



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

Tuesday, December 17, 2019, 6:30 PM
900 St. Mary's Road, Winnipeg

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

REGRETS: Cindy Turner, Trustee

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Christian Michalik, Superintendent
Marna Kenny, Secretary-Treasurer
Lisa Aitken, Assistant Superintendent
Jennifer Hume, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer
Tim MacKay, Director of EAL and ISP
Deneen Madden, Executive Assistant
Lexi Muise, Administrative Assistant
Marlene Murray, Assistant Superintendent
Irene Nordheim, Assistant Superintendent
Henri Péroquin, Assistant Superintendent

1. CALL TO ORDER

The December 17 Regular Meeting of the Louis Riel School Division Board of Trustees was called to order by Sandy Nemeth, Louis Riel School Board Chair, at 6:30 P.M.

1.1 Treaty Acknowledgement

The Chair acknowledged the land on which our learners, staff and families gather is Treaty One Territory and the traditional territory of the Anishinaabe, Ininewak, and Dakota peoples, and homeland of the Métis Nation.

With this acknowledgement, we demonstrate respect for Indigenous peoples and communities, and we celebrate a renewed relationship with one another moving forward.

1.2 Welcome and Announcements

The Chair 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.

1.3 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 – December 17, 2019

2019-052

Moved by Trustee Kolochuk

Seconded by Trustee Johnston

THAT the December 17 agenda for the Regular Board Meeting be approved.

CARRIED

2.2 Approval of Minutes of Regular Board Meeting – December 3, 2019

As there were no changes, the December 3, 2019 minutes of the Regular Board Meeting were accepted as distributed.

3. LRSD NEWS

3.1 Chair's News

Warm and sincere thanks to Mme Brigitte Girouard and the two choir groups from École Henri-Bergeron for beginning our meeting on the right note!! There is not a school or building in LRSD that is not engaged somehow in the spirit of caring and sharing this holiday season. Many local charities will benefit from the results of our schools' fundraising efforts. Those in need will be looked after thanks to the generosity of students, families, and staff. Schools that are celebrating with concerts and theater productions, which many of us around this table have made time to attend, are connecting communities through music and song. My news today is more of a thank you to everyone who is giving of their time, talent and resources, not just at Christmas time, but at any time in offering assistance and kindness to those that may need it. May that same spirit follow you this season wherever you go.

News by Trustee Landry:

It has been my pleasure to attend winter concerts in LRSD and here are a few I attended:

- Le Tapis Rouge: The Red-Carpet performance at École Henri-Bergeron included awards presented to various categories and costumed characters from movies. This event was also enjoyed by Trustees Nemeth and Johnston.
- École Provencher's Concert d'hiver's 2019 was movement to music showing what snowmen do at night.
- H.S. Paul School's rendition of Christmas traditions of various groups was complete with Santa and his elves.
- École Marie-Anne Gabourey also had their winter concert this morning which was a Disney trip around the world.

There were wonderful performances by students, and I would like to give a big shout out to all music staff, and everyone involved. A tremendous amount of work is invested to ensure these productions are successful.

I recently attended the coffee break at the Maginot Board Office along with Trustees Johnston, Page and Vadeboncoeur, Superintendent Michalik, Assistant Superintendent Pélouquin and Business Manager Bhandari where we enjoyed conversation with staff.

3.2 Superintendent Christian Michalik's News

My news is about two spotlight stories recently posted on our website:

- Microsoft has been talking about LRSD quite a bit of late regarding assistive technologies. You will recall we met Payton and her family in the fall and Microsoft was in Winnipeg to capture their story on video and now they are sharing it with the world. We are receiving lots of great feedback.
- The Annual Report to the Community (ARC) under the "About Us" tab on the LRSD web page has recently been updated to include each school's report to the community. On a go-forward basis, anytime you want to navigate spotlight stories on the website from a multi-year strategic planning (MYSP) perspective, you can follow one of the school links, and you will be taken to the priority and, if there is a spotlight story, it will appear there. Essentially, we are connecting spotlight stories with the MYSP and the ARC.

4. PRESENTATIONS TO THE BOARD

4.1 École Henri-Bergeron Choir will Perform

Two of the École Henri-Bergeron choir groups, led by Brigitte Girouard, performed at 6:30 p.m. in the St. Vital Room.

5. INFORMATION - TIMED ITEM

5.1 7:00 P.M. - The Learning Team

The Learning Team continued sharing highlights of their work serving 40 schools with a special focus on K-3. We considered the team's analysis of the EYE Direct Assessment (EYE-DA) and the EYE Teacher Assessment (EYE-TA).

6. COMMITTEE REPORTS

6.1 Negotiations Committee Update

Trustee Parker, Chair of the Negotiations Committee, provided final remarks about interest arbitration.

7. BOARD EDUCATION

7.1 The Board's To Do List

There was a discussion regarding work to be completed by the Board during the 2019/2020 school year.

Moved by Trustee Kolochuk
Seconded by Trustee Johnston

THAT the list of work to be completed be received by the Board; and,

THAT the Community Connections Committee explore the value of policy related to board-community engagement and bring a report back to the Board at a future date.

CARRIED

8. FINANCE AND AUDIT

8.1 Budget Conversation

Secretary-Treasurer Kenny answered trustees' questions related to the attached report regarding the budget process for 2020-2021.

9. MULTI-YEAR STRATEGIC PLAN

Superintendent Michalik facilitated a dialogue about the Board's MYSP, specifically with reference to Strategic Priority 4 - Creating a Culture of Caring and Collaboration (Generosity) and how this priority relates to the Annual Report to the Community and the Continuous Improvement Report.

9.1 Strategic Priority 4 – Creating a Culture of Caring and Collaboration - Generosity

10. INFORMATION TO THE BOARD

10.1 Utilizing Classrooms at Dakota Collegiate on Saturdays

Assistant Superintendent Nordheim followed up with Charles Bendu, founder of the Resource Center for Student Achievement and Enrichment. Mr. Bendu has been operating an academic program in a neighborhood church for newcomers, of which many of the participants are from the LRSD area. The interest and enrolment in this program have outgrown that facility and Mr. Bendu would like to utilize space in LRSD.

LRSD has agreed to provide access to four classrooms at Dakota Collegiate (DC) on Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. from January to June 2020. Mr. Bendu will be responsible for the cost of custodial support and on days when DC is running tournaments, the cost will be shared by both parties.

10.2 The Programme for International Student Assessment (PISA)

Superintendent Michalik led a conversation regarding the 2018 PISA results.

10.3 René Deleurme Centre Community Forum

The Trustees debriefed the December 5 gathering at the René Deleurme Centre.

10.4 Province Introduces Innovative Scorecards to Measure Results

Manitoba has become one of the first provinces in the country to use scorecards to track progress on key initiatives across the public service, Finance Minister Scott Fielding announced today. Balanced scorecards are available to the public through an online dashboard so all Manitobans can track improvements. (Ref. News Release - Manitoba)

11. POLICY

11.1 Policy IKE - Grade Placement of Students Kindergarten to Grade 8 - First and Second Reading

2019-054

Moved by Trustee Vadeboncoeur

Seconded by Trustee Page

THAT Policy IKE - Grade Placement of Students Kindergarten to Grade 8 receive first and second reading.

CARRIED

12. CORRESPONDENCE

12.1 School Board Correspondence – Received

The following correspondence was received by the Board:

Manitoba Education:

- (Page 1) Letter from Hon. Minister Goertzen RE: Skills Strategy Equipment Enhancement Fund (Dec. 2, 2019)
- (Page 4) 2019-2020 Skills Strategy Equipment Enhancement Fund Budget Form
- (Page 5) Letter from Hon. Minister Goertzen RE: Manitoba Education’s Community Schools Program (Dec. 12, 2019)

Public Schools Finance Board:

- NONE

Other:

- (Page 7) MASS update for members (December 2019)

12.2 Manitoba School Boards Association (MSBA) Correspondence – Received

The following MSBA Correspondence was received by the Board:

Labour Relations:

- (Page 1) RE: Bill 18 – The Summary Budgeting Act, Public Sector Executive Compensation Act Enacted

General MSBA Correspondence:

- (Page 51) The Facts on PISA 2018 (Dec. 5, 2019)
- (Page 55) Executive Highlights (Nov. 21, 2019)
- (Page 56) Christmas Greetings 2019

13. PUBLIC FORUM

The following members of the public were in attendance:

Scott Wood was in attendance on behalf of the Louis Riel Teachers' Association and wished everyone a well-deserved break. He thanked everyone for their dedication.

14. ADJOURNMENT

The December 17 Regular Meeting adjourned at 8:46 P.M.

“original signed by S. Nemeth”

Chair

“original signed by M. Kenny”

Secretary-Treasurer