 Financial Condition and Activities

And; THAT the Governance Policies are approved.

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

CARRIED

B) BOARD-MANAGEMENT RELATIONSHIP

C) EXECUTIVE LIMITATIONS

D) OUTCOMES

9. BOARD CONSENT AGENDA

9.1 School Board Correspondence

89/2015 THAT the School Board correspondence be received as information.

1. MANITOBA SCHOOL BOARD ASSOCIATION

Labour Relations:

- a) **(Page 1)** Collective Bargaining Update, February 27, 2015;
- b) **(Page 3)** Memorandum dated February 27, 2015 regarding CIP, Unemployment Rate, Regional Trends;
- c) **(Page 7)** Collective Bargaining Update, March 6, 2015;
- d) **(Page 9)** Salary Bulletin dated March 11, 2015 regarding Pembina Trails School Division and Pembina Trails Teachers Association Agreement-in-Committee;

General Correspondence:

- a) **(Page 1)** Memorandum dated November 12, 2014 from Ms. Heather Demetriooff regarding Raffle Donations for 2015 Convention;
- b) **(Page 2)** Memorandum dated March 5, 2015 from Mr. Keith Thomas regarding Universal Student Accident Plan;
- c) **(Page 3)** Child Nutrition Council of Manitoba's Stone Soup;

- d) **(Page 6)** 16th Annual Graduate Student Symposium;
- e) **(Page 8)** 51st Annual Convention Checklist
- f) **(Page 9)** 51st Annual Convention Detailed Program;
- g) **(Page 13)** Brandon School Division Supervisor of Facilities posting;
- h) **(Page 14)** Manitoba Education Research Network Highlights Spring 2015;
- i) **(Page 15)** Ebulletin dated March 11, 2015;
- j) **(Page 16)** All Aboard Winter 2015 Newsletter;
- k) **(Page 21)** Manitoba Education Research Network Spring 2015 Forum;

2. MANITOBA EDUCATION

- a) **(Page 1)**

a. PUBLIC SCHOOLS FINANCE BOARD

- a) **(Page 1)** Letter dated February 23, 2015 from Ms. Lynne Mavins regarding capital reserves;
- b) **(Page 2)** Letter dated February 25, 2015 from Mr. George Marchildon and Gérard Lesage regarding École Varennes – Steam Heating System Replacement – Additional Support 1;
- c) **(Page 3)** Letter dated February 25, 2015 from Mr. George Marchildon and Gérard Lesage regarding St. George School Steam Heating System Replacement – Project Support;
- d) **(Page 4)** Letter dated February 25, 2015 from Ms. Andrea Lawson regarding J.H. Bruns Collegiate – Elevator Additional Project Support;
- e) **(Page 5)** Letter dated March 4, 2015 from Mr. Angelo De Francesco and Gérard Lesage regarding Collège Béliveau – Renovation of Two Science Classrooms;
- f) **(Page 8)** Letter dated March 4, 2015 from Ms. Lia Abolit regarding École Howden Temporary Assignment of Two Modular Classrooms;

4. OTHER

- a) **(Page 1)** Letter received February 11, 2015 from Ms. Jennifer Clary-Lemon regarding immunizations;
- b) **(Page 2)** Letter dated February 26, 2015 from Ms. Cyndy Moffat Forsyth regarding the Huntington Society of Canada donation;
- c) **(Page 3)** Thank you email dated March 2, 2015 from Ms. Susan Rogers regarding receipt of floral arrangement;
- d) **(Page 4)** Letter dated March 3, 2015 from Ms. Claudia Sarbit regarding nomination of Evelyn Myskiw for Director Region 5;
- e) **(Page 5)** Letter dated March 3, 2015 from Mr. Christian Michalik and Mr. Ron Cadez regarding Happiness Is;
- f) **(Page 6)** Letter dated March 4, 2015 from Mrs. Louise Johnston, Chair of the Board regarding notice of motion for École Henri-Bergeron and École Provencher;
- g) **(Page 7)** Media release dated March 4, 2015 regarding River East Transcona School Division budget;
- h) **(Page 8)** Letter dated March 4, 2015 from Honourable Peter Bjornson regarding Mr. Marc Poirier's selection as a recipient for the Manitoba's Celebration of Excellence in Teaching 2014-2015 Minister's Awards;
- i) **(Page 10)** Letter dated March 9, 2015 from Mrs. Louise Johnston, Chair of the Board regarding Trustee Colleen Mayer's election as Chair of the MSBA Universal, Standards Trust Fund;

- j) **(Page 11)** Letter dated March 2015 from Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Wiebe regarding the Rockin' for Choices Concert;
- k) **(Page 12)** Brochure from Kenneth Cameron for MSBA President;
- l) **(Page 13)** Email dated March 10, 2015 from Mr. Rob Wozny regarding École Henri-Bergeron and École Provencher;
- m) **(Page 15)** Email dated March 10, 2015 from Ms. Kyla Vincent regarding École Henri-Bergeron and École Provencher;
- n) **(Page 16)** Email dated March 10, 2015 from Ms. Jennifer Michaluk and Mr. Zouhair Guennouni regarding École Henri-Bergeron and École Provencher;
- o) **(Page 18)** Email dated March 10, 2015 from Ms. Carmen Kinniburgh regarding École Henri-Bergeron and École Provencher;
- p) **(Page 20)** Email dated March 10, 2015 from Ms. Lisa Saunders regarding École Henri-Bergeron and École Provencher;
- q) **(Page 21)** Email dated March 10, 2015 from Mr. Keith Sutherland regarding École Henri-Bergeron and École Provencher;
- r) **(Page 22)** Email dated March 13, 2015 from Ms. Tamara McCaffrey regarding the 2015-2016 LRSD Budget;

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

CARRIED

10. FINANCE AND AUDIT

11. OTHER BOARD JOBS

11.1 Transportation for Students in the Waterside Estates Development

90/2015 THAT for the 2015 – 2016 school year, transportation service be extended for an additional year to students in Kindergarten to Grade 12 until transit service is more completely established in the Waterside Estates area, and;
 THAT the Divisional Administration continue to monitor Winnipeg Transit service to this area.

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

CARRIED

11.2 School Community Initiatives Partnership Grants

91/2015 THAT the report regarding School Community Initiatives Partnership Grants be received as information.

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

CARRIED

11.3 Gala Events

92/2015 THAT the Gala Events report be deferred to the April 7, 2015 meeting.

Trustee (Cindy Turner) Moved, Trustee (Josie Landry) Seconded to approve the motion.

CARRIED

11.4 LRSD Scholarships

93/2015 THAT the LRSD Scholarship report be deferred to the April 7, 2015 meeting.

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

CARRIED

11.5 School Community Initiatives Partnership Application - Nordale School

94/2015 THAT the School Community Partnership application regarding "Nordale School Family BBQ June 3, 2015" be approved, and;
THAT Nordale School receive a SCIP grant of \$2,000.

Trustee (Cindy Turner) Moved, Trustee (Sandy Nemeth) Seconded to approve the motion.

CARRIED

11.6 School Community Initiatives Partnership Application - Windsor Park Collegiate

95/2015 THAT the School Community Partnership application regarding Windsor Park Collegiate "Mental Health Awareness Walk April 15, 2015" be approved, and;
THAT Windsor Park Collegiate receive a SCIP grant of \$2,000.

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

CARRIED

12. PUBLIC FORUM

Mr. Frank Restall, President of the Louis Riel Teachers’ Association:

- Applauded the appointment of Mr. Marc Poirier as Principal of École Sage Creek School
- Commented on the reorganization of École Henri-Bergeron and École Provencher
- Hoped that the transition would be as smooth as in the past reorganizations that have taken place

13. ADJOURN

13.1 Adjournment of Meeting

96/2015 THAT the meeting be adjourned.

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

CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 9:16 PM

Chairperson

Secretary-Treasurer