

**MINUTES OF THE**

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE LOUIS RIEL SCHOOL DIVISION BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Tuesday, June 7, 2022, 6:30 P.M.  
50 Monterey Road, Winnipeg  
Hybrid Meeting

**BOARD MEMBERS:** Louise Johnston, Chair  
Sandy Nemeth, Vice-Chair  
Pamela Kolochuk, Trustee, virtual  
Josie Landry, Trustee  
Robert Page, Trustee  
Tom Parker, Trustee  
Chris Sigurdson, Trustee  
Cindy Turner, Trustee, virtual  
Neil Vadeboncoeur, 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  
Darcy Cormack, Assistant Superintendent Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Services  
Clarke Hagan, Director of Information Technology Systems  
Michelle Jean-Paul, Divisional Principal, virtual  
Deneen Madden, Executive Assistant  
Lexi Muise, Executive Assistant  
Marlene Murray, Assistant Superintendent Student Services, virtual

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The June 7 Regular Meeting of the Louis Riel School Division (LRSD) Board of Trustees was called to order by Louise Johnston, 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 Red River 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 – June 7, 2022**

2021-129

Moved by Trustee Vadeboncoeur

Seconded by Trustee Page

THAT the June 7 agenda for the Regular Board Meeting be approved.

CARRIED

### **2.2 Approval of Minutes of Regular Board Meeting – May 17, 2022**

As there were no changes, the May 17 minutes of the Regular Board Meeting were accepted as distributed.

Ron Cadez, Divisional Principal, joined the meeting at 6:35 p.m.

## **3. LRSD NEWS**

### **3.1 News from the Board of Trustees Provided by Trustee Page**

I would like to highlight the following:

- On June 3, Audrey Gordon, Minister of Health and MLA for Southdale, was in attendance to award Shamrock Parent Advisory Council (PAC) with a \$46,840 Community Development Grant, which is part of the Manitoba Government's Building Sustainable Communities Program. These funds will help support expenses of more than \$90,000 to build an outdoor cultural and recreational facility on the

east side of Shamrock School's playing field. The site will be physically accessible to all children and will include outdoor instruments (drums) once completed.

- On June 5, the Dakota Collegiate Lancers won the Manitoba School Dragon Boat Challenge which was held at the Manitoba Canoe and Kayak Club. The Lancers' mixed team won the overall 500 metre event, setting a new record of 2 minutes and 6 seconds. Jennifer Berven, Student Services Teacher at Dakota Collegiate, and Raena Thompson, Physical Education Teacher at Dakota Collegiate, were in attendance and thrilled with the results. It was their students' day, but these wonderful memories are only possible because of the time invested by supportive teachers and staff.

### 3.2 News from Superintendent Michalik

I want to highlight the following stories:

- On May 27, in many of our schools, and specifically at Marion School, staff and students marked the one-year anniversary of the announcement that unmarked graves were found at the site of a former residential school in Kamloops, BC.
- Students were honoured at a Junior Achievement Awards Ceremony, and we celebrated those achievements in a spotlight story and on social media.
- June is Pride Month on Sunday, June 5, LRSD staff and students participated in the annual Pride Parade. According to the organizers, it was the largest turnout since the division started participating. I want to acknowledge Robbie Scott, teacher from Dakota Collegiate, for once again bringing together community.
- I would like to congratulate three students, Tristan Arnold from Glenlawn Collegiate, Adam Thompson from Collège Jeanne-Sauvé, and Thomas Kiesman from Dakota Collegiate, for their contributions to the Junior Bison Volleyball Club as they won the 2022 U18 Men's Canadian National Volleyball Championship in Edmonton. Thomas was also named the tournament MVP.
- The revitalization project at Nelson McIntyre, which includes students reimagining green space, was shared in the Winnipeg Free Press this week.
- Students at Minnetonka School recently raised \$800 to provide assistance to those impacted by the ongoing crisis in Ukraine.
- The Tigers' Den Entrepreneurship Conference was held virtually for a second consecutive year. The event involves high school students sharing ideas that can make a difference to everyday citizens. Thank you to Adriano Magnifico and other staff members for their support on this project.
- On May 26, the Board gathered with valued guests to celebrate the past three years of retirements. On June 1, we honoured staff who were celebrating a years of service milestone. It was so nice to come together in person.
- [Never too old to learn to ride a bike](#) is a story in the Winnipeg Free Press about a free eight-week course provided by LRSD in partnership with the Winnipeg Repair

Education and Cycling Hub (WRENCH) for parents and caregivers who want to learn to ride a bike.

- [Planting ideas in young minds](#) in the Free Press Community Review: East is a story about Alexandra Mason, a student at Nelson McIntyre Collegiate, who has provided climate lessons with garden boxes through project-based learning.
- June 7 is World Food Safety Day 2022, where schools do their part in ensuring those life skills are recognized.

#### 4. PRESENTATIONS TO THE BOARD

##### 4.1 Mamàhtawisiwin: The Wonder We Are Born With - An Indigenous Education Policy Framework

Assistant Superintendent Cormack provided an overview of [Mamàhtawisiwin: The Wonder We are Born With, an Indigenous Education Policy Framework](#) created by the Province of Manitoba. The following members made a presentation:

- Joël Tétrault , Teacher, Indigenous Student Support Team
- Lisa Monson, Teacher, Divisional Learning Team
- Shannon Timlick, Teacher, Divisional Learning Team

#### 5. FINANCE AND AUDIT

##### 5.1 Borrowing Bylaw - First, Second and Third Reading

Tom Parker, Trustee left the meeting at 7:04 p.m.

Tom Parker, Trustee joined the meeting at 7:08 p.m.

2021-130

Moved by Trustee Landry

Seconded by Trustee Vadeboncoeur

THAT the Procedural By-Law requirement of Section I.3 regarding the limit to two readings at any one meeting be suspended with leave; and,

THAT Secretary-Treasurer Rudnicki read first, second and third time short, Bylaw 20212022-005 providing for the borrowing of moneys upon the credit of the said School Division to meet current expenses; and finally be adopted.

CARRIED

##### 5.2 Shared Services Agreements

2021-131

Moved by Trustee Page

Seconded by Trustee Nemeth

THAT the Louis Riel School Division enter into shared service agreements for the services for the following independent schools for the 2022-2023 school year:

- Beautiful Savior Lutheran School - clinical services and practical arts services
- Christ the King School- clinical services and practical arts services
- Holy Cross School - clinical services and practical arts services
- Springs Christian Academy - clinical services
- Boniface Diocesan High School - clinical services and practical arts services
- St. Emile Catholic School – clinical services and practical arts services

CARRIED

### **5.3 Request from Wayne Ruff for Interim Financing**

2021-132

Moved by Trustee Parker

Seconded by Trustee Landry

THAT the Board approve a \$10,000 repayable line of credit to the Glenlawn Alumni Association to support the upfront costs incurred for the Glenlawn 100<sup>th</sup> Reunion celebration; and,

THAT the Glenlawn Alumni Association repay the division any outstanding balance by June 30, 2023.

CARRIED

## **6. STAFFING**

### **6.1 Personnel Update - Divisional Principal of Instructional Services**

2021-133

Moved by Trustee Sigurdson

Seconded by Trustee Parker

THAT Julie Cote-Marinelli be appointed Divisional Principal of Instructional Services effective August 1, 2022.

CARRIED

### **6.2 Personnel Update - Transfers**

2021-134

Moved by Trustee Page

Seconded by Trustee Sigurdson

THAT the following be transferred effective August 1, 2022:

- Shelly Hopper as principal at Nelson McIntyre Collegiate
- Karen Duffield as principal at Shamrock School
- Lisa Albrecht as vice-principal to École Sage Creek School

CARRIED

### **6.3 Personnel Update - Appointments**

2021-135

Moved by Trustee Nemeth

Seconded by Trustee Sigurdson

THAT the following be appointed effective August 1, 2022:

- Megan Vankoughnett as principal at J. H. Bruns Collegiate
- Ingrid Pedersen as vice-principal at J. H. Bruns Collegiate
- Alexander Peniuta as Supervisor of Well-Becoming
- Amber Zetaruk as Supervisor of Student and Family Services

CARRIED

## **7. INFORMATION TO THE BOARD**

### **7.1 Pandemic Updates**

Superintendent Michalik provided pandemic updates and answered trustee questions regarding the staff and student reported absence dashboards.

### **7.2 Notice of Motion - École Varennes Building**

Superintendent Michalik shared a slide deck about a building assessment of École Varennes and provided context to the proposed Board motion to be brought forward at the June 21 Regular Board Meeting:

- THAT the Board designate the construction of a new single-track French Immersion school to replace École Varennes as a priority capital project request with the provincial government; and,
- THAT the new school be constructed on the grounds of the current school; and,
- THAT the capacity of the new school be sufficient to serve current and projected enrolment for the current catchment area; and,
- THAT the current school continue to serve Kindergarten to Grade 8 students during the construction process; and,
- THAT any essential maintenance on the current building be performed in the interim.

### **7.3 Administrator Meeting - May 25, 2022**

Superintendent Michalik shared an update from the May 25 meeting with administrators. The focus of the meeting was student, staff and leadership's Greatest Areas of Need. The next meeting with administrators is scheduled for June 9 to

synthesize our learning with the Indigenous Education Team and to co-create the journey for staff learning next year.

#### **7.4 Update to Superintendents - June 1, 2022, from Manitoba Education and Early Childhood Learning**

Superintendent Michalik shared the slide deck provided by the Province of Manitoba from the June 1, 2022, update to superintendents with the following items on the agenda:

- COVID-19 Response Planning
- K to 12 Framework for Continuous Improvement Renewal
- Preliminary analysis on the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on student achievement and learning behaviours.

Robert Page, Trustee left the meeting at 7:42 p.m.

Robert Page, Trustee joined the meeting at 7:44 p.m.

### **8. CORRESPONDENCE**

#### **8.1 School Board Correspondence – Received**

The following correspondence will be received by the Board:

Manitoba Education:

- (Page 1) Letter from Deputy Minister Rudy RE: Manitoba's K to 12 Education Action Plan (May 19, 2022)

Education Funding Branch:

- None

General:

- (Page 2) Email from S. Erlendson (May 13, 2022)
- (Page 5) Email from S. Decker-Razos (May 13, 2022)
- (Page 6) Email from I. Bindi (May 14, 2022)
- (Page 9) Email from S. Decker-Razos (May 15, 2022)
- (Page 10) Email from T. and K. Sine (May 15, 2022)
- (Page 11) Email from P. Allan (May 16, 2022)
- (Page 12) Email from J. Ducharme (May 16, 2022)
- (Page 14) Email from I. Prokipchuk (May 16, 2022)
- (Page 20) Email from D. McAvoy (May 17, 2022)
- (Page 22) Email from S. Decker-Razos (May 18, 2022)
- (Page 23) Email from S. Beer (May 26, 2022)
- (Page 26) Email from D. McAvoy (May 27, 2022)

- (Page 27) Copy of a letter sent to all Riel-Evate Endowment Fund bursary recipients (June 2022)
- (Page 28) Letter from L. Doyle (June 1, 2022)

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

The following MSBA correspondence was received by the Board:

Labour Relations:

- None

General MSBA Correspondence:

- (Page 1) Memo RE: Renewed Call for Mentors (May 18, 2022)
- (Page 2) Equity Audit Webinar Series with Tana Turner
- (Page 3) e-bulletin (May 18, 2022)
- (Page 4) CSBA Congress - accommodations
- (Page 5) Email RE: 2022 School Trustee Elections
- (Page 6) e-bulletin (June 1, 2022)

## **9. ACTION ITEMS**

### **9.1 Temporary Change to Shamrock School Catchment**

The following trustees voted against the motion:

- Trustee Josie Landry
- Trustee Tom Parker
- Trustee Cindy Turner

2021-136

Moved by Trustee Nemeth

Seconded by Trustee Page

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

WHEREAS the Louis Riel School Division Board of Trustees (the Board) and its divisional administration have consulted with government officials and community members about the need for a second elementary school in Sage Creek; and,

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



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

WHEREAS the Louis Riel School Division is experiencing unsustainable growth at Windsor Park Collegiate and the school will experience overcrowding beginning in 2022-2023 if left unchecked; and,

WHEREAS said overcrowding and unsustainable growth were forecast when English program students in Grades 7 and 8 English living in Sage Creek were temporarily reassigned to Windsor Park Collegiate beginning in 2019-2020; and,

WHEREAS, at the time of said temporary reassignment, divisional administration advised of the need to develop and, if necessary, implement alternative solutions should a second elementary school in Sage Creek not open by 2022-2023; and,

WHEREAS English program students residing in Sage Creek have been temporarily attending Shamrock School for Grades 5 and 6 since 2020-2021; and,

WHEREAS the 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 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 and enrolment pressures 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 perspectives to inform the objective of developing an achievable temporary solution to address current and projected enrolment challenges; and,

WHEREAS a timely decision is required in order to implement this solution for September 2022; and,

WHEREAS Shamrock School has ample room to accommodate additional students:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

THAT the Board approve the temporary change to the catchment area for Shamrock School to include Grade 5, 6, & 7 English Program students residing in Sage Creek in 2022-2023; and,

THAT the Board approve the temporary change to the catchment area for Shamrock School to include Grade 5, 6, 7 & 8 English Program students residing in Sage Creek in 2023-2024 and until a second elementary school in Sage Creek opens its doors.

CARRIED

## **9.2 Change to Building Assignment of Windsor Park Collegiate and Collège Béliveau, Effective 2024-2025**

The following trustees voted against the motion:

- Trustee Josie Landry
- Trustee Tom Parker
- Trustee Cindy Turner

2021-137

Moved by Trustee Vadeboncoeur

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,

WHEREAS Collège Béliveau has been experiencing enrolment pressures as a Grade 7 to 12 school since 2014; and,

WHEREAS the Louis Riel School Division Board of Trustees (the Board) has mitigated said pressures by transitioning elementary schools in the Collège Béliveau Family of Schools to serve Grades 7 and 8 students in their local neighbourhoods; and,

WHEREAS demographic projections indicate that Collège Béliveau will face even greater overcrowding after the last Grade 7 and 8 students have left (coincident with the opening of the new elementary school in Sage Creek in 2025-2026); and,

WHEREAS the changes to Windsor Park Collegiate's grade configuration (proposed in Item 9.1, Motion 2021-136) and catchment area (proposed in Item 9.3, Motion 2021-138) will effect a corresponding decline in student enrolment; and,

WHEREAS the enrolment of French Immersion students at Collège Béliveau will significantly surpass the enrolment of English program students at Windsor Park Collegiate beginning in 2024-2025; and,

WHEREAS Collège Béliveau currently occupies the 86,387 sq. ft. building at 296 Speers Road and Windsor Park Collegiate the 105,000 sq. ft. building at 1015 Cottonwood Road; and,

WHEREAS the Board and its divisional administration have reviewed current and historic enrolments, enrolment projections, school capacities, and planning scenarios to address enrolment pressures in schools in its southeast quadrant; and,

WHEREAS the 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 and enrolment pressures 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 perspectives to inform the objective of developing an achievable sustainable solution to address current and projected enrolment challenges:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

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 Sept. 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.

CARRIED

**9.3 Change to J. H. Bruns Collegiate and Windsor Park Collegiate Catchment Areas, Effective 2024-2025**

The following trustees voted against the motion:

- Trustee Josie Landry
- Trustee Tom Parker
- Trustee Cindy Turner

2021-138

Moved by Trustee Page

Seconded by Trustee Nemeth

WHEREAS temporary changes to Shamrock School's catchment area (proposed in Item 9.1, Motion 2021-135) will see Shamrock School serve Grade 5, 6, & 7 English Program students residing in Sage Creek in 2022-2023 and Grade 5, 6, 7 & 8 English Program students residing in Sage Creek in 2023-2024 and until a second elementary school in Sage Creek opens its doors; and,

WHEREAS Shamrock School is part of the J. H. Bruns Collegiate Family of Schools; and,

WHEREAS it is desirable for students residing in Sage Creek to continue on to high school with their classmates from Shamrock School residing in Southdale and Southland Park; and,

WHEREAS J. H. Bruns Collegiate is in closer proximity to Sage Creek than Windsor Park Collegiate; and,

WHEREAS Windsor Park Collegiate will no longer have sufficient capacity to welcome students residing in Sage Creek owing to changes to building designation (proposed in Item 9.2, Motion 2021-137); and,

WHEREAS the Louis Riel School Division Board of Trustees (the 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 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 and enrolment pressures 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 perspectives to inform the objective of developing an achievable sustainable solution to address current and projected enrolment challenges:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

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 Sept. 3, 2024, for students residing in Sage Creek entering Grade 9; and,

THAT, notwithstanding the foregoing, the Board afford priority consideration to Schools of Choice requests from families residing in Sage Creek but wishing to attend Windsor Park Collegiate for Grades 9 to 12; 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.

CARRIED

## 10. 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

- Cameron Fortier
- Candice LeBlanc
- Carol Bitchok
- Carole Bonin
- Chantel Stadnyk
- Christine Stephenson
- Curtis Lowton
- Cyril Indome
- Derrick Sheldon
- Dina Almeida
- Ina Prokipchuk
- Ingrid Pedersen
- Jason Hildebrandt
- Jay McGurran
- Jill Holmes
- Jodi Montgomery
- Julie Cote-Marinelli
- Justin Bell
- Kandis Welbers
- Karen Duffield
- Karen Haluschak
- Karen Winnicky
- Kathleen Atkin
- Kikelomo Adeyinka (Kike Unstoppable)
- Kimberley Adair-Gagnon
- Lisa McLellan-Bowes
- Lori Miller
- Marcela Cabezas
- Marcie McAvoy
- Margaret Whitlaw
- Marnie Wilson
- Mary Itsekor
- Michelle Bacon
- Mike Heilmann
- Nicholas Kelly
- Nicole Mager
- Rebecca Sands
- Rose Pagtakhan
- Sandra-Dee Beer
- Sandy Lethbridge

- Sara Decker
- Scott Wood
- Sharmila Sukhan
- Shauna Archer
- Shawna Kennedy
- Shelly Hopper
- Sia Erlendson
- Susan Ciastko
- Trichia Gannon
- Vicki Depauw

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

The June 7 Regular Meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

“Original signed by L. Johnston”

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Chair

“Original signed by J. Rudnicki”

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Secretary-Treasurer