

MINUTES OF THE

REGULAR MEETING OF THE LOUIS RIEL SCHOOL DIVISION BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Tuesday, September 3, 2024, 6:45 p.m.
50 Monterey Road, Winnipeg
Hybrid Meeting

BOARD MEMBERS: Chris Sigurdson, Chair
Darlene Gerrior, Vice-Chair
Pamela Kolochuk, Trustee
Sandy Nemeth, Trustee
Irene Nordheim, Trustee
Ryan Palmquist, Trustee
Chipalo Simunyola, Trustee
Cindy Turner, Trustee
Ian Walker, Trustee

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Christian Michalik, Superintendent & CEO
Jamie Rudnicki, Secretary-Treasurer & CFO
Jeff Anderson, Assistant Superintendent Policy, Planning & Research
Amarbeer Bhandari, Director of Facilities, Maintenance and Transportation, virtual
Chaimae Bouamira, Executive Assistant
Ron Cadez, Assistant Superintendent Student, Clinical, & Instructional Services
Darcy Cormack, Assistant Superintendent Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Services
Clarke Hagan, Director of Information Technology Services
Michelle Jean-Paul, Assistant Superintendent Staff Services
Corey Kapilik, Director of School and Classroom Supports, virtual
Deneen Madden, Executive Assistant
Lenore Polvorosa, Executive Assistant
Vannessa Ross, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer, virtual

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Sept. 3 Regular Board Meeting of the Louis Riel School Division (LRSD) Board of Trustees was called to order by Chris Sigurdson, Chair, LRSD Board of Trustees at 7:03 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES

2.1 Approval of Agenda for the Regular Board Meeting – Sept. 3, 2024

2024-007

Moved by Trustee Turner

Seconded by Trustee Walker

THAT the Sept. 3 agenda for the Regular Board Meeting be approved.

CARRIED

2.2 Approval of Minutes of the Special Board Meeting – June 25, 2024

As there were no changes, the June 25 minutes of the Special Board Meeting were accepted as distributed.

3. LRSD NEWS

3.1 Welcome from the Chair and News from the Board of Trustees Provided by Trustee Gerrior

Trustee Gerrior welcomed everyone to a new school year and highlighted the following:

- The Canadian School Board Congress and National Trustee Gathering on Indigenous Education in Toronto.
- Summer Learning Academy, Academic Summer Learning (Summer School) and Special Interest Middle Years Camp at Glenlawn Collegiate.
- ASPIRE (Academic Summer Program Including Recreation and Education) site, at École Julie-Riel
- Leadership Network Meeting
- Tour of Collège Jeanne-Sauvé with Ministers Cable and Moses

3.2 Welcome from the Superintendent and News from Senior Leadership Team (SLT) Provided by Assistant Superintendent Cormack

Superintendent Michalik welcomed everyone joining the board meeting in person, online, and those engaging with the livestream.

Assistant Superintendent Cormack highlighted summer camp, summer learning, and the International Student Program.

4. PRESENTATIONS TO THE BOARD

4.1 Board Presentations for 2024-2025

Trustees considered ideas for presentations to the Board in the upcoming school year.

5. BOARD EDUCATION

5.1 Multi-Year Strategic Plan (MYSP) 2023-2027

Superintendent Michalik highlighted the Multi-Year Strategic Plan (MYSP) booklet and the accompanying posters (English/French).

6. FINANCE AND AUDIT

6.1 Statutory Declaration Secretary-Treasurer 2024-2025

2024-008

Moved by Trustee Nemeth

Seconded by Trustee Simunyola

THAT the Statutory Declaration made by Jamie Rudnicki, Secretary-Treasurer for the 2024-2025 school year, be accepted.

CARRIED

6.2 Five-Year Capital Plan for 2025-2026 to 2029-2030

Superintendent Michalik and Secretary-Treasurer Rudnicki shared the Five-Year Capital Plan for 2025-2026 to 2029-2030 submitted to the Education Funding Branch.

6.3 Capital D Projects

Superintendent Michalik and Secretary-Treasurer Rudnicki provided a report regarding capital improvements supported by the division for the 2024-2025 school year.

7. STAFFING

7.1 Staffing Update

Assistant Superintendent Jean-Paul shared a staffing update advising that, as of August 30, 2024, 539 positions were posted, and over 480 people hired, for the 2024/2025 school year.

7.2 Secondment - Divisional Vice-Principal of Indigenous Education

2024-009

Moved by Trustee Gerrior

Seconded by Trustee Kolochuk

THAT Bobbie-Jo Leclair, be seconded to the Government of Manitoba effective Sept. 3, 2024, to June 27, 2025.

CARRIED

7.3 Appointment - Divisional Vice-Principal of Indigenous Education

2024-010

Moved by Trustee Walker

Seconded by Trustee Turner

THAT having passed Motion 2024-009, Kelsey Lenaghan be appointed as Divisional Vice-Principal of Indigenous Education, for a one-year term, effective immediately to June 30, 2024.

CARRIED

8. CHAIR INFORMATION TO THE BOARD

8.1 National Trustees Gathering on Indigenous Education and Canadian School Boards Association (CSBA) Congress

Trustees Nemeth, Palmquist, and Gerrior shared highlights from the National Trustees Gathering on Indigenous Education and CSBA Congress held in July.

8.2 Canadian Congress of Black Parliamentarians

Trustee Simunyola shared highlights from the Canadian Congress of Black Parliamentarians held in August.

8.3 Recent Meetings with Ministers

Sandy Nemeth, Past Chair, shared that on Aug. 29, 2024, the following members of the provincial government met with representatives of the division to review urgent capital project requests:

- Nello Altomare, Minister of Early Childhood Education
- Renée Cable, Minister of Advanced Education and Training
- Sandy Nemeth, Chair of the Board
- Christian Michalik, Superintendent

Also, on, Aug. 29, the following ministers, trustees, and senior leadership colleagues toured the new addition and renovations at Collège Jeanne-Sauvé while reviewing urgent capital requests for J.H. Bruns Collegiate, Collège Béliveau, and Windsor Park Collegiate:

- Jamie Moses, Minister of Economic Development, Investment, Trade and Natural Resources
- Renée Cable, Minister of Advanced Education and Training
- Sandy Nemeth, Chair of the Board
- Chipalo Simunyola, Trustee
- Darlene Gerrior, Trustee
- Ian Walker, Trustee

- Ryan Palmquist, Trustee
- Christian Michalik, Superintendent
- Jeff Anderson, Assistant Superintendent
- Ron Cadez, Assistant Superintendent

9. SENIOR LEADERSHIP TEAM INFORMATION TO THE BOARD

9.1 Capital Project Updates for July and August 2024

Superintendent Michalik and members of the SLT provided updates to capital projects completed, or near completion, over the summer months, including:

- École Howden classroom refresh and student services office construction
- École Provencher installation of safety bars on windows
- École Sage Creek Bonavista
- École Van Belleghem kindergarten classroom
- General Vanier School stairwell modification
- Highbury School multi-purpose room converted into a classroom
- Lavallee School parking lot renewal project
- New approach and site drainage issues to be addressed under Marion School elevator and envelope project due to deferred status of Marion School addition project
- Collège Jeanne-Sauvé site development work
- École Marie-Anne-Gaboury washroom refresh
- Island Lakes Community School (ILCS) modular unit project a relocation of modular units from École St. Germain to ILCS
- ILCS library reconfiguration and additional washrooms
- J.H. Bruns Collegiate (JHBC) roof reinforcement project
- JHBC north wall repair
- Shamrock School classroom renovation and additional locker installation

9.2 Back to School Update from Manitoba Education and Early Childhood Learning (MEECL) Framework for Learning

Superintendent Michalik shared highlights from the updates provided by MEECL on Thursday, Aug. 22.

9.3 Leadership Meeting - Aug. 27, 2024

Superintendent Michalik shared highlights from the Aug. 27 meeting with the Leadership Team.

9.4 Teachers New to LRSD Professional Learning Aug. 29, 2024

Superintendent Michalik shared the highlights from the day of learning held on Aug. 29 with teachers new to the division.

9.5 Student Accident Semi-Annual Report

Secretary-Treasurer Rudnicki shared a report regarding student accidents that occurred from Jan. 1, 2024, to June 30, 2024.

9.6 Annual Environmental Liability Report

Secretary-Treasurer Rudnicki provided the Environmental Liability Report.

10. POLICY

10.1 Policy Review Committee Update - Ratification of Amendments

2024-011

Moved by Trustee Turner

Seconded by Trustee Simunyola

THAT the following list of policies be amended:

- Policy JLCD - Administering Medicines to Students (Administration of Prescription or Over-The-Counter Medication) and new administrative protocol.
- Policy JLCE-1 - First Aid and Emergency Medical Care (Administration of Urgently Required Medication/Treatment) and new administrative protocol
- Policy JLCE-2 - Anaphylaxis and revised administrative protocol

CARRIED

10.2 Policy Review Committee Update - First Reading Policy GBEF/JICJ

2024-012

Moved by Trustee Kolochuk

Seconded by Trustee Walker

THAT Policy GBEF/JICJ - Use of Cell Phones in Schools - reviewed by the Policy review Committee receive first reading and be further reviewed in committee, and brought back for second, and third reading at a future date.

CARRIED

10.3 Policy Review Committee Update - Ratification of Amendments GCFA-GDFA

2024-013

Moved by Trustee Turner

Seconded by Trustee Kolochuk

THAT Policy GCFA-GDFA - Criminal Record Check & Child Abuse Registry Check: Teaching & Non-Teaching Staff- reviewed by the Policy Review Committee be amended.

CARRIED

11. CORRESPONDENCE

11.1 School Board Correspondence – Received

The following correspondence was received by the Board:

Manitoba Education and Early Childhood Learning (MEECL):

- (Page 1) Letter from A. Hawkins, Executive Director, RE: Train the Trainer: Supporting Appropriate Educational Programming in Schools (June 20, 2024)
- (Page 2) Letter from N. Altomare, Minister of Education and Early Childhood Learning, RE: After-school, Summer, and School Break Nutrition Grant (July 17, 2024)
- (Page 4) Letter from N. Altomare, Minister of Education and Early Childhood Learning, RE: Enhancing Guidelines for Cell Phone Use in Schools to Minimize Distractions and Support Student Learning and Safety (Aug. 15, 2024)

Education Funding Branch:

- (Page 6) RE: École Sage Creek/Bonavista – New K-8 French Immersion School Increased Total Project Authority (June 18, 2024)
- (Page 8) RE: J.H. Bruns Collegiate – 2 Science Lab Upgrades Project Deferred (July 5, 2024)
- (Page 9) RE: Windsor Park Collegiate – 2 Science Lab Upgrades Project Deferred (July 5, 2024)
- (Page 10) RE: Marion School – New Additional and Renovation Project Deferred (July 5, 2024)
- (Page 11) RE: École Marie-Anne Gaboury – Mechanical Systems Replacement Project Deferred (July 5, 2024)
- (Page 12) RE: Glenwood School – Elevator, Hygiene Room and Roof Replacement Project Deferred (July 5, 2024)
- (Page 13) RE: École Sage Creek/Bonavista – New K-8 French Immersion School Additional Project Support and Total Spending Limit (Aug. 19, 2024)

General:

- (Page 19) Email from I. Prokipchuk (June 18, 2024)
- (Page 21) Thank you note from TJ's Gift Foundation (July 2024)
- (Page 22) Thank you notes from 2024 recipients of bursary and scholarships at Dakota Collegiate Institute (July 2024)
- (Page 27) Thank you notes from Glenlawn Collegiate Institute students (July 2024)
- (Page 31) Thank you note from A. Kelln (July 2, 2024)

11.2 School Board Correspondence – Sent

The following will be accepted as correspondence sent by the Board:

- (Page 1) Email to I. Prokipchuk (June 18, 2024)

11.3 Manitoba School Boards Association (MSBA) Correspondence – Received

The following MSBA correspondence be received by the Board:

- (Page 1) 2024 Resolutions and Nominations Process; Regional Meetings (June 19, 2024)
- (Page 5) DEI Summit – Conference Poster 2024
- (Page 6) e-bulletin (June 19, 2024)

12. ACTION ITEMS

12.1 Bylaw 20242025-001 Religious Instruction - École Van Belleghem

2024-014

Moved by Trustee Kolochuk

Seconded by Trustee Simunyola

THAT Bylaw 20242025-001 being a bylaw to authorize the instruction of religion at École Van Belleghem during the 2024-2025 school year receive first reading, and brought back for second, and third reading at a future date.

CARRIED

13. PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

The following members of the public were in attendance and had the opportunity to ask questions for clarification from items on this evening's agenda:

- Jay McGurran, verified in-person
- Scott Wood, verified in-person

14. ADJOURNMENT

The Sept. 3 Regular Meeting adjourned at 9:27 p.m.

"Original signed by C. Sigurdson"

Chair

"Original signed by J. Rudnicki"

Secretary-Treasurer