



**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE LOUIS RIEL SCHOOL BOARD
900 St. Mary's Road, Winnipeg
Tuesday, November 6, 2018 (6:45 PM)**

The Meeting of the Louis Riel School Board was called to order by the Chair of the Board, Trustee Sandy Nemeth.

ROLL CALL

UPON THE ROLL BEING CALLED, THE FOLLOWING WERE PRESENT:

BOARD MEMBERS:	Sandy Nemeth	Chair
	Louise Johnston	Vice-Chair
	Pamela Kolochuk	Trustee
	Josie Landry	Trustee
	Robert Page	Trustee
	Tom Parker	Trustee
	Chris Sigurdson	Trustee
	Cindy Turner	Trustee
	Neil Vadeboncoeur	Trustee

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:	Christian Michalik	Acting Superintendent
	Marna Kenny	Secretary-Treasurer
	Lisa Aitken	Assistant Superintendent
	Clarke Hagan	Director of Information Systems
	Jennifer Hume	Assistant Secretary-Treasurer
	Deneen Madden	Executive Assistant
	Marlene Murray	Assistant Superintendent
	Irene Nordheim	Assistant Superintendent
	Henri Péloquin	Acting Assistant Superintendent
	Susan Potter	Executive Assistant

REGRETS:

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:11 PM.

1.1 Welcome and Notification of Audio Recording

Chair Sandy Nemeth welcomed everyone in attendance. The Chair noted the use of audio recording at board meetings for accuracy. It was also noted that unless approved, photographs, personal recordings, audio, visual or otherwise, are not permitted.

1.2 Acknowledgement of Treaty One Land

Chair Sandy Nemeth acknowledged the land on which we gather is Treaty One Territory and the traditional home of the Métis people.

1.3 Vision and Mission

Chair Sandy Nemeth read the Division's Vision and Mission statements.

1.4 Thank You to the Outgoing Chair

Chair Sandy Nemeth thanked the outgoing Chair Chris Sigurdson and presented him with the chair's gavel as a keepsake.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA & CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

2.1 Approval of the Agenda – November 6, 2018

2018-031 THAT the amended agenda for the Regular Meeting of November 6, 2018 be approved.

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

CARRIED

2.2 Approval of Minutes of Regular Board Meeting – October 16, 2018

2018-032 THAT the minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 16, 2018 be approved.

Trustee (Pamela Kolochuk) Moved, Trustee (Josie Landry) Seconded to approve the motion.

CARRIED

2.2 Approval of Minutes of Special Board Meeting – October 23, 2018

2018-033 THAT the minutes of the Special Meeting of October 23, 2018 be approved.

Trustee (Louise Johnston) Moved, Trustee (Pamela Kolochuk) Seconded to approve the motion.

CARRIED

LRSD NEWS

3.1 LRSD News Shared by the Chair for November 6, 2018

Chair Sandy Nemeth shared the following:

- Congratulations to new and returning trustees who are at the board table after the October 24th elections. We continue to enjoy a democratic process that sees local voter choice determine which trustee candidates will sit on school boards in Manitoba. This process must not only be celebrated, it must be protected. A sincere thank you to Trustee Sigurdson for serving and leading the board as chair for the past two years, and to everyone who is chairing and serving on committees as was noted in the inaugural meeting.
- The annual Choral Celebration was held on October 25th, with several trustees and members of the leadership team in attendance. Two days is not a lot of time to prepare, however our students put on a memorable show for the 2,000 friends and family in attendance. It was also very special to see the first Show Choir take the stage; sincere thanks to Arts Education Coordinator Ingrid Pedersen for the time and energy she (and many others) commits in the planning of this event.
- And finally, congratulations to the men's hockey team from Collège Béliveau for winning the Citrus Cup in Tampa Bay this past weekend.

3.2 LRSD News Shared by the Acting Superintendent for November 6, 2018

Acting Superintendent Christian Michalik acknowledged the results of the election and welcomed two new members and welcomed back seven members. He stated we have this beautiful mix of continuity and new faces and new thinking that now shapes a new board. He wished the trustees all the best in the next four years of their mandate as they start or renew the work of connecting with their community and listening to their needs and desires for public education in LRSD and making that come alive. He looks forward to serving the board as acting Superintendent.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Standing Committee Reports

4.1 Negotiations Committee Proposed 2018/2019 Budget

2018-034 THAT the Board receive and approve the Negotiations Committee Proposed 2018/2019 Budget.

Trustee (Pamela Kolochuk) Moved, Trustee (Josie Landry) Seconded to approve the motion.

CARRIED

4.2 Community Connections Committee Update

Chair of the Community Connections Committee, Josie Landry, spoke to the report.

4.3 RIEL-EVATE Foundation Committee – Upcoming Clothing Drive

Acting Superintendent Michalik provided an update regarding the RIEL-EVATE Foundation Committee and shared information about the upcoming clothing drive scheduled for November 10, 2018. Former Trustee, Hugh Coburn was acknowledged for his many contributions over the years.

FINANCE AND AUDIT

5.1 First Quarter (Q1) Financial Report

2018-035 THAT the Board receive and accept the First Quarter (Q1) Financial Report as presented.

Trustee (Cindy Turner) Moved, Trustee (Pamela Kolochuk) Seconded to approve the motion.

CARRIED

5.2 Public Budget Consultation - November 13, 2018

Acting Superintendent Michalik provided further details regarding the public consultation on November 13th commencing at 6:30 pm at the Board Office. The first portion of the consultation will include three presentations:

- Corey Kapilik, Coordinator of Indigenous Education, and his team will speak to the work they are doing in Indigenous Education;
- Steve Lawrie, Director of Student Support Service, and team will speak to our efforts in the area of student well-being and well-becoming and mental health; and,
- There will be an opportunity to talk about school boards and why local decision-making matters.

The second half of the consultation will provide information about the 2019-2020 budget process and an opportunity for the public to express its aspirations for public education in this part of the city and how a budget is an expression of those aspirations.

COMMUNICATION AND SUPPORT TO THE BOARD

6.1 School Resource Officer - Update

Assistant Superintendent Nordheim spoke to this report.

6.2 Leadership Lineup - Issue 4

Acting Superintendent Michalik answered questions related to Issue 4 of the Leadership Lineup.

6.3 The Learning Circle – Issue 2

Acting Superintendent Michalik answered questions related to Issue 4 of the Learning Circle.

6.4 The Parent Post – Issue 1

Acting Superintendent Michalik shared information that the first issue of the Parent Post will be shared with all LRSD parents next week and from that time forward every three months.

6.5 Social Media Strategy - Facebook

Acting Superintendent Michalik spoke to the report shared earlier in the fall referencing the latest results from a consultation with school administrators.

6.6 Update on Funds Allocated for Improved Safe Routes to School

Acting Assistant Superintendent Péloquin spoke to the report that provided an update on the important investment the board has made to enhance safe routes to school in 2018-19.

6.7 Transportation - Island Lakes and Southland Park

Acting Assistant Superintendent Péloquin spoke to the report that provided parent survey results related to the availability of paid seats for students in grades 7 and 8.

6.8 Water Testing

Acting Assistant Superintendent Péloquin shared an update related to the quality of the drinking water in schools.

6.9 MAPC Session RE: Anxiety and Stress November 24, 2018

The Division will be supporting the Anxiety and Stress in Kids session facilitated by MAPC on November 24, 2018, at 900 St. Mary's Road. The cost of custodial services and the rent fee will be supported by the division.

6.10 Annual Report to the Community

Acting Superintendent Michalik, provided an overview of the Annual Report to the Community.

6.11 The Report on Continuous Improvement 2017-2018

Acting Superintendent Michalik, provided an overview of the Annual Report submitted to the Province on October 31, 2018.

6.12 Trustee Election Results

Secretary-Treasurer Kenny provided information regarding the election results.

BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

7.1 School Board Correspondence - Received

The following School Board correspondence was received:

1. MANITOBA EDUCATION

- a) **(Page 1)** Letter RE: Manitoba Excellence in Education Awards (Oct 5, 2018)

2. PUBLIC SCHOOLS FINANCE BOARD

- a) **NONE**

3. OTHER

- a) **(Page 3)** AMC flyer RE: MSBA President
- b) **(Page 4)** Letter from Red River Valley School Division RE: MSBA membership fees (Sept 11, 2018)
- c) **(Page 5)** Letter from M. Lemoine RE: 2018 School Trustee Election Results (Oct 26, 2018)
- d) **(Page 10)** Letter from Swan Valley School Division RE: Nomination of Kelli Riehl for MSBA President (Oct 30, 2018)
- e) **(Page 11)** Letter from W. Ruff received Oct 31, 2018
- f) **(Page 14)** Letter from Pembina Trails School Division RE: Region 5 Director of MSBA (Nov 2, 2018)

7.3 School Board Correspondence – Sent

1. GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE

- a) **(Page 1)** Letter to the Hon. Minister Goertzen RE: DB Retirement (Oct 16, 2018)
- b) **(Page 2)** Letter to MASS RE: DB Retirement (Oct 16, 2018)
- c) **(Page 3)** Letter to MSBA RE: DB Retirement (Oct 16, 2018)
- d) **(Page 4)** Letter to Deputy Minister Doak RE: Congratulations and Welcome (Oct 22, 2018)
- e) **(Page 5)** Letter to S. Neustaedter RE: Transportation Request (Oct 23, 2018)

7.4 Manitoba School Boards Association Correspondence – Received

The following Manitoba School Boards Association correspondence was received:

1. MANITOBA SCHOOL BOARD ASSOCIATION

Labour Relations:

- a) **(Page 1)** Memo RE: CPI, Unemployment Rate, Regional Trends (Oct 25, 2018)

General Correspondence:

- a) **(Page 5)** Manitoba 2019 Pre-Budget Consultation
- b) **(Page 10)** Probe Research Findings Sept 2018
- c) **(Page 15)** Memo RE: Winnipeg Free Press for consideration (Oct 2018)
- d) **(Page 17)** Letter RE: Annual Memberships and Board Directors (Oct 16, 2018)
- e) **(Page 18)** e-bulletin (Oct 24, 2018)
- f) **(Page 19)** Manitoba Excellence in Education Awards
- g) **(Page 27)** Memo RE: 2018 Election and key MSBA documents (Oct 26, 2018)
- h) **(Page 29)** Memo RE: Provincial Executive By-Election (Oct 25, 2018)
- i) **(Page 31)** Memo RE: Distribution of Board Ballots (Oct 31, 2018)
- j) **(Page 32)** Authorization to Receive Board Ballots form

OTHER BOARD JOBS

8.1 By-Law 2/2019 Religious Instruction – École Sage Creek School

2018-036 THAT By-Law No. 2/2019 being a By-Law to authorize the instruction in religion at École Sage Creek School during the period of November 2018 to June 2019, receive first reading.

Trustee (Robert Page) Moved, Trustee (Cindy Turner) Seconded to approve the motion.

CARRIED

8.2 Authorization to Receive Board Ballots

2018-037 THAT the memo dated October 31, 2018 from the Manitoba School Boards Association regarding the Distribution of Board Ballots be received, and; THAT the Chair respond that either the Chair Sandy Nemeth or Trustee Tom Parker will sign the ballots.

Trustee (Neil Vadeboncoeur) Moved, Trustee (Pamela Kolochuk) Seconded to approve the motion.

CARRIED

PUBLIC FORUM

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

In attendance was: Scott Cameron, Drew Birse, Melanie Swenarchuk, Jason Paterson, Charlene Lemoine, Andrea Cooper, Frank Restall and Scott Wood. Questions and comments included:

- Parent, Scott Cameron shared that his daughter attends Island Lakes Community School in Grade 6. He is interested in how the Board is going to proceed with transportation. He noted the problem with catchment areas, especially with the development of Bona Vista and Sage Creek expanding. He asked if another survey could be circulated to widen the scope? *The Board will need to come to a decision regarding the schools underserved in transportation. Comprehensive research to resolve the most immediate pressures is ongoing. The issue regarding transportation and Practical Arts needs to resolve separately.*
- Parent, Melanie Swenarchuk, shared that her children attend Island Lakes Community School and J.H. Bruns Collegiate. She voiced frustration regarding transportation in these areas.
- Parent, Andrea Cooper, shared that her child is in Grade 7 at Island Lakes Community School and she voiced her frustrations regarding transportation.
- Parent, Charlene Lemoine, shared that her child attends Collège Béliveau in Grade 9 and she voiced her frustrations regarding transportation for the older students as well. Transportation affects all students.
- Island Lakes Community School PAC member, Jason Paterson, echoed the frustrations regarding transportation. He noted this is now a community issue affecting all bus riders, not just students.
- Frank Restall extended a huge thank you to every candidate who put their names forward to be a trustee and congratulated the nine elected. The Association looks forward to working with the Board to ensure success for students, for teachers and for the division. He noted that community involvement is lost when something grows too big or in a situation where a public-school board is dismantled, similar to what has happened in Nova Scotia. He hopes that solutions can be found for the community by working with our elected officials.
- *Acting Superintendent Christian Michalik commended Acting Assistant Superintendent Henri Péroquin and the Transportation Department for their on-going commitment to finding short-term solutions, that will meet the present needs, as well as solutions for long-term around practical arts.*

ADJOURNMENT

10.1 Adjournment of the Meeting

2018-038 THAT the Regular Meeting of November 6, 2018 be adjourned.
Trustee (Tom Parker) Moved, Trustee (Cindy Turner) Seconded to approve the motion.

CARRIED

The regular meeting adjourned at 9:23 PM.

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Chair

Secretary-Treasurer