

# MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE LOUIS RIEL SCHOOL BOARD 900 St. Mary's Road, Winnipeg Tuesday, September 5, 2017 (6:30 PM)

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

#### **ROLL CALL**

### UPON THE ROLL BEING CALLED, THE FOLLOWING WERE PRESENT

#### **BOARD MEMBERS:**

Louise Johnston	Trustee
Josie Landry	Trustee
Sandy Nemeth	Trustee
Robert Page	Trustee
Tom Parker	Trustee
Dave Richardson	Trustee
Chris Sigurdson	Trustee

#### **ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:**

**Duane Brothers** Superintendent of Schools Lisa Aitken **Assistant Superintendent** Marna Kenny Acting Secretary-Treasurer **Board Recording Secretary** Deneen Madden Christian Michalik **Assistant Superintendent** Marlene Murray **Assistant Superintendent** Irene Nordheim **Assistant Superintendent** Susan Potter **Administrative Assistant** 

**REGRETS:** Hugh Coburn Trustee

Cindy Turner Trustee

Brad Fulton Secretary-Treasurer

## **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 7:13 p.m.

## **Welcome and Introductions**

# 1.1 Welcome and Notification of Audio Recording

The Chairperson welcomed everyone in attendance, noting Trustee Hugh Coburn was not feeling well and left at the conclusion of the Inaugural Meeting. Chairperson Chris Sigurdson also acknowledged that the land on which we gather is Treaty One Territory and the traditional home of the Metis people. The Chairperson also notified them of the use of audio recording at Board meetings for accuracy.

# **Mission and Priorities**

#### 1.2 Mission and Priorities

The Chairperson read the Mission and Priorities.

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

- 2.1 Approval of Agenda September 5, 2017
- 2.2 Approval of Minutes of Regular Board Meeting June 20, 2017

#### **CHAIR'S GOOD NEWS**

## 3.1 Good News Shared by the Chairperson for September 5, 2017

- Chairperson Chris Sigurdson welcomed everyone back to a new school year. This will be
  a fantastic year! We are very excited about École Sage Creek School as well as all the
  other wonderful work happening within our school buildings including: École Guyot,
  Murray Field, École Marie-Anne-Gaboury, École Varennes, and Collège Jeanne-Sauvé.
  There is lots of work we are undertaking to make sure our buildings are all first class.
- We just received a proclamation from Mayor Bowman thanking us for becoming partners in the Winnipeg Indigenous Accord. That is exciting news!

## SUPERINTENDENT'S GOOD NEWS

## 4.1 Good News Shared by the Superintendent for September 5, 2017

Superintendent Duane Brothers advised that he was changing his good news as the topics would be discussed later in the meeting.

• My good news is the day I worked with staff at J. H. Bruns and then Lavelle School. Both of these school staffs are on fire! J. H. Bruns is diving into innovation and being creative and taking a look at inclusion in a big way. The conversation with Lavallee was different. They saw the TED Talks from Chimamanda (I forget her last name), a Nigerian poet and writer who talks about the danger of a single story. And that is the theme for staff at Lavallee School this year. They invited me to share my story this morning. Lavallee School is continuing to work around storytelling as a staff, recognizing that all their students and all their parents have individual stories. Through storytelling we can get to know each other better. Two different schools.

## **COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS**

**Community Input** 

**Committee Report** 

#### **EXECUTIVE LIMITATIONS PROGRESS REPORTS**

## 5.1 List of Presentations to the LRSD School Board for 2017 - 2018

A listing of presentations for the 2017-2018 school year, aligning to our Divisional Priorities was accepted as information.

Superintendent

**INFORMATION: EL # 1.8** 

**Communication and Support to School Board** 

6.1 École Sage Creek School Update

Chairperson Chris Sigurdson thanked Superintendent Duane Brothers for provided a verbal report regarding École Sage Creek School.

## **6.2 Murray Field Update**

Chairperson Chris Sigurdson thanked Superintendent Duane Brothers for provided a verbal report regarding Murray Field.

# 6.3 Improvements to École Varennes and École Marie-Anne-Gaboury

Chairperson Chris Sigurdson thanked Superintendent Duane Brothers for provided a report regarding École Varennes and École Marie-Anne-Gaboury.

## 6.4 Board Office December Holiday Closure

Chairperson Chris Sigurdson thanked Superintendent Duane Brothers for provided a report regarding the December Holiday Closure for the Board Office, Maginot Transportation Office, Monterey Maintenance Shop and Facilities Offices. The closures dates will be December 27, 28, 29, 2017.

#### **6.4 LRSD Banners**

Chairperson Chris Sigurdson thanked Superintendent Duane Brothers for provided a report regarding building banners.

#### **BOARD EDUCATION**

## 7.1 Board Education "the year at a glance"

Chairperson Chris Sigurdson thanked Superintendent Duane Brothers for provided a report regarding Board Education "the year at a glance".

#### **BOARD POLICY REVIEW**

**Governance Process** 

#### 8.1 GP: 1.2 LRSD Vision and Mission

Chairperson Chris Sigurdson thanked Superintendent Duane Brothers for provided a plan to review the LRSD Vision and Mission.

#### 8.1 GP: 1.3.1 Governance Plan

2017-011 THAT THE REVISED scheduling to the 2017-2018 Strategic Governance Plan be approved. Trustee (Dave Richardson) Moved, Trustee (Josie Landry) Seconded to approve the motion.

CARRIED

**Board-Management Relationship** 

**Executive Limitations** 

**Outcomes** 

## **BOARD CONSENT AGENDA**

Correspondence

## 9.1 School Board Correspondence

The following School Boards correspondence was received:

a)

#### 2. PUBLIC SCHOOLS FINANCE BOARD

- a) (Page 1) Letter dated June 21, 2017 from Angelo De Francesco and Konrad A. Erickson regarding École Van Belleghem – Relocation of two modular classrooms – Project Support;
- **b)** (Page 2) Letter dated June 21, 2017 from Angelo De Francesco regarding École Van Belleghem Relocation of two modular classrooms Furnishings Grant;
- c) (Page 3) Letter dated August 23, 2017 from Angelo De Francesco and Konrad A.
   Erickson regarding Hastings School Elevator and Grooming Room Renovations Design Authorization;
- d) (Page 14) Letter dated August 23, 2017 from Angelo De Francesco and Konrad A. Erickson regarding Minnetonka School – Grooming Room Renovation Project Authorization;
- e) (Page 22) Letter dated August 23, 2017 from Angelo De Francesco and Konrad A. Erickson regarding Highbury School – Grooming Room Renovation Project Authorization;

#### 3. OTHER

- a) (Page 1) Letter dated June 16, 2017 from Eric Marshall, MMEA Past-President, commending Victoria Ross for contributions to MMEA;
- **b)** (Page 2) Letter dated June 16, 2017 from Eric Marshall, MMEA Past-President, commending Karen Tole-Henderson for contributions to MMEA;
- c) (Page 3) Letter received June 20, 2017 from Ms. Naomi Kruse to Mr. Duane Brothers regarding membership registration with the Manitoba Association of Parent Councils (MAPC);
- **d)** (Page 9) Letter dated June 25, 2017 from Gayle Rakowski regarding a transportation request;
- e) (Page 11) Letter dated June 26, 2017 from Patricia Trottier regarding retirement;
- f) (Page 12) Thank you card received June 27, 2017 from Karen Wiebe in support of the past T.J. Wiebe Gala;
- **g)** (Page 13) Thank you card received June 27, 2017 from Denise Klassen regarding the June 8, 2017 Recognition Event;
- h) (Page 14) Thank you Letter dated June 28, 2017 from Hanna Buhr for receipt of scholarship;
- i) (Page 15) Thank you Letter dated July 3, 2017 from Kennedy Krakalovich for receipt of scholarship;
- j) (Page 16) Thank you card received August 21, 2107 from Ashley Heilmann for receipt of scholarship;
- k) (Page 17) Letter received August 28, 2017 from Brian Cameron inviting Trustees to the ATC Annual Seniors Dinner and to the ATC Graduation and Certificate Presenting Ceremony;
- (Page 18) Letter received August 28, 2017 from Ms. A. Chaudhry regarding Dakota Collegiate:
- **m)** (Page 21) Thank you letter received August 30, 2017 from Max Schreckenbach for receipt of scholarship;

## 9.2 Manitoba School Boards Association Correspondence

The following Manitoba School Boards Association correspondence was received:

#### **Labour Relations:**

a) (Page 1) Up-Date CPI, Unemployment Rate, Regional Trends dated June 23, 2017;

## **General Correspondence:**

- a) (Page 5) Letter dated June 20, 2017 from Ministers Scott Fielding and Ian Wishart regarding Continuity of Learning for Children in Care;
- **b)** (Page 7) Memorandum from Peter Bjornson of the University of Winnipeg regarding a new e-Newsletter;
- c) (Page 8) Program Information from Debra Jonasson-Young of the University of Toronto regarding Directors Education Program;
- d) (Page 11) Workshop and Facilitation bulletin received August 30, 2017;
- e) (Page 13) A Standards Framework for Effective and Efficient School Board Governance bulletin received August 30, 2017.

#### **FINANCE AND AUDIT**

## 10.1 Murray Field

2017-012

THAT the LRSD School Board approve the transfer of \$240,000 from surplus to the Murray Field project with the intention that the funds be reimbursed through future partnerships and revenues from the Murray Field project.

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

**CARRIED** 

#### **OTHER BOARD JOBS**

## 11.1 Statutory Declaration of the Secretary-Treasurer

2017-013

THAT the Statutory Declaration made by Secretary-Treasurer Brad Fulton, read by Superintendent Duane Brothers, be received.

Trustee (Robert Page) Moved, Trustee (Tom Parker) Seconded to approve the motion.

**CARRIED** 

### 11.2 LRSD Leadership Council Professional Learning

Chairperson Chris Sigurdson thanked Superintendent Duane Brothers for provided a verbal report regarding LRSD Leadership Council Professional Learning.

## 11.3 Letter received August 28, 2017

2017-014 THAT Chairperson Chris Sigurdson respond to the letter received August 28, 2017. Trustee (Louise Johnston) Moved, Trustee (Dave Richardson) Seconded to approve the motion.

**CARRIED** 

## **PUBLIC FORUM**

# 12.1 Floor is Open to the Public for Questions and/or Comments:

- Mr. Frank Restall, President of Louis Riel Teachers' Association:
  - Welcomed everyone back to a new school year. The start of the school year no matter what position you may be in in education is always exciting, probably though most exciting for the students, closely followed by the teachers, especially our new teachers.

- Thank you to Assistant Superintendent Marlene Murray and to Steve Lawrie. We have been working together for a number of years regarding the Special Needs initiative. A special needs initiative, properly implemented with all parties participating is putting the needs of students ahead of the needs of the system.
- Mr. Rodger Salm, an LRSD parent:
  - Thanked Trustee Nemeth for attending Chesterfield Housing where we had a grand opening of a seniors' complex.
  - Question to the Chair or maybe Duane: With regarding to the changes to the office at Ecole Marie-Anne-Gaboury, is there a possibility of a drop-off loop?
    - Duane: This has been a big conversation with the City of Winnipeg and it's not promising at this time. That is a good point.
    - Chairperson Chris Sigurdson added that we have been talking for a number of years in this regard. This is very difficult, given the geography and it is not just this location but other schools as well.
  - Regarding podcasts, will the Board set out an allowance, some are free, but some do cost?
    - Superintendent Duane Brothers: The ones that I listen (as well as the Board Chair) to quite a bit tend to be free and they're quite good. I'm thinking of CBC's Ideas, BBC's commentary, the New York Times' The Daily, are just a few, which are all free downloads through iTunes. I will be looking for diverse podcasts and welcome suggestions.
  - o Is the scoreboard at Murray Field digital?
    - Superintendent Duane Brothers: Yes.

## **Self-evaluation of Governance Process**

13.1 Adjournment of the Meeting

Adjourn

2017-015 Trustee (Tom Pa	THAT the Regular Meeting erker) Moved, Trustee (Dave F	be adjourned. Richardson) Seconded to approve the motion.	
The Regular Med	eting adjourned at 8:02 PM		CARRIED
"originals signe	ed by C. Sigurdson"	"originals signed by M. Kenny"	
Chairperson		Secretary-Treasurer	