



**MINUTES OF THE  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE LOUIS RIEL SCHOOL BOARD  
900 St. Mary's Road, Winnipeg  
Tuesday, March 19, 2019 (6:30 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:**

<b>BOARD MEMBERS:</b>	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

<b>ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:</b>	Christian Michalik	Superintendent
	Marna Kenny	Secretary-Treasurer
	Lisa Aitken	Assistant Superintendent
	Clarke Hagan	Director of Information Systems
	Deneen Madden	Executive Assistant
	Marlene Murray	Assistant Superintendent
	Irene Nordheim	Assistant Superintendent
	Susan Potter	Executive Assistant

<b>REGRETS:</b>	Neil Vadeboncoeur	Trustee
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**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 6:39 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 traditional territory of the Anishinaabe, and the homeland of the Métis nation. With this acknowledgment, we demonstrate respect for Indigenous peoples and we celebrate a renewed relationship with one another moving forward.

### **1.3 Vision and Mission**

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

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

### **2.1 Approval of the Agenda – March 19, 2019**

2018-079 THAT the agenda for the Regular Board Meeting of March 19, 2019 be approved.  
*Trustee (Tom Parker) Moved, Trustee (Robert Page) Seconded to approve the motion.*

CARRIED

### **2.2 Approval of Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting – March 5, 2019**

As there were no changes, the minutes were accepted as distributed.

### **2.3 Approval of Minutes of the Special Board Meeting – March 12, 2019**

As there were no changes, the minutes were accepted as distributed.

## **NEWS IN LRSD**

### **3.1 LRSD News Shared by the Chair Sandy Nemeth for March 19, 2019**

- The Manitoba School Boards Association conference and AGM took place March 14-15 in Winnipeg. High quality professional development, valuable networking, and good debate were the key themes over two busy days. Congratulations to LRSD Trustee Tom Parker who was recognized for 20 years of elected service to his community.
- Congratulations to Dakota Collegiate student Regan Hofley; who won a gold medal in pentathlon at the Special Olympics World Games taking place this week in Abu Dhabi.
- On a personal note, I continue to find value in connecting with the parent leaders in our schools by attending parent council and PAC meetings. Last evening at Highbury School, along with Trustee Landry, it was particularly interesting to hear parent feedback on our proposed Vision Mission Value and Motto statements.

### **News Shared by Trustee Cindy Turner for March 19, 2019**

- Last Wednesday, I attended the Rotary Career Symposium held at the Convention Centre and the Louis Riel Arts & Technology Centre (ATC) was there and had an amazing booth They had 6 of the 13 certificate programs accredited by Apprenticeship MB on display. There were 30 speakers all doing careers, a day in the life. The ATC booth had displays of bakery and pastry arts, and some of the students were showing their skills. They had auto tech students sharing a simulation that ATC uses; applied business management students were there, aesthetic students were there, and culinary art students were there showing off what they do. It was quite interesting!

### **3.2 LRSD News Shared by the Superintendent for March 19, 2019**

Superintendent Michalik shared that while doing spring cleaning in the Board Office we came across some amazing documents that we will need to pass on to those with expertise in historical artifacts. In my hands, I have minutes dating back to 1883 when schools were looked after by the City of St. Boniface. For the St. Vital side, I have minutes for Woodlawn School District dating back to 1909. These are the oldest minutes we have in our possession; however, there are quite a few minutes in this collection. We are going to look after all these minutes and will pass them on to the right people; maybe Patrimoine Canada/Heritage Canada would be interested.

## **COMMUNITY INPUT**

### **4.1 Boys and Girls Club Presentation**

Assistant Superintendent Nordheim introduced the following presenters in attendance who spoke about the Boys and Girls Club:

- Ron Brown, President and CEO, Winnipeg Boys and Girls Club
- Karen Dueck, Assistant Director of Programs, Winnipeg Boys and Girls Club
- Brendan Bowman, Lavallee Club Program Facilitator
- Katelin Mulvena, Parent, Lavallee School
- Mirzet Alekic, Victor Mager Club Alumnus
- Darcy Cormack, Principal RDC and Lavallee School
- Jordan Falconer, Principal, Victor Wyatt School
- Troy Reinhardt, Principal, Victor Mager School

## **BOARD EDUCATION**

### **5.1 Creative Schools (written by Sir Ken Robinson)**

Chair Nemeth led a conversation regarding chapters 1 – 5.

## **FINANCE AND AUDIT**

### **6.1 Budget Surplus**

Superintendent Michalik and Secretary-Treasurer Kenny provided surplus budget scenarios and context for the board motion.

2018-080        THAT the report on Accumulated Surplus be received as information and approved; and;  
                  THAT the sum of \$100,000 be transferred from the unappropriated surplus to the Capital  
                  Fund to increase the Bus Reserve; and,  
                  THAT the sum of \$3,741,960 be utilized from the Accumulated Surplus as outlined in the  
                  report.

*Trustee (Cindy Turner) Moved, Trustee (Josie Landry) Seconded to approve the motion.*

CARRIED

## **COMMUNICATION AND SUPPORT TO THE BOARD**

### **7.1 Personnel Update - Principal Transfers**

Superintendent Michalik provided context for the board motion regarding the principal transfers.

2018-081        THAT the following administrative principal transfers be approved, effective August 1, 2019:  
                  THAT Ron Cadez be appointed Principal of École St. Germain; and,  
                  THAT Lyette Carrière be appointed Principal of École Julie-Riel; and,  
                  THAT Joanne DeCruyenaere be appointed Principal of École Howden; and,  
                  THAT Jordan Falconer be appointed Principal of Island Lakes Community School; and,  
                  THAT Amy Haworth be appointed Principal of École Varennes; and,  
                  THAT Andrea Kolody be appointed Principal of École Van Belleghem; and,  
                  THAT Lisa Lewis be appointed Principal of Hastings School; and,  
                  THAT Michèle Olson be appointed Principal of École Provencher.

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

CARRIED

### **7.2 Personnel Update - Vice-Principal Transfer**

Superintendent Michalik provided context for the board motion regarding the vice-principal transfer.

2018-082 THAT Megan Vankoughnett be appointed Vice-Principal at École Sage Creek School, effective August 1, 2019.

*Trustee (Cindy Turner) Moved, Trustee (Louise Johnston) Seconded to approve the motion.*

CARRIED

### **7.3 Personnel Update - Principal and Vice-Principal Postings**

Superintendent Michalik advised that the following administrator positions will be posted on April 2:

- Vice-Principal at Dakota Collegiate
- Principal at Minnetonka School
- Principal at Shamrock School
- Principal at St. George School
- Principal at Victor H. L. Wyatt School
- Principal at Windsor School

### **7.4 Childcare at René Deleurme Centre**

Superintendent Michalik provided the following update on behalf of Assistant Superintendent Nordheim, who had to step away from the meeting:

Proposed Budget for total 100 childcare spaces - \$1,571,446.50

Secured funding to date:

- PSFB - \$350,000
- Early Childhood – \$490,000
- Divisional (Board approved funding) - \$150,000
- Operator (Bonnie Ash) contribution - \$200,000

This leaves a shortfall of approximately \$400,000.

After a meeting held on February 12th with the Province and Morrow Avenue Child Care we are pleased to announce that we will move forward with this project in two stages. This will allow for a second round of funding from the province according to the bi-lateral agreement, recognizing the quota required for new day care spaces.

Plans for the phases are now being completed with a goal of going to tender in April; construction to begin this summer.

This revised plan also allows for the Abecedarian training to begin this fall for the daycare and the family centers at Victor H. L. Wyatt, Lavallee and Victor Mager Schools.

### **7.5 École Sage Creek School Transition Expenses**

Superintendent Michalik provided context for the board motion.

2018-083 THAT the expenses associated with the École Sage Creek School transition be received as information; and,

THAT the Superintendent provide details to the Public Schools Finance Board and copy MLAs who serve in the LRSD Community.

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

CARRIED

*Assistant Superintendent Nordheim returned to the meeting.*

#### **7.6 The Manitoba Commission on K-12 Education**

The Manitoba Commission on K-12 Education will be a regular board item to provide the board an ongoing opportunity to discuss the latest updates.

#### **7.7 Trustee Highlights to the Community by Ward**

Superintendent Michalik shared an update and engaged the board in a conversation.

#### **7.8 Metro School Divisions 2019/2020 Budget Announcements**

Superintendent Michalik shared a report regarding the Metro School Division's 2019/2020 budget announcements.

#### **7.9 Governance Policy Review Status Update**

Superintendent Michalik provided an update regarding the policy review status.

#### **7.10 Egale's Second National Climate Survey**

Egale Canada Human Rights Trust is excited to announce an upcoming Second National Climate Survey on Homophobia, Biphobia, and Transphobia in Canadian Schools. Their team was impressed and grateful for the Louis Riel board's involvement with the first survey in 2009 and would like to invite LRSD to take part in the second survey.

The First National Climate Survey on Homophobia, Biphobia, and Transphobia in Canadian Schools shed light on the realities of life at school for straight, lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, questioning, intersex, and Two Spirit (LGBTQI2S) students in Canada. This research has been used to build Safer and Accepting Schools program, aided in the creation of school board policy, and advocated for Gay Straight Alliances. On the 10th anniversary of this ground-breaking study, it is time to reassess inclusion in the classrooms by gauging the current experiences of LGBTQI2S students and comparing them to previous results. This second climate survey will again be led by Dr. Tracey Peter, Professor and Associate Head of Sociology at the University of Manitoba, and Dr. Catherine Taylor, Associate Dean of Arts and Professor of Education at the University of Winnipeg. The data collected from this survey will help identify areas of improvement and ongoing barriers to inclusion in schools across the country, enhance current projects, propose new programs, and strengthen our policy and education advocacy efforts.

2018-084        THAT the Louis Riel School Division participate in the Egale Canada Human Rights Trust Second National Climate Survey on Homophobia, Biphobia, and Transphobia in Canadian Schools.

*Trustee (Josie Landry) Moved, Trustee (Cindy Turner) Seconded to approve the motion.*

CARRIED

### **GOVERNANCE PROCESS**

#### **8.1 Manitoba School Boards Association (MSBA) Convention and AGM Report**

Trustees in attendance at the Manitoba School Boards Association Convention and AGM shared updates.

#### **8.2 Policy Update – First Reading**

Superintendent Michalik provided context for the board motion.

2018-085        THAT the policies reviewed by the Superintendent's Policy Committee and listed in the First Reading table provided receive first reading and that these first reading policies be further

reviewed in committee and brought back for second reading and third reading before the end of the school year.

*Trustee (Louise Johnston) Moved, Trustee (Cindy Turner) Seconded to approve the motion.*

CARRIED

### **8.3 Policy Update – Second Readings**

Superintendent Michalik provided context for the board motion.

2018-086 THAT the policies reviewed by the Superintendent’s Policy Committee and listed in the Second Reading table provided receive second reading and that these second reading policies be further reviewed in committee and brought back for third and final reading before the end of the school year.

*Trustee (Josie Landry) Moved, Trustee (Louise Johnston) Seconded to approve the motion.*

CARRIED

## **BOARD CORRESPONDENCE**

### **9.1 School Board Correspondence - Received**

The following School Board correspondence was received:

#### **1. MANITOBA EDUCATION**

- a) **(Page 1)** Letter from A. Hawkins RE: Curriculum Support Centre (Mar 12, 2019)

#### **2. PUBLIC SCHOOLS FINANCE BOARD**

NONE

#### **3. OTHER**

NONE

### **9.2 Manitoba School Boards Association Correspondence – Received**

The following Manitoba School Boards Association correspondence was received:

#### **1. Labour Relations:**

NONE

#### **2. General Correspondence:**

- a) **(Page 1)** Memo RE: The Traffic and Transportation Modernization Act (Mar 4, 2019)
- b) **(Page 4)** Memo RE: MASS 2019 Resolutions Update (Mar 5, 2019)
- c) **(Page 5)** 2019 Convention Resolutions PKG REVISED
- d) **(Page 28)** Mass response RE: 2019 Budget Finalization (Mar 6, 2019)
- e) **(Page 31)** Memo RE: Budget 2019: What it means for school boards (Mar 6, 2019)
- f) **(Page 33)** Interlake School Division Municipal Meeting Summary
- g) **(Page 54)** Turtle Mountain School Division update to MSBA RE: Local Voices/Local Choices
- h) **(Page 55)** Convention 2019 Program Full
- i) **(Page 63)** Webinar Invitation – Nurturing Governance Capacity
- j) **(Page 64)** MSBA Executive Candidate Profiles 2019
- k) **(Page 76)** Treaty Relations Commission of MB Invitation (Feb 6, 2019)
- l) **(Page 78)** G. Draper Response in MB Cooperator (Mar 13, 2019)

**PUBLIC FORUM**

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

Scott Wood was in attendance on behalf of the Louis Riel Teachers' Association (LRTA) and shared the following comments:

- I would like to highlight a few key words used tonight around being political as trustees. I know it is a fine balancing act; as public figures, as private figures, as elected or appointed positions, but it is time that we are all political. We turn to you the trustees and encourage you to use your political role to support teachers in the classroom and react as best you can. At the end of the day, we need teachers in the classrooms. Thank you.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**11.1 Adjournment of the Meeting**

The regular meeting adjourned at 9:07 PM.

“Originals signed by S. Nemeth”

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Chair

“Originals signed by M. Kenny”

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Secretary-Treasurer