

MINUTES OF THE

REGULAR MEETING OF THE LOUIS RIEL SCHOOL DIVISION BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Tuesday, May 17, 2022, 6:30 P.M.
50 Monterey Road, Winnipeg
Hybrid Meeting

BOARD MEMBERS: Sandy Nemeth, Vice-Chair
Josie Landry, Trustee
Robert Page, Trustee
Tom Parker, Trustee
Chris Sigurdson, Trustee
Cindy Turner, Trustee
Neil Vadeboncoeur, Trustee, virtual

REGRETS: Louise Johnston, Chair
Pamela Kolochuk, Trustee

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Christian Michalik, Superintendent & CEO
Jamie Rudnicki, Secretary-Treasurer & CFO
Lisa Aitken, Assistant Superintendent Staff Services
Jeff Anderson, Assistant Superintendent Instructional Services
Amarbeer Bhandari, Director of Facilities, Maintenance and Transportation, virtual
Ron Cadez, Divisional Principal, virtual
Clarke Hagan, Director of Information Technology Systems
Michelle Jean-Paul, Divisional Principal
Steve Lawrie, Director of Inclusion and Clinical Services, virtual
Deneen Madden, Executive Assistant
Lexi Muise, Executive Assistant
Marlene Murray, Assistant Superintendent Student Services

1. CALL TO ORDER

The May 17 Regular Meeting of the Louis Riel School Division (LRSD) Board of Trustees was called to order by Sandy Nemeth, Acting Chair, LRSD Board of Trustees at 6:30 p.m.

1.1 LRSD Land Acknowledgement

The Louis Riel School Division (LRSD) brings together a community of schools on the traditional land of the Anishinaabek, Ininewak, and Dakota. Our division is located on

the homeland of the Métis. We recognize that Manitoba is also the traditional land of the Anishininwak and Dene.

We respect the treaties made on this land and acknowledge the harms and mistakes of the past and present. We dedicate ourselves to authentic alliances with Indigenous communities in a spirit of reconciliation and cooperation.

The ongoing development of LRSD's land acknowledgement is guided by our Indigenous Council of Grandmothers and Grandfathers, and we thank them for their generosity and collaboration.

1.2 Welcome and Announcements

I would like to welcome everyone participating in this hybrid meeting. This is also to notify you that we audio record Board meetings for accuracy. 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 – May 17, 2022

2021-120

Moved by Trustee Page

Seconded by Trustee Parker

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

CARRIED

2.2 Approval of Minutes of Regular Board Meeting – May 3, 2022

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

3. LRSD NEWS

3.1 News from the Board of Trustees Provided by Trustee Vadeboncoeur

I would like to focus on two themes, one of collaboration in the LRSD community and the other about working together and participation.

- I would like to draw attention to the 100th Reunion of Glenlawn Collegiate. Wayne Ruff, co-chair of the organizing committee has stated that school staff, former staff, alumni, students, school administrators and councillors Markus Chambers and Brian Mayes, as well as many other community members are collaborating to put on a terrific community event planned for June of 2023.

- I want to recognize the tireless efforts of Parent Advisory Council members as they support local schools by collaborating with school administrators and staff to enhance school communities.
- There is a group of young people who contribute every school day to their school communities. I would like to acknowledge the tireless efforts of school patrols who keep their fellow students safe.
- Lastly, I would like to draw attention to upcoming graduations and year-end celebrations. In particular, I would like to note the Jules Lavallee Memorial Graduation Pow Wow at Murray Field on June 8 commencing at 3:15 p.m. All the upcoming graduation events breathe life into the saying that it takes a village to raise a child. All LRSD teachers and staff, parents, relatives, friends, volunteers, community members and organizations come together to support LRSD children and youth as they move from grade to grade in our schools.

3.2 News from Superintendent Michalik

I want to highlight the following stories:

- May is Speech and Hearing Month in Canada and opportunities to raise awareness are taking place across the division.
- I'd like to congratulate Greg Kiesman who received the Manitoba Association of Educational Technology Leaders (MAETL) Making IT Happen Award 2022.
- May 5 was the National Day of Awareness and Action for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women, Girls and 2SLGBTQQIA People. Schools recognized the significance of the day in age-appropriate ways and reminded everyone of the calls to action outlined in the *Reclaiming Power and Place* report.
- May 10 was Bear Witness Day, a significant commemoration of the collective work culminated in Jordan's Principle, which also ensures supports are available for families that identify as Indigenous.
- Students at École Provencher Explore the sweetness of nature and it is wonderful to see schools embracing the outdoors and land-based learning opportunities.
- It's musical season and LRSD high school students have been performing awe-inspiring shows include:
 - Freaky Friday - Glenlawn Collegiate
 - Mamma Mia! - Windsor Park Collegiate
 - The Little Mermaid - Collège Jeanne-Sauvé
 - High School Musical - Nelson McIntyre Collegiate
 - Parallèle: la comédie musicale - Collège Béliveau
 - Shrek - Dakota Collegiate
- Mark your calendars for the Jules Lavallee Memorial Graduation Pow Wow on June 8 at Murray Field.

4. BOARD EDUCATION

4.1 Canadian School Boards Association (CSBA) - Presentation

Trustee Nemeth advised that the Canadian School Boards Association (CSBA) will gather trustees from across Canada at the upcoming CSBA Annual Congress in July with the theme of Local Voices, Local Choices: Education Belongs to Community. She will co-present alongside Lena Kublick, Chair of Lord Selkirk School Division, a session sharing the respective school boards' journeys through Bill 64 and community collaboration.

5. FINANCE AND AUDIT

5.1 Third Quarter (Q3) Financial Report

Secretary-Treasurer Rudnicki provided a Q3 Financial Report that as of March 31, 2022, total revenue is \$148,675,673 million that represents 72.8 percent of our budgeted revenue. Our expenditures total \$144,646,308 million that represents 71.1 percent of our budgeted expenditures for the current year.

5.2 Promissory Note

2021-121

Moved by Trustee Sigurdson

Seconded by Trustee Turner

THAT the issue of the Promissory Note LTPS0515, as it is deemed necessary and expedient to raise by loan the sum of \$25,142,900 on the credit of the Louis Riel School Division for the purpose of financing capital projects, be approved.

CARRIED

6. STAFFING

6.1 Personnel Update - Director of School and Classroom Supports

2021-122

Moved by Trustee Page

Seconded by Trustee Parker

THAT Ron Cadez be appointed as the Director of School and Classroom Supports, effective August 1, 2022.

CARRIED

6.2 Personnel Update - Retirement Notice

Superintendent Michalik shared the intention to retire received from Karen Haluschak, principal at Windsor Park Collegiate, effective June 30, 2022.

6.3 Personnel Update - Transfers

2021-123

Moved by Trustee Landry

Seconded by Trustee Turner

THAT the following transfers be effective August 1, 2022:

- Todd Tyler as vice-principal to J. H. Bruns Collegiate
- Heather McCorrister as vice-principal to Dakota Collegiate
- Robbie Mager as principal to Windsor Park Collegiate

CARRIED

6.4 Personnel Update - Appointments

2021-124

Moved by Trustee Page

Seconded by Trustee Sigurdson

THAT the following appointments be effective August 1, 2022:

- Shauna Archer as principal to Frontenac School
- Susan Ciastko as principal to St. George School
- Robin Plouffe-Hingley as vice-principal to Hastings School
- Greg Kiesman as vice-principal to Louis Riel Arts & Technology
- Lisa Monson as vice-principal to Frontenac School
- Cyril Indome as vice-principal to St. George School
- Laura Kellough as vice-principal to Darwin School
- Carly Friesen as vice-principal to Windsor Park Collegiate

CARRIED

7. INFORMATION TO THE BOARD - Part I

7.1 Pandemic Updates

There were no questions asked or clarification required regarding pandemic updates.

7.2 Change to LRSD's Land Acknowledgement

Superintendent Michalik shared that members of the Senior Leadership Team (SLT) met with the Manitoba Métis Federation to discuss changes to our Land Acknowledgement. Effective immediately, we will reference the land of the Red River Métis in our Land Acknowledgement.

7.3 Continuing our Conversations with Families of Schools in the Southeast Quadrant

Superintendent Michalik and Assistant Superintendent Murray advised that since our last meeting, they have met with families and continue to meet with staff and students.

The proposed recommendations to solve the demographic dynamics and enrolment pressures in English and French Immersion programs in grades K-12 in the Southeast Quadrant of LRSD were further detailed.

7.4 Collège Jeanne-Sauvé (CJS) Classroom Addition

Superintendent Michalik and Amarbeer Bhandari, Director of Facilities, Maintenance and Transportation, shared an update regarding the CJS classroom addition project. June 13 is set as the target date to start demolition of four portable classrooms and June 22 is the target date to start renovations to classrooms. Regular updates will be provided at future meetings.

7.5 Enrolment Report - May 2022

Superintendent Michalik provided an enrolment report as of May 17, 2022.

7.6 Murray Field Update

Superintendent Michalik shared an update regarding the evolving signage at Murray Field. This sign acknowledges the founders, builders and supporters. We want to acknowledge DCI Alumni as the latest addition the sign. The other update is the basketball court surface which has been causing problems, will be replaced by the vendor at no cost to the division.

7.7 Poverty in Education - High School Student Survey and Request for Multimedia Submissions

The Acting Chair and Superintendent Michalik shared an important opportunity for students to engage with the provincial government. We are hoping students will complete the survey and provide ideas on how to solve poverty in our society.

7.8 Monthly Updates Regarding Communications Metrics

The Acting Chair provided the April report on communications metrics.

8. POLICY

8.1 Policy Review Committee Update - Policy ACH - Second Reading

2021-125

Moved by Trustee Page

Seconded by Trustee Landry

THAT Policy ACH - Diversity, Equity & Inclusion, reviewed by the Superintendent's Policy Review Committee, receive second reading; and

THAT Policy ACH be further reviewed in committee and brought back for third reading at a future date.

CARRIED

8.2 Policy Review Committee - Policy ACH Appendices A and B - First Reading

2021-126

Moved by Trustee Turner

Seconded by Trustee Parker

THAT Policy ACH appendices reviewed by the Superintendent's Policy Committee and listed below receive first reading and be further reviewed in committee and brought back for second reading at a future date.

- Policy ACH - Appendix A - Supporting Information
- Policy ACH - Appendix B - Glossary of Terms

CARRIED

8.3 Policy Review Committee Update - Ratification of Amendment

2021-127

Moved by Trustee Parker

Seconded by Trustee Sigurdson

THAT the following list of policies be amended:

- Policy IJ - Learning Resource and Materials
- Policy IJA - Procedures for the Reconsideration of Learning Resources and Materials
- Policy IJL - Library Resources and Materials Selection

CARRIED

9. CORRESPONDENCE

9.1 School Board Correspondence – Received

The following correspondence will be received by the Board:

Manitoba Education:

- (Page 1) Letter from Hon. Minister Ewasko RE: Enhancing Protections for Students (May 11, 2022)

Education Funding Branch:

- None

General:

- (Page 3) Email from M. McAvoy (April 30, 2022)
- (Page 4) Email from S. Beer (May 3, 2022)
- (Page 6) Email from P. Allan (May 9, 2022)
- (Page 7) Email from M. McAvoy (May 11, 2022)

9.2 Manitoba School Boards Association (MSBA) Correspondence – Received

The following MSBA correspondence was received by the Board:

Labour Relations:

- None

General MSBA Correspondence:

- (Page 1) City of Winnipeg By-Law No. 61/2022 (April 28, 2022)
- (Page 3) e-bulletin (May 4, 2022)

10. ACTION ITEMS

10.1 Temporary Change to Shamrock School Catchment

This item is deferred, and will return to a Regular Board Meeting, at the soonest, on June 7, 2022, to allow more time for further Board deliberation.

10.2 Program Designation of Second Elementary School in Sage Creek

2021-128

Moved by Trustee Parker

Seconded by Trustee Page

THAT having received the Superintendent's report and recommendation to address enrolment challenges in the southeast quadrant of the school division as information, and;

THAT the following motion be adopted:

WHEREAS École Sage Creek School does not have sufficient capacity to accommodate all Kindergarten to Grade 8 students from both the English program and the French Immersion program, and;

WHEREAS the Louis Riel School Board and its divisional administration have consulted government officials and community members regarding the need for a second elementary school in Sage Creek with a proposed capacity of 850 students, and;

WHEREAS the provincial government authorized land acquisition for said school in December 2020 and the Louis Riel School Board purchased 7.22 acres of land for said school in May 2021, and;

WHEREAS the Louis Riel School Board currently awaits an announcement from the provincial government authorizing the design and construction of said school, and;

WHEREAS current enrolment data indicate that, year over year, a greater number of Sage Creek families are choosing the French Immersion program for their children, and;

WHEREAS the Louis Riel School Division is experiencing overcrowding and unsustainable growth at École Van Belleghem related to the Bonavista residential development, and;

WHEREAS the Louis Riel School Board and its divisional administration have reviewed current and historic enrolments, enrolment projections, school capacities, and planning scenarios to address this specific challenge, and;

WHEREAS the Louis Riel School Board and its divisional administration have engaged the Windsor Park Collegiate, J. H. Bruns Collegiate and Collège Béliveau Families of Schools in a series of meetings, from March to May 2022, related to historic and future demographic changes in the southeast quadrant of the school division, and;

WHEREAS this consultation process has provided an opportunity for the community to review the results of our research, analysis, and criteria and to provide invaluable perspectives to inform the objective of developing an achievable long-term solution to address current and projected enrolment challenges:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

- THAT the Board designate the existing building at 315 Sage Creek Boulevard to serve Kindergarten to Grade 8 English program students residing in Sage Creek once a second LRSD elementary school opens its doors in the community; and,
- THAT the Board designate the second elementary school, situated at the southeast corner of the western intersection of Warde Avenue and Robert Bockstael Drive, to serve Kindergarten to Grade 8 French Immersion program students residing in Sage Creek and Bonavista; and,
- THAT, once a second LRSD elementary school opens its doors in Sage Creek, parents of students residing in Bonavista and registered at École Van Belleghem be given the option to have their child complete their elementary schooling at École Van Belleghem or to enrol at the new school.

CARRIED

11. INFORMATION TO THE BOARD - Part II

11.1 Notice of Motion – Change to Building Assignment of Windsor Park Collegiate and Collège Béliveau, Effective 2024-2025

The Acting Chair provided context to the following proposed Board motion to be brought forward at the June 7 Regular Board Meeting:

THAT an exchange of the Windsor Park Collegiate and Collège Béliveau buildings is the most optimal, sustainable, and achievable solution to the changing enrolment patterns in the southeast quadrant of the school division; and

THAT this change be implemented effective September 3, 2024; and

THAT the Board designate renovations of the Windsor Park Collegiate and Collège Béliveau buildings as a capital project request with the provincial government.

11.2 Notice of Motion - Change to J. H. Bruns Collegiate and Windsor Park Collegiate Catchment Areas, Effective 2024-2025

The Acting Chair provided context to the following proposed Board motion to be brought forward at the June 7 Regular Board Meeting:

THAT redesignation of J. H. Bruns Collegiate as the catchment area high school for English program high school students is the most optimal, sustainable, and achievable solution to the changing enrolment patterns in the southeast quadrant of the school division; and

THAT this change be implemented effective September 3, 2024, for students residing in Sage Creek entering Grade 9; and

THAT students residing in Sage Creek registered in Grades 10, 11, and/or 12 at Windsor Park Collegiate on September 3, 2024 be permitted to remain at Windsor Park Collegiate through to the end of their high school studies; and

THAT the Board designate an expansion and renovations of J. H. Bruns Collegiate as a capital project request with the provincial government.

12. PUBLIC FORUM

The following members of the public were in attendance and had the opportunity to ask questions for information or clarification from items on this evening's agenda:

- Amber Zetaruk
- Andrew Taylor
- Angele Parrington
- Asif Mohamed
- Caelin Ciastko
- Candice LeBlanc
- Carly Friesen
- Carol Bitchok
- Carole Bonin
- Chantel Stadnyk
- Charlene Edye-Rowntree
- Charlene Sacher
- Cheryl Lisowski
- Christine Stephenson
- Curt Krahn
- Cyril Indome

- Derrick Sheldon
- Dina Almeida
- Jason Hildebrandt
- Jay McGurran
- Joanne DeCruyenaere
- Jodi Montgomery
- Justin Bell
- Kandis Welbers
- Karen Duffield
- Karen Ross
- Karen Winnicky
- Kikelomo Adeyinka
- Kimberley Adair-Gagnon
- Kirk Goodlet
- Krista Labossiere
- Lisa McLellan-Bowes
- Lisa Tymchuk
- Maggie Macintosh
- Marcela Cabezas
- Marcie McAvoy
- Michele Casey
- Michelle Bacon
- Rebecca Sands
- Robbie Mager
- Rose Pagtakhan
- Sandra-Dee Beer
- Sara Decker-Razos
- Scott Wood
- Sharmila Sukhan
- Shauna Archer
- Shelly Hopper
- Sia Erlendson
- Susan Ciastko
- Tracy Riel
- Travis Barnett
- Trichia Gannon
- Tricia Bailey Sauve
- Warren Nightingale

13. ADJOURNMENT

The May 17 Regular Meeting adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

“Original signed by S. Nemeth”

Chair (Acting)

“Original signed by J. Rudnicki”

Secretary-Treasurer