

MINUTES OF THE

REGULAR MEETING OF THE LOUIS RIEL SCHOOL DIVISION BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Tuesday, October 3, 2023, 6:30 p.m.
50 Monterey Road, Winnipeg
Hybrid Meeting

BOARD MEMBERS: Sandy Nemeth, Chair, virtual
Chris Sigurdson, Vice-Chair
Darlene Gerrior, Trustee
Irene Nordheim, Trustee
Ryan Palmquist, Trustee
Chipalo Simunyola, Trustee

REGRETS: Francine Champagne, Trustee
Pamela Kolochuk, Trustee
Cindy Turner, Trustee

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Christian Michalik, Superintendent & CEO
Jamie Rudnicki, Secretary-Treasurer & CFO
Jeff Anderson, Assistant Superintendent Policy, Planning & Research
Ron Cadez, Director of School and Classroom Support, virtual
Darcy Cormack, Assistant Superintendent Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Services
Clarke Hagan, Director of Information Technology Services
Michelle Jean-Paul, Assistant Superintendent Staff Services
Deneen Madden, Executive Assistant
Marlene Murray, Assistant Superintendent Student Services
Lenore Polvorosa, Executive Assistant

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Oct. 3 Regular Board Meeting of the Louis Riel School Division (LRSD) Board of Trustees was called to order by Chris Sigurdson, Vice-Chair, LRSD Board of Trustees at 6:36 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

The Vice-Chair welcomed everyone participating in the hybrid meeting and advised that Board meetings are audio recorded for accuracy. Unless approved, photographs, personal recordings, audio, visual or otherwise, are not permitted.

1.3 Affirmation of Vision and Mission

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

There was a moment of silence for a parent who recently lost their life.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES

2.1 Approval of Agenda for the Regular Board Meeting – Oct. 3, 2023

2023-017

Moved by Trustee Gerrior

Seconded by Trustee Nordheim

THAT the Oct. 3, 2023, agenda for the Regular Board Meeting be approved.

CARRIED

2.2 Approval of Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting – Sept. 19, 2023

As there were no changes, the Sept. 19 minutes of the Regular Board Meeting were accepted as distributed.

3. LRSD NEWS

3.1 News from the Board of Trustees Provided by Trustee Simunyola

Trustee Simunyola highlighted the following:

- Recently, École Guyot hosted a welcome back outdoor event.
- On Sept. 26, the Louis Riel Arts & Technology Centre held a soapstone carving workshop.
- The National Truth and Reconciliation Week was Sept. 25 to Sept. 30, and on Sept. 29, the division honoured Orange Shirt Day.
- Choral Celebration will take place on Nov. 8 at the Centennial Concert Hall.

3.2 News from Senior Leadership (SLT) Team Provided by Assistant Superintendent Jean-Paul

Assistant Superintendent Jean-Paul highlighted the following:

- St. George School's Family Centre.
- Minnetonka School held a Terry Fox Run.
- Orange Shirt Day acknowledged throughout the division.

4. COMMITTEE REPORTS

4.1 Riel-Evate Endowment Fund Committee

2023-018

Moved by Trustee Nordheim

Seconded by Trustee Gerrior

THAT Trustee Simunyola be appointed Co-Chair of the Riel-Evate Endowment Fund Committee for a one-year term, effective immediately.

CARRIED

5. BOARD EDUCATION

5.1 Annual Report to the Community (ARC) for 2022-2023

Superintendent Michalik facilitated a trustee conversation focused on a few articles in the ARC for the 2022-2023 school year.

6. STAFFING

6.1 Personnel Update - Retirement Notice

Superintendent Michalik shared Assistant Superintendent Marlene Murray's notice to retire, effective Dec. 31, 2023.

7. CHAIR INFORMATION TO THE BOARD

7.1 Education Partners Standing Together for Safe Schools

The Vice-Chair shared the Sept. 26 media release entitled, *Education Partners Standing Together for Safe Schools*, from the five organizations, commonly referred to as the public education partners, which includes:

- Manitoba Association of Parent Councils
- Manitoba Association of School Business Officials
- Manitoba Association of School Superintendents
- Manitoba School Boards Association
- The Manitoba Teachers' Society

8. SENIOR LEADERSHIP TEAM INFORMATION TO THE BOARD

8.1 Capital Project Updates

Capital project updates regarding the following schools was shared:

- Marion School
- Collège Jeanne-Sauvé
- The new French Immersion school serving Sage Creek/Bonavista

8.2 Oct. 3, 2023, Day of Professional Learning

Superintendent Michalik shared highlights from the day of learning that took place today which was focused on the Multi-Year Strategic Plan (MYSP) for the next four years and bringing it to life.

8.3 Leadership Team Retreat Oct. 11 and 12, 2023

Superintendent Michalik shared the plan for the Leadership Team Retreat to be held on Oct. 11 and 12, 2023, with a focus on the MYSP, and integrating Indigenous teachings with an emphasis on land-based learning.

8.4 Winnipeg Free Press Article: Permission slips raise parental concerns

Superintendent Michalik brought clarity to a recent article published in the Winnipeg Free Press: *Permission slips raise parental concerns*.

9. POLICY

9.1 Policy Review Committee Update - Policy EEAB - Third Reading

2023-019

Moved by Trustee Gerrior

Seconded by Trustee Nordheim

THAT Policy EEAB - Seat Restraints, reviewed by the Policy Review Committee receive third reading and finally be adopted.

CARRIED

9.2 Policy Review Committee - Ratification of Amendment

2023-020

Moved by Trustee Gerrior

Seconded by Trustee Nemeth

THAT the following policy and supporting documents be amended:

- Policy JRA - Pupil Files/Student Records
 - Administrative Protocols

- Authorization for Exchange of Information
- Transfer of the Pupil File Checklist

CARRIED

10. CORRESPONDENCE

10.1 School Board Correspondence – Received

The following correspondence was received on behalf of the Board:

Manitoba Education and Early Childhood Learning (MEECL):

- (Page 1) Email from the Indigenous Inclusion Directorate (Sept. 22, 2023)

Education Funding Branch:

- None

General:

- (Page 3) Thank you card from M. Navasca
- (Page 4) Email from S. Neustaedter (Sept. 27, 2023)
- (Page 7) Email from D. Johnson (Sept. 27, 2023)

10.2 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: Association Email Distribution (Group) Lists (Sept. 20, 2023)
- (Page 3) Equity and Racial Justice Project postcard
- (Page 5) Memo RE: Student Accident Insurance and Provincial Health Coverage (Sept. 27, 2023)
- (Page 8) Localizing SDGs Project National Tour
- (Page 9) Memo RE: Rotary's Model United Nations Assembly (MUNA) May 2 – 4, 2024 (Sept. 27, 2023)
- (Page 10) e-bulletin (Sept. 27, 2023)

11. ACTION ITEMS

12. PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

The following members of the public are in attendance and had the opportunity to ask questions of clarification regarding items on this evening's agenda:

- Charlene Sacher, verified virtual
- Derrick Sheldon, verified virtual
- Jaclyn Porteous, verified virtual

- Jay McGurran, in person
- Margaret Whitlaw, verified virtual
- Susan Ciastko, verified virtual

13. ADJOURNMENT

The Oct. 3 Regular Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

“Original signed by C. Sigurdson”

Chair

“Original signed by J. Rudnicki”

Secretary-Treasurer