

**MINUTES OF THE  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE LOUIS RIEL SCHOOL BOARD  
Tuesday, October 07, 2014 (7:00 PM)**

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

**ROLL CALL**

**UPON THE ROLL BEING CALLED, THE FOLLOWING WERE PRESENT:**

**SCHOOL BOARD TRUSTEES:**

Hugh Coburn	Chairperson
Louise Johnston	Vice-Chairperson
Gary Gervais	Trustee
Sandy Nemeth	Trustee
Colleen Mayer	Trustee
Tom Parker	Trustee
Dave Richardson	Trustee
Chris Sigurdson	Trustee

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:**

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

**REGRETS:**

Wayne Ruff	Trustee
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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 7:07 p.m.

**A) WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**

**B) 1.1 Welcome**

The Chair welcomed everyone in attendance.

## **C) GOOD NEWS**

### **1.2 Good News shared by the Superintendent of Schools**

Superintendent Duane Brothers shared that:

- 24 students from Lavallee School, St. George School, Victor H. L. Wyatt School and Victor Mager School will participate in the CANU program at the University of Manitoba over a period of ten weeks. Once a week students will have access to programs consisting of sport, nutrition and education components. University students will provide as great mentors and role models, and will expose the students to the possibility of post-secondary education.
- The Annual Report is in its final editing stages and will be updated on a regular basis. The report will be uploaded on our website and will provide hyperlinks giving background information, and provide evidence of programs.
- The Leadership Council held their annual conference on October 6 and 7, 2014. This event was a huge success, and confirmed that we are a strong team. Mr. Brothers asked his Superintendent's team to share one or two of their two-day session highlights. Many referred to the keynote speaker Mr. Kevin Lamoureux.

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

### **2.1 Approval of Agenda - October 7, 2014**

218/2014 THAT the October 7, 2014 agenda be approved.

*Trustee (Louise Johnston) Moved, Trustee (Dave Richardson) Seconded to approve the motion.*

CARRIED

### **2.2 Approval of Minutes of Regular Board Meeting - September 23, 2014**

219/2014 THAT the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held September 23, 2014 be approved.

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

CARRIED

## **3. APPOINTMENT OF BOARD MEETING MONITOR**

### **3.1 Appointment of Board Meeting Monitor**

220/2014 THAT Trustee Louise Johnston be appointed as Board Meeting Monitor.

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

CARRIED

## **4. CHAIR'S REPORT**

### **4.1 Chair's Report for October 7, 2014**

1. The three School Board Committees are actively working and will obviously have new members after the election.
  - a) Reminder that each committee must establish their plans for the December 2<sup>nd</sup> Board meeting.
2. We have been approached by the Federal Government who would like to send a representative to make a presentation on cyber-bullying. We look forward to seeing information on this very important issue.
3. We make note of the popular growth of e-cigarettes in our society and we look forward to receiving an update on directions to schools on this matter.
4. It is good news that the Negotiations Committee met with Louis Riel Teachers' Association and we look forward to the negotiations process to begin in the near future.

## **5. COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS**

### **A. COMMUNITY INPUT**

#### **5.1 Donation of iPad Minis from Rebecca Kuik**

J. H. Bruns Collegiate student Rebecca Kuik made a presentation to the School Board regarding her fundraising efforts in honour of her autistic sister Paige. Team Paige held a golf tournament this past summer and raised over \$14,000. With the funds Rebecca purchased and presented to the School Board with 21 iPad Minis to be used in the Louis Riel School Division to assist students with learning disabilities.

221/2014 THAT the donation of iPad minis to the Louis Riel School Division by Rebecca Kuik be received with thanks.

*Trustee (Dave Richardson) Moved, Trustee (Gary Gervais) Seconded to approve the motion.*

CARRIED

#### **5.2 Newcomer Youth Education Support Services 2014 Summer Enrichment Program**

Mr. Peter Koroma, Mrs. Karen Koroma, and Mr. Strini Reddy made a presentation to the School Board to thank them and the Louis Riel Teachers' Association for their support to the Newcomer Youth Education Support Services 2014 Summer Enrichment Program. A video of the 100 students from Louis Riel School Division who participated in the summer program expressed their appreciation of the experience.

222/2014 THAT the presentation regarding Newcomer Youth Education Support Services 2014 Summer Enrichment Program by Mr. and Mrs. Koroma, and Mr. Reddy be received as information.

*Trustee (Chris Sigurdson) Moved, Trustee (Tom Parker) Seconded to approve the motion.*

CARRIED

### **B) COMMITTEE REPORT**

## **6. OUTCOMES PROGRESS REPORTS**

### **A) SUPERINTENDENT**

#### **7. INFORMATION: EL # 1.8**

##### **A) COMMUNICATION AND SUPPORT TO SCHOOL BOARD**

###### **7.1 E-Cigarettes**

223/2014 THAT the Superintendent's verbal report regarding E-cigarettes be received as information.

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

CARRIED

###### **7.2 Pan Canadian Assessment Program 2013**

224/2014 THAT the Superintendent's verbal report regarding the Pan Canadian Assessment Program (PCAP 2013) be received as information.

*Trustee (Colleen Mayer) Moved, Trustee (Dave Richardson) Seconded to approve the motion.*

CARRIED

## **8. BOARD EDUCATION**

**9. BOARD POLICY REVIEW**  
**A) GOVERNANCE PROCESS**

**B) BOARD-MANAGEMENT RELATIONSHIP**

**C) EXECUTIVE LIMITATIONS**

**D) OUTCOMES**

**10. BOARD CONSENT AGENDA**

**A) CORRESPONDENCE**

**10.1 School Board Correspondence**

225/2014 THAT the School Board correspondence be received as information.

**1. MANITOBA SCHOOL BOARD ASSOCIATION**

**General Correspondence:**

- a) **(Page 1)** Safe Schools Manitoba – Bullying Prevention – Everyone’s Responsibility;
- b) **(Page 2)** The Ken Spencer Award for Innovation information;
- c) **(Page 3)** Ebulletin dated September 24, 2014;
- d) **(Page 4)** The Manitoba Safe and Caring Schools Conference on February 9, 2015;
- e) **(Page 6)** Guide for Submitting a Youth Project to the One for Youth Regional Committees;
- f) **(Page 13)** MERN Fall Forum 2014;
- g) **(Page 15)** Memorandum dated October 1, 2014 from Ms. Heather Demetriooff regarding Reduced Speed in School Zones By-Law Template;
- h) **(Page 19)** African Grandmothers Tribunal Film Evening on October 16, 2014;

**4. OTHER**

- a) **(Page 1)** Thank you letter from Callum Granger for the Louis Riel School Division French Scholarship;
- b) **(Page 2)** Thank you letter from Ian Favreau for the Partner in Education Scholarship for Red River College Award;
- c) **(Page 3)** Thank you card from Keith A. Schille for the Governor General’s Award for Glenlawn Collegiate and the Louis Riel School Division Legacy Scholarship;
- d) **(Page 5)** Thank you card from Charlemagne Sanderson for the Louis Riel School Division Basic French Scholarship;
- e) **(Page 6)** Letter dated September 24, 2014 from Trustees Hugh Coburn and Tom Parker to all participants at the Sage Creek School presentation on September 16, 2014;
- f) **(Page 7)** Invitation to the Louis Riel School Division in Harmony with United Way Choral Celebration 2014 Gala Concert on October 16, 2014;
- g) **(Page 9)** Letter dated September 30, 2014 from Ms. Lucille Bruce regarding health and environmental concerns;
- h) **(Page 12)** Thank you card from Mr. Ken Bartel, Ms. Sandra Sawtzky and Mr. Matt Render for the Windsor School Community Initiatives Partnership grant;

*Trustee (Louise Johnston) Moved, Trustee (Sandy Nemeth) Seconded to approve the motion.*

**CARRIED**

## **11. FINANCE AND AUDIT**

### **11.1 Finance and Audit Committee Meeting Notes of October 2, 2014**

226/2014 THAT the Notes from the October 2, 2014 Finance & Audit Committee Meeting be received as information, and;  
THAT \$670,813 of the accumulated operating fund surplus as at June 30, 2014 be designated to address amounts budgeted for but not expended by June 30, 2014, and \$189,456 be designated to continue addressing expenditures related to the provincial K – 3 Class Size initiative related to furnishings, supplies, and minor capital expenditures.  
*Trustee (Chris Sigurdson) Moved, Trustee (Sandy Nemeth) Seconded to approve the motion.*

CARRIED

## **12. OTHER BOARD JOBS**

### **12.1 Standing Committees Budgets and Timelines**

227/2014 THAT the three Standing Committees establish their plans for the December 2, 2014 Board meeting.

*Trustee (Dave Richardson) Moved, Trustee (Colleen Mayer) Seconded to approve the motion.*

CARRIED

### **12.2 Religious Exercises - École Julie-Riel**

228/2014 THAT in conformity with article 84(8) of the Public Schools Act, the petition from the parents of École Julie-Riel be received and that religious exercises be permitted for the 2014-2015 school year.

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

CARRIED

### **12.3 School Community Initiatives Partnership Application - Dakota Collegiate**

229/2014 THAT the School Community Partnership application regarding Dakota Collegiate "Dakota Evening for Seniors and Black & Gold Children's Christmas Party" be approved, and;  
THAT Dakota Collegiate receive a SCIP grant of \$2,000.

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

CARRIED

### **12.4 Off-School Site Application: Collège Jeanne-Sauvé - Costa Rica**

230/2014 THAT the Off-School Site request from Collège Jeanne-Sauvé to have students travel to Costa Rica in February 2016 be approved at no cost to the Board.

*Trustee (Dave Richardson) Moved, Trustee (Louise Johnston) Seconded to approve the motion.*

CARRIED

### **12.5 Amendment to Procedural By-Laws of the Louis Riel School Board - First Reading**

231/2014 THAT the amended Procedural By-Laws of the Louis Riel School Board receive first reading.

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

CARRIED

**12.6 School Board's Important Upcoming Dates for October and November 2014**

232/2014 THAT the School Board's important upcoming dates for October and November 2014 be received as information.

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

CARRIED

**13. PUBLIC FORUM**

Thanks to the presentations by Rebecca Kuik and Peter and Karen Koroma, Mr. Frank Restall, President of the Louis Riel Teachers' Association, agreed with Trustee Tom Parker that the October 7, 2014 was the most uplifting Board Meeting of the past five years.

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

**15. ADJOURN**

15.1 Adjournment of Meeting

233/2014 THAT the Meeting be adjourned.

*Trustee (Tom Parker) Moved, Trustee (Gary Gervais) Seconded to approve the motion.*

CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 8:38 PM

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Chairperson

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Secretary-Treasurer