



**MINUTES OF THE  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE LOUIS RIEL SCHOOL BOARD**

Tuesday, September 3, 2019, 6:45 PM  
900 St. Mary's Road, Winnipeg

**BOARD MEMBERS:** Sandy Nemeth, Chair  
Louise Johnston, Vice-Chair  
Pamela Kolochuk, Trustee  
Josie Landry, Trustee  
Tom Parker, Trustee  
Chris Sigurdson, Trustee  
Cindy Turner, Trustee

**REGRETS:** Robert Page, Trustee  
Neil Vadeboncoeur, Trustee

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:** Christian Michalik, Superintendent  
Marna Kenny, Secretary-Treasurer  
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, Assistant Superintendent  
Susan Potter, Executive Assistant  
Lexi Muise, Administrative Assistant

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The Regular Meeting of the Louis Riel School Board was called to order by Sandy Nemeth, Board Chair at 6:51 PM.

**1.1 Treaty Acknowledgement**

The Chair 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.

**1.2 Welcome and Announcements**

The Chair welcomed everyone in attendance with a special welcome to Marcela Cabezas, President of the Louis Riel Teachers' Association (LRTA) and also to Scott Wood, Vice-President of Collective Bargaining for the LRTA. The Chair noted the use of audio recording at the board meetings for accuracy. It was also noted that unless approved, photographs, personal recordings, audio, visual or otherwise, are not permitted.

**1.3 Affirmation of Vision and Mission**

The Chair read the division's Vision and Mission statements.

**2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES**

**2.1 Approval of Agenda for Regular Board Meeting – September 3, 2019**

2019-011

Moved by Josie Landry

Seconded by Cindy Turner

THAT the agenda for the Regular Board Meeting of **September 3, 2019** be approved.

CARRIED

**2.2 Approval of Minutes of Special Board Meeting – June 25, 2019**

As there were no changes, the minutes of June 25, 2019, Special Board Meeting were accepted as distributed.

**3. LRSD NEWS**

**3.1 Chair's News**

A warm welcome back to all trustees and the senior leadership team, and to the entire LRSD community as we begin another school year. I truly hope everyone had an enjoyable summer.

I enjoyed meeting our new teachers last week and welcoming them to our flourishing learning community. Every new year brings possibility and promise and 2019/2020 is no exception. The school board is committed to strong governance and leadership while engaging students, parents, LRSD staff and our greater community in the conversations that will ensure all voices are heard during board deliberations and discussions. We wish everyone a year of personal and collective growth and success.

LRSD News from Trustee Tom Parker

During the summer, Trustees Sigurdson, Nemeth and I had the opportunity of visiting the ASPIRE program at Frontenac School and the immersion program at École Henri-Bergeron. These visits are very exciting! The ASPIRE program is like a summer camp. The teachers do a terrific job of working arithmetic, writing and language into the program while having a great time. We saw nothing but happy faces attending these programs.

I would also like to congratulate Island lakes Community School for receiving a \$70,000 community grant for their playground.

### **3.2 Superintendent Christian Michalik's News**

I would like to reference my welcome back message published on the LRSD website. The essence of my message is that we are excited to return to learning. Learning is at the heart of what we do which is synonymous with growing, developing or improving. When, I hear the word learner, as in our motto, *Thriving Learners*, I see myself, students, all staff, all parents, all guardians and anyone who is a friend to LRSD. If I had to attach an acronym to my name, role and title it would be CLO, Chief Learning Officer. I am eager to embrace new challenges, eager to make learning as challenging as it can be. I embrace mistakes and my colleagues are okay with my mistakes if I am learning from those mistakes. School is about that excitement that comes from creating something new. I can't wait to see what we create in LRSD from our individual and collective learning.

We would also like to welcome all students to the new school year, and a special welcome to students and staff new to LRSD.

## **4. PRESENTATIONS TO THE BOARD**

### **4.1 Sandra Saint-Cyr**

Sandra Saint-Cyr was in attendance and made a presentation to the Board with reference to Policy IJA.

## **5. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **5.1 RIEL-EVATE Committee**

Jennifer Hume, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer, advised that funds donated to RIEL-EVATE last year totaling just under \$74,000 will be sent to the Winnipeg Foundation by the middle of September.

As the funds will be received by the Winnipeg Foundation prior to September 30, 2019, we will be eligible for their spending policy application next fiscal year. Just to give you an idea of the matching of funds, we will be sending the Winnipeg Foundation ~ \$74,000

and with their matching dollars the fund will receive an additional \$25,000 so the account will be just under \$100,000.

## **6. FINANCE AND AUDIT**

### **6.1 The Winnipeg Foundation – One-Year Literacy for Life Grant Award - Frontenac School**

Assistant Superintendent Nordheim shared that the \$2000 Winnipeg Foundation grant proceeds will be applied to purchasing books as well as supporting students with a focus in literacy.

### **6.2 The Winnipeg Foundation – Community Grant - Nelson McIntyre Collegiate**

Marlene Murray, Assistant Superintendent, shared that the Nelson McIntyre Collegiate community are very excited about re-imagining a well-loved space, which is the cafeteria. Students in Propel have been doing some project work and brainstorming regarding various corners of the school and certainly the cafeteria is included. Assistant Superintendent Murray congratulated the school community for successfully acquiring \$44,200 being the Community Grant supported by the Winnipeg Foundation. These funds will go a long way toward making student-ideas dreams come true.

### **6.3 FRAME 2017 - 2018 - Actuals Report**

The Board has referred the FRAME 2017 - 2018 - Actuals Report to the Finance and Audit Committee.

## **7. MULTI-YEAR STRATEGIC PLAN (MYSP) 2019-2023**

Superintendent Michalik facilitated a dialogue about the Board's MYSP that is being shared in multiple ways. Last week new teachers gathered for a learning opportunity and each were provided with an English and French poster of the MYSP. We had a great conversation regarding each of the quadrants, discussing how they will make this come alive in each of their classrooms. We want these cultures to speak to not only the students, but also to staff, parents/guardians.

### **7.1 Strategic Priority 1 – Creating a Culture of Equity and Inclusion – Belonging**

### **7.2 Strategic Priority 2 – Creating a Culture of Learning and Well-Becoming – Mastery**

### **7.3 Strategic Priority 3 – Creating a Culture of Inquiry and Responsibility – Independence**

### **7.4 Strategic Priority 4 – Creating a Culture of Caring and Collaboration – Generosity**

## **8. INFORMATION TO THE BOARD**

### **8.1 Update from August 27, 2019 Trustee Meeting**

The Chair shared an update from the August 27, 2019 trustee meeting which included conversations for the upcoming school year. We started by reflecting on the past year and discussing the MYSP and the report to the Commission. We then had dialogue

around our commitment to professional development related to governance and our roles as a board. We also discussed committee structures.

## **8.2 New Teacher Orientation, New to Leadership Orientation, and the Inaugural Leadership Team Meeting**

The Senior Leadership Team shared their thoughts about time shared with staff during the following August meetings:

- Teachers New to LRSD
- New Leaders
- Leadership Team Meeting

## **8.3 Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) in response to the Call for Proposals 2019**

Superintendent Michalik shared that our proposal has been assessed and approved and we will bring more details as we negotiate the full potential funding agreement.

## **8.4 Haiti International Project**

Superintendent Michalik reminded us that we have been on a long journey with Université de Saint-Boniface (USB) and the Haiti Centre for Research and Training. This will be our sixth cohort. Henri Péloquin, Assistant Superintendent, has been supporting this initiative for the last couple of years. The Haitians educators are so appreciative to see our schools in action, to have leaders available and to have LRSD be a part of their learning journey and their presence in our schools enriches our learning in LRSD.

## **9. ACTION ITEMS**

### **9.1 Statutory Declaration Secretary-Treasurer 2019/2020**

2019-012

Moved by Tom Parker

Seconded by Cindy Turner

THAT the Statutory Declaration made by Marna Kenny, Secretary-Treasurer, be accepted.

CARRIED

### **9.2 By-law 20192020-001 - Religious Instruction - Victor Mager School - First Reading**

2019-013

Moved by Pamela Kolochuk

Seconded by Josie Landry

THAT By-law 20192020-001 being a by-law to authorize the instruction of religion at Victor Mager School during the period of September 2019 to June 2020, receive first reading.

CARRIED

**9.3 École Guyot Multi-Purpose Room Renovation**

2019-014

Moved by Tom Parker

Seconded by Pamela Kolochuk

THAT the Board approve the École Guyot Multi-Purpose Room renovation.

CARRIED

**9.4 FRAME 2017-2018 Actuals Report**

2019-015

Moved by Louise Johnston

Seconded by Cindy Turner

THAT the Board refer the FRAME 2017-2018 Actuals Report to the Finance and Audit Committee for review.

CARRIED

**10. CORRESPONDENCE**

**10.1 School Board Correspondence – Received**

The following correspondence was received by the Board:

**MANITOBA EDUCATION**

1. (Page 1) Letter from Dr. Rob Santos RE: K – 3 Class Size Data and K – 12 Framework for Continuous Improvement (June 2019)

**PUBLIC SCHOOLS FINANCE BOARD**

1. NONE

**OTHER**

1. (Page 3) Thank you email from R. Bartlet RE: Scholarship (Aug 18, 2019)
2. (Page 4) Thank you letter from N. Lando RE: Scholarship

3. (Page 5) Thank you letter from E. Danell RE: Scholarship
4. (Page 6) Thank you letter from M. Abid RE: Scholarship
5. (Page 7) Thank you letter from M. Bedi RE: Scholarship
6. (Page 8) Thank you letter from Z. Farooq RE: Scholarship
7. (Page 9) Thank you letter from R. Soni RE: Scholarship
8. (Page 10) Thank you letter from CJS administration RE: Scholarship
9. (Page 11) Thank you letter from A. Tandoc RE: Scholarship
10. (Page 12) Thank you letter from K. Rice RE: Scholarship
11. (Page 13) Thank you letter from K. Ediriweera RE: Scholarship
12. (Page 14) Thank you letter from B. Haworth RE: Scholarship
13. (Page 15) Thank you letter from K. Wiebe RE: Supporting T. J. Wiebe Fund

## **10.2 School Board Correspondence – Sent**

The following correspondence was sent by the Board:

### **GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE**

1. (Page 1) Letter to A. Saydak (June 25, 2019)
2. (Page 3) Letter to R. George, N. Maynard and L. Tymchuk (June 25, 2019)
3. (Page 4) Letter to Discovery Time RE: Religious Instruction – École Julie-Riel (June 20, 2019)
4. (Page 5) Letter to Discovery Time RE: Religious Instruction – École Sage Creek School (June 20, 2019)
5. (Page 6) Letter to Discovery Time RE: Religious Instruction – Shamrock School (June 26, 2019)
6. (Page 7) Letter to Discovery Time RE: Religious Instruction – Island Lakes Community School (June 26, 2019)

## **10.3 Manitoba School Boards Association (MSBA) Correspondence – Received**

The following Manitoba School Boards Association (MSBA) Correspondence was received by the Board:

### **Labour Relations:**

1. (Page 1) Memo from G. Coupland RE: Federal and Provincial Legislation Remaining on the Order Papers Related to Previous MSBA (June 25, 2019)

2. (Page 3) CTV Article RE: Indigenous stat holiday bill destined to die in Senate
3. (Page 5) Memo from G. Coupland RE: Bill C369 – National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (April 10, 2019)
4. (Page 11) CBC Article RE: National Day for Truth and Reconciliation may be Canada's next new statutory holiday (April 17, 2019)
5. (Page 14) Memo from G. Coupland RE: Bill 18: The Labour Relations Amendment Act Conciliation and Mediation Services (April 17, 2019)

**MSBA General Correspondence:**

1. (Page 28) 2019 Insurance Update
2. (Page 31) Key Messages – School Bus Safety
3. (Page 32) Discussion Paper – School Bus Safety
4. (Page 55) Letter from the Hon. Minister McKenna to the Hon. Minister Squires RE: The Climate Action Innovation Fund (June 25, 2019)
5. (Page 60) Federal Announcement RE: Climate Action Innovation Fund for MB Schools
6. (Page 62) MSBA Provincial Election Brochure 2019
7. (Page 66) Memo RE: Written Submissions Presented to the K-12 Education Review Commission (July 10, 2019)
8. (Page 67) Press Release RE: President and Vice President at AGM
9. (Page 69) Communications Officer Posting
10. (Page 70) The 2019 MB Connections Conference – Optional Workshops
11. (Page 73) Letter from the Hon. Minister McKenna RE: Climate Action Incentive Fund
12. (Page 75) MSBA Statement RE: Climate Action Incentive Fund (Aug 7, 2019)
13. (Page 76) Memo RE: URGENT- Federal Climate Action Incentive Fund – Preliminary Estimates of Divisional Allocations under the fund (Aug 16, 2019)

**11. PUBLIC FORUM**

On behalf of the Louis Riel Teachers' Association (LRTA), Marcela Cabezas and Scott Wood were in attendance and thanked everyone for their leadership and caring. Marcela reiterated the Superintendent's message that this will be a year of learning for all of us. The LRTA is well aware that there are many changes that face us in the province with respect to public education. The LRTA would like to continue in the positive spirit as in the past and keep the channels of communication open.



**12. ADJOURNMENT**

The regular meeting adjourned at 8:54 PM.

"original signed by S. Nemeth"

Chair

"original signed by M. Kenny"

Secretary-Treasurer