

**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE LOUIS RIEL SCHOOL BOARD
Tuesday, October 11, 2011 (7:30 PM)**

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

ROLL CALL

UPON THE ROLL BEING CALLED, THE FOLLOWING WERE PRESENT:

BOARD TRUSTEES:

Gary Gervais	Chair
Hugh Coburn	Vice-Chair
Louise Johnston	Trustee
Sandy Nemeth	Trustee
Tom Parker	Trustee
Wayne Ruff	Trustee
Dave Richardson	Trustee
Chris Sigurdson	Trustee

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

Terry D. Borys	Superintendent of Schools & CEO
Brad Fulton	Secretary-Treasurer
Lisa Aitken	Director of Human Resources
Patricia Burgoyne	Assistant Superintendent
Linda Chernenkoff	Assistant Superintendent
Neill Johnson	Assistant Superintendent
Christian Michalik	Assistant Superintendent
Pat Trottier	Board Recording Secretary

Meeting No.: 20

A. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:33 p.m.

B. APPROVAL OF AGENDA & CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

1. Approval of Agenda: October 11, 2011

591/2011 THAT the agenda for the October 11, 2011 Regular Board Meeting be approved.
Trustee (Louise Johnston) Moved, Trustee (Dave Richardson) Seconded to approve the motion.

CARRIED

2. Approval of Minutes of Regular Board Meeting: September 20, 2011

592/2011 THAT the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held September 20, 2011 be approved.
Trustee (Wayne Ruff) Moved, Trustee (Chris Sigurdson) Seconded to approve the motion.

CARRIED

C. RECEIVING OF DELEGATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

1. Presentation: School Community Initiative Partnership Grant to Nelson McIntyre Collegiate

Trustee Louise Johnston presented a School Community Initiative Partnership Grant to Principal Ray Houssin and Parent Advisory Committee member Janet Kost for the Nelson McIntyre Collegiate Seniors' Matinee Musical "You're a Good Man Charlie Brown".

D. RECEIVING OF SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS

1. Superintendent's Notebook: Welcome Back to Learning in LRSD

593/2011 THAT the Superintendent's Notebook for October 2011 be received as information.
Trustee (Louise Johnston) Moved, Trustee (Tom Parker) Seconded to approve the motion.

CARRIED

2. Interdivisional Student Services Program: September 2011 Report

594/2011 THAT the Superintendent's Report on the Interdivisional Student Services Program - September 2011 in partnership with Manitoba Education, St. Boniface General Hospital and Louis Riel School Division be received as information.

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

CARRIED

3. Save Our Seine/Adopt a River Project

595/2011 THAT the Superintendent's Report on the "Save our Seine / Adopt a River Project" be received as information.

Trustee (Wayne Ruff) Moved, Trustee (Dave Richardson) Seconded to approve the motion.

CARRIED

4. Middle Years Assessment 2010-2011 Summary Results

596/2011 THAT the Superintendent's Report regarding the Middle Years Assessment 2010-2011 Summary Results be received as information.

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

CARRIED

5. Youth Health Survey 2012

597/2011 THAT three high schools be permitted to take part in the Youth Health Survey 2012 pilot study, involving 12 students per school, and;

THAT, all students in Grade 7 to 12 participate in the survey in the fall of 2012.

Trustee (Hugh Coburn) Moved, Trustee (Louise Johnston) Seconded to approve the motion.

CARRIED

6. Louis Riel in Japan

598/2011 THAT the “Louis Riel in Japan 2012” Study Trip to Meitoku Gijuku in Susaki City, Japan from January 30, 2012 to April 5, 2012 be approved.

Trustee (Wayne Ruff) Moved, Trustee (Dave Richardson) Seconded to approve the motion.

CARRIED

7. Annual Conference of the Leadership Council

599/2011 That the Superintendent’s Report on the Annual Conference plan for the Leadership Council be received as information.

Trustee (Louise Johnston) Moved, Trustee (Tom Parker) Seconded to approve the motion.

CARRIED

E. RECEIVING OF CORRESPONDENCE - ACTION

1. Correspondence from Mr. J. Lizotte regarding Transportation

600/2011 THAT the email dated September 21, 2011 from Mr. Jean Lizotte regarding school transportation be received as information, and;
THAT the Chair respond.

Trustee (Wayne Ruff) Moved, Trustee (Hugh Coburn) Seconded to approve the motion.

CARRIED

2. Correspondence from Mr. and Mrs. A. Buhler, Mr. D. Nanka and Mr. and Mrs. K. Pearase regarding Diversity Policy

601/2011 THAT the email dated September 26, 2011 from Andrew and Robyn Buhler, Darryl Nanka, and Ken and Brianne Pearase regarding Draft Policy AC-1: Respect for Human Diversity - Sexual Orientation and Gender Diversity be received as information, and;
THAT the Chair respond.

Trustee (Dave Richardson) Moved, Trustee (Chris Sigurdson) Seconded to approve the motion.

CARRIED

3. Correspondence from Ms. R. Buhler regarding Diversity Policy

602/2011 THAT the letter dated September 27, 2011 from Ms. Ruth Buhler regarding Draft Policy AC-1: Respect for Human Diversity - Sexual Orientation and Gender Diversity be received as information, and;
THAT the Chair respond.

Trustee (Wayne Ruff) Moved, Trustee (Dave Richardson) Seconded to approve the motion.

CARRIED

4. Correspondence from Ms. N. Kruse regarding Manitoba Association of Parent Councils

603/2011 THAT the letter dated September 20, 2011 from Ms. Naomi Kruse regarding Manitoba Association of Parent Councils (MAPC) Trusteeship for 2011-2012 be received as information, and;
THAT the Board pay the fee for its forty schools for the 2011-2012 school year, and;
THAT the topic be referred to the Education Committee.

Trustee (Louise Johnston) Moved, Trustee (Hugh Coburn) Seconded to approve the motion.

CARRIED

5. Correspondence from Ms. J. Mercier regarding Winnipeg Music Festival

604/2011 THAT the letter dated August 24, 2011 from Joanne Mercier regarding the 94th Winnipeg Music Festival be received as information, and;
THAT the Board donate \$500 to the Winnipeg Music Festival.

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

CARRIED

6. Correspondence from Mr. R. Lussier regarding Teachers' Discretionary Grant Program

605/2011 THAT the letter dated September 23, 2011 from Mr. Richard Lussier of the Winnipeg Foundation regarding the Teachers' Discretionary Grant Program be received as information, and;

THAT the Chair write to the Foundation to express the Board's appreciation.

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

CARRIED

7. Correspondence from Ms. L. Formela regarding Schools of Choice

606/2011 THAT the email request dated September 29, 2011 from Ms. Lydia Formela of Petersfield, Manitoba regarding her children be denied, and;

THAT the Chair respond.

Trustee (Wayne Ruff) Moved, Trustee (Chris Sigurdson) Seconded to approve the motion.

CARRIED

8. LRSD in harmony with United Way Invitation

607/2011 THAT the invitation to the LRSD in harmony with United Way on October 13, 2011 be received as information, and;

THAT Trustees interested in attending register with Ms. Pat Trottier, Board Secretary.

Trustee (Hugh Coburn) Moved, Trustee (Louise Johnston) Seconded to approve the motion.

CARRIED

9. Correspondence from Ms. S. Desrochers regarding Transportation for Practical Arts

608/2011 That the email dated October 6, 2011 from Ms. Shannon Desrochers regarding transportation and Practical Arts be received as information, and;

THAT the Chair respond.

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

CARRIED

10. Correspondence from Mr. D. Altieri regarding Respect In School (RIS)

609/2011 THAT the letter dated October 6, 2011 from Mr. Dino Altieri regarding Respect In School (RIS) be received as information, and;

THAT Trustee Coburn and Trustee Ruff attend an information session on October 25, 2011.

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

CARRIED

11. Correspondence from Dakota Collegiate regarding Academic Awards Night

610/2011 THAT the invitation dated October 6, 2011 from Dakota Collegiate regarding the Grades 9, 10, and 11 Academic Awards Night be received as information, and;
THAT Trustees interested in attending register with Ms. Pat Trottier, Board Secretary.

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

CARRIED

12. Correspondence from Ms. J. Gevers regarding Transportation for Practical Arts

611/2011 THAT the email dated October 8, 2011 from Ms. Joy Gevers regarding transportation and Practical Arts be received as information, and;
THAT the Chair respond.

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

CARRIED

13. Correspondence from Ms. T. Cournoyer regarding Transportation for Mandatory Classes

612/2011 THAT the email dated October 6, 2011 from Ms. Tracy Cournoyer regarding transportation for mandatory classes be received as information, and;
THAT the Chair respond.

Trustee (Wayne Ruff) Moved, Trustee (Chris Sigurdson) Seconded to approve the motion.

CARRIED

14. Correspondence from Ms. C. McGurry regarding Kindergarten

613/2011 THAT the email dated September 28, 2011 from Ms. Coleen McGurry regarding full-time Kindergarten be received as information, and;
THAT the Chair respond.

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

CARRIED

E. RECEIVING OF CORRESPONDENCE - INFORMATION

1. Correspondence Information: Manitoba School Boards Association

614/2011 THAT the following correspondence from Manitoba School Boards Association be received as information:

Labour Relations:

- a) (Page 1) Salary Bulletin dated September 21, 2011 regarding Border Land School Division and Border Land Teachers' Association Agreement-In-Committee;
- b) (Page 2) Memorandum dated September 21, 2011 regarding UPDATE CPI, Unemployment Rate, Regional Trends;
- c) (Page 5) Collective Bargaining Update – September 23, 2011;
- d) (Page 7) Collective Bargaining Update – September 30, 2011;

Media Reports:

- a) (Page 1) Newspaper clippings for September 14, 2011 to September 21, 2011;
- b) (Page 21) Newspaper clippings for September 22, 2011 to October 5, 2011;

General Correspondence:

- a) (Page 1) Get in the Zone – School Safety Zones from CAA;
- b) (Page 3) Aboriginal Literacy Symposium 2011;

- c) (Page 4) Letter dated September 14, 2011 from Robert Rivard regarding first-rate 2011 CSBA Congress;
- d) (Page 5) Twitter Highlights for September 15, 2011 to September 21, 2011;
- e) (Page 12) E-Bulletin dated September 21, 2011;
- f) (Page 13) Canadian Education Association's information regarding the Ken Spencer Award;
- g) (Page 14) Initiatives in Aboriginal Education survey results - 2011;
- h) (Page 60) Twitter Highlights for September 21, 2011 to September 28, 2011;
- i) (Page 65) Memorandum dated September 29, 2011 from Carolyn Duhamel regarding the distribution of School Board Trustee Handbook (Handbook is a separate attachment in MSBA correspondence)
- j) (Page 66) Bulletin from Royal Sun Alliance and MSBA Risk Management;
- k) (Page 67) Executive Highlights dated October 3, 2011;
- l) (Page 68) Memorandum dated October 5, 2011 from Heather Demetriooff regarding Call for Workshop and Student Entertainment Proposals – MSBA 2012 Convention;

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

CARRIED

2. Correspondence Information: Manitoba Public Schools Finance Board

615/2011 THAT the following correspondence from the Manitoba Public Schools Finance Board be received as information:

- a) (Page 1) Letter dated September 9, 2011 from Mr. George Marchildon regarding Collège Béliveau mechanical upgrade;
- b) (Page 2) Letter dated September 14, 2011 from Mr. Jean Suszko and Mr. Rick Dedi regarding Nordale School gymnasium addition;
- c) (Page 3) Letter dated September 14, 2011 from Mr. Jean Suszko and Mr. Rick Dedi regarding Ecole Howden gymnasium addition;
- d) (Page 4) Letter dated September 26, 2011 from Ms. Lynne Mavins regarding the Fiber Optic Network Reserve; e) (Page 5) Letter dated September 28, 2011 from Mr. Jean Suszko and Mr. Rick Dedi regarding Dakota Collegiate gymnasium addition;

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

CARRIED

3. Correspondence Information: OTHER

616/2011 THAT the OTHER correspondence be received as information:

- a) (Page 1) Evergreen School Division Press Release regarding Chair and Vice-Chair appointments;
- b) (Page 2) Memorandum dated September 9, 2011 regarding the MERN Journal (Volume 4) (separate attachment in OTHER Correspondence);
- c) (Page 3) Thank you card from Karen and Floyd Wiebe;
- d) (Page 5) Memorandum dated September 14, 2011 from Terry Borys regarding the Louis Riel School Division Chair and Vice-Chair of the Board appointments;
- e) (Page 6) Letter dated September 19, 2011 from Brian O'Leary regarding Seven Oaks School Division participation with Egale Canada;
- f) (Page 7) Letter dated September 21, 2011 from Gary Gervais, Chair of the Board to Mr. and Mrs. Cress regarding class size;
- g) (Page 8) Letter dated September 21, 2011 from Gary Gervais, Chair of the Board to Ms. Nancy Cooke regarding class size;

- h) (Page 9) Letter dated September 21, 2011 from Gary Gervais, Chair of the Board to Ms. Stena Edel regarding class size;
- i) (Page 10) Letter dated September 23, 2011 from Terry Borys, Superintendent of Schools & CEO regarding the creation of a new bilingual primary care and health promotion service to youth in Saint-Boniface;
- j) (Page 11) Memorandum dated September 26, 2011 from Dennis Pottage regarding the River East Transcona School Division Chair and Vice-Chair Board appointments;
- k) (Page 12) Letter dated September 26, 2011 from Gary Gervais, Chair of the Board to Mr. and Mrs. R. Van Gerwen regarding their presentation to the School Board;
- l) (Page 18) Letter dated September 26, 2011 from Gary Gervais, Chair of the Board to the Honourable Nancy Allan regarding the City of Winnipeg's Frontage Levy Tax;
- m) (Page 20) Letter dated September 26, 2011 from Gary Gervais, Chair of the Board to Ms. Lazowski regarding transportation;
- n) (Page 22) September 2011 Rielity Check

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

CARRIED

F. RECEIVING OF COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Committee of the Whole Meeting of September 27, 2011

617/2011 THAT the Notes from the Committee of the Whole Meeting of September 27, 2011 be received as information.

Trustee (Wayne Ruff) Moved, Trustee (Sandy Nemeth) Seconded to approve the motion.

CARRIED

2. Finance & Audit Committee Notes for October 2011

618/2011 THAT the Notes from the October 11, 2011 Finance & Audit Committee Meeting be received as information, and;
 THAT \$938,373 of the accumulated operating fund surplus as at June 30, 2011 be designated to address amounts budgeted for but not expended by June 30, 2011.

Trustee (Wayne Ruff) Moved, Trustee (Sandy Nemeth) Seconded to approve the motion.

CARRIED

G. NEW BUSINESS

1. National School Boards Association's Conference Report (Trustee Sigurdson)

619/2011 THAT the verbal report by Trustee Sigurdson regarding the National School Boards Association's Conference be received as information.

Trustee (Louise Johnston) Moved, Trustee (Tom Parker) Seconded to approve the motion.

CARRIED

2. 2011 CUBE Issues Seminar Report (Trustee Sigurdson)

620/2011 THAT the verbal report by Trustee Sigurdson regarding the 2011 CUBE Issues Seminar be received as information.

Trustee (Hugh Coburn) Moved, Trustee (Louise Johnston) Seconded to approve the motion.

CARRIED

3. School Community Initiatives Partnership: Dakota Collegiate

621/2011 THAT the School Community Initiatives Partnership Application regarding the Dakota Collegiate Seniors' Evening and the Black & Gold Children's Christmas Party be approved, and;
THAT Dakota Collegiate receive a grant of \$2,000.

Trustee (Wayne Ruff) Moved, Trustee (Chris Sigurdson) Seconded to approve the motion.

CARRIED

4. School Community Initiatives Partnership: Arts & Technology Centre

622/2011 THAT the School Community Initiatives Partnership Application regarding the Louis Riel Arts & Technology Centre's Annual Seniors Dinner be approved, and;
THAT Louis Riel Arts & Technology Centre receive a grant of \$2,000.

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

CARRIED

5. Board Office December 2011 Closure

623/2011 THAT the Louis Riel School Board Office, Maintenance Shop, and Audio Visual Department (CUPE 4642 custodial Trustees excluded) remain closed on December 23, 28, 29, and 30, 2011, and;
THAT employees bank time or use accrued vacation credits for the four working days.

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

CARRIED

6. Letters of Congratulations to LRSD MLA Representatives

624/2011 THAT the Chair write to the following MLA representatives from the Louis Riel School Division to congratulate them on their recent re-elections to serve the Province of Manitoba: Nancy Allan (St. Vital), Bidhu Jha (Radisson), Christine Melnick (Riel), Theresa Oswald (Seine River), Erin Selby (Southdale), and Greg Selinger (St. Boniface).

Trustee (Chris Sigurdson) Moved, Trustee (Hugh Coburn) Seconded to approve the motion.

CARRIED

7. Off-School Site Application: Collège Jeanne-Sauvé - Chicago City

625/2011 THAT the off-school site program request from the Collège Jeanne-Sauvé to have their male hockey team participate in the Chicago Midwinter Classic in Chicago, Illinois January 14-16, 2012 be approved at no cost to the Board.

Trustee (Wayne Ruff) Moved, Trustee (Chris Sigurdson) Seconded to approve the motion.

CARRIED

8. Off-School Site Application: J. H. Bruns Collegiate - Paris, France

626/2011 THAT the off-school site program request from the J. H. Bruns Collegiate to have Grade 11 and 12 Basic French students travel to Paris, France in 2013 be approved at no cost to the Board.

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

CARRIED

9. Off-School Site Application: Dakota Collegiate - Dallas, Texas

627/2011 THAT the off-school site program request from the Dakota Collegiate hockey team to participate in the Boys Hockey Tournament in Dallas, Texas January 12-17, 2012 be approved at no cost to the Board.

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

CARRIED

10. Off-School Site Application: Windsor Park Collegiate - Italy, France and Spain

628/2011 THAT the off-school site program request from Windsor Park Collegiate to have students travel to Italy, France and Spain March 21 - 30, 2012 be approved at no cost to the Board.

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

CARRIED

11. Off-School Site Application: Collège Jeanne-Sauvé - Grand Forks and Fargo, North Dakota

629/2011 THAT the off-school site program request from the Collège Jeanne-Sauvé to have band students travel to Grand Forks and Fargo, North Dakota April 26 - 28, 2012 be approved at no cost to the Board.

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

CARRIED

H. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. National Gay Straight Alliance Summit in 2015

630/2011 THAT the invitation dated July 29, 2011 from Ms. Helen Kennedy, EGALE Canada, inviting the Louis Riel School Division to join in a partnership with the Seven Oaks School Division and the Winnipeg School Division for the National Gay Straight Alliance Summit in 2015 be approved; and THAT the Chair write to Ms. Helen Kennedy regarding the Division's interest in this partnership.

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

CARRIED

2. Parent Consultation on November 29, 2011

631/2011 THAT the agenda for the Parent Consultation for November 29, 2011 include "Diversity in LRSD" and that three parents from each school be invited to attend.

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

CARRIED

3. Education Committee Topics

632/2011 THAT the following topics be referred to the Board's Standing Committee on Education: All-Year Schooling, Summer Enrichment Learning Program, and Parent Involvement in Schools.

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

CARRIED

4. Policy Committee Topics

633/2011 That the following topics be referred to the Board’s Standing Committee on Policy: Non-Union Salaries, Use of Bottled Water in LRSD, and Equity in Hiring.

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

CARRIED

5. Committee of the Whole Topics

634/2011 THAT the following discussion topics be referred to the Committee of the Whole: Expulsions, Suspensions, and Alternative Programming; Hiring Processes for School Administrators; School Board Outreach; School Board Resolutions for MSBA Convention in March 2012; and International Student Program.

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

CARRIED

I. SUBMISSION OF ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION & NOTICE OF MOTION

J. PUBLIC FORUM

Frank Restall, President of the Louis Riel Teachers’ Association thanked the School Board and the Superintendent’s Team for their continued support to the Terry Fox Torchlight Run.

K. RECESS TO COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

1. Capital Reserve - Technology

635/2011 THAT the Chair write to the Director of the Schools Finance Branch requesting the establishment of a Technology Capital Reserve and;
THAT the Chair request a transfer of the balance of the ATC Reserve (cosmetology) to the newly established Technology Reserve.

Trustee (Tom Parker) Moved, Trustee (Wayne Ruff) Seconded to approve the motion.

CARRIED

2. Negotiations with the LRTA

636/2011 THAT the update on the negotiations with the Louis Riel Teachers’ Association be received as information.

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

CARRIED

L. ADJOURNMENT

1. Adjournment of Meeting

637/2011 THAT the Meeting be adjourned.

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

CARRIED

The Meeting ended at 9:48 PM

Chair of the Board

Secretary-Treasurer