

MINUTES OF THE

REGULAR MEETING OF THE LOUIS RIEL SCHOOL DIVISION BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Tuesday, March 19, 2024, 6:30 p.m.
50 Monterey Road, Winnipeg
Hybrid Meeting

BOARD MEMBERS: Sandy Nemeth, Chair
Chris Sigurdson, Vice-Chair
Darlene Gerrior, Trustee
Pamela Kolochuk, Trustee
Irene Nordheim, Trustee
Ryan Palmquist, Trustee
Cindy Turner, Trustee

REGRETS: Chipalo Simunyola, Trustee

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Christian Michalik, Superintendent & CEO
Jamie Rudnicki, Secretary-Treasurer & CFO
Jeff Anderson, Assistant Superintendent Policy, Planning & Research
Amarbeer Bhandari, Director of Facilities, Maintenance and Transportation
Ron Cadez, Assistant Superintendent Student, Clinical, & Instructional Services
Darcy Cormack, Assistant Superintendent Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Services
Clarke Hagan, Director of Information Technology Services
Michelle Jean-Paul, Assistant Superintendent Staff Services
Corey, Kapilik, Director of School and Classroom Supports, virtual
Deneen Madden, Executive Assistant
Lenore Polvorosa, Executive Assistant

1. CALL TO ORDER

The March 19 Regular Board Meeting of the Louis Riel School Division (LRSD) Board of Trustees was called to order by Sandy Nemeth, Chair, LRSD Board of Trustees at 6:32 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 National 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 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 Chair read the division's Vision and Mission statements.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES

2.1 Approval of Agenda for the Regular Board Meeting – March 19, 2024

2023-065

Moved by Trustee Gerrior

Seconded by Trustee Turner

THAT the March 19 agenda for the Regular Board Meeting be approved.

CARRIED

2.2 Approval of Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting – March 5, 2024

As there were no changes, the March 5 minutes of the Regular Board Meeting were accepted as distributed.

2.3 Approval of the Minutes of the Special Board Meeting - March 12, 2024

As there were no changes, the March 12 minutes of the Special Board Meeting were accepted as distributed.

3. LRSD NEWS

3.1 News from the Board of Trustees Provided by Trustee Nordheim

Trustee Nordheim highlighted the following:

- Teams representing LRSD at the provincial level
- Musical presentations at J.H. Bruns Collegiate and at Glenlawn Collegiate

3.2 News from Senior Leadership Team (SLT) Provided by Assistant Superintendent Anderson

Assistant Superintendent Anderson highlighted the following:

- École Provencher
- École Guyot
- École Van Belleghem
- General Vanier School

4. PRESENTATIONS TO THE BOARD

4.1 Safe Routes to School and Student Patrol and Crossing Guard Experiences

Amarbeer Bhandari, Director of Facilities, Maintenance and Transportation, introduced Diane L'Arrivee, Crossing Guard Supervisor, who shared information regarding the Safe Routes to School Program. Leo Chaput and Aidan Duarte, Grade 5 students at École Van Belleghem also shared their lived experiences as student patrols.

5. FINANCE AND AUDIT

5.1 Budget 2024-2025

Secretary-Treasurer Rudnicki shared the 2024-2025 Budget spotlight story, the press release and related infographic.

6. STAFFING

6.1 Personnel Update - Termination

2023-066

Moved by Trustee Palmquist

Seconded by Trustee Sigurdson

THAT the Board terminate employee #240852, effective immediately.

CARRIED

6.2 Personnel Update - Principal Appointment

2023-067

Moved by Trustee Turner

Seconded by Trustee Gerrior

THAT Sharad Srivastava be appointed Principal at Collège Jeanne-Sauvé, effective Aug. 1, 2024.

CARRIED

7. SENIOR LEADERSHIP TEAM INFORMATION TO THE BOARD

7.1 Capital Projects Update

Superintendent Michalik, Secretary-Treasurer Rudnicki, and Assistant Superintendent Cormack provided the following updates to capital projects:

- École Sage Creek Bonavista
- Marion School
- J.H. Bruns Collegiate

7.2 Leadership Team Meeting - March 14, 2024

Superintendent Michalik shared highlights from the Leadership Team Meeting held on March 14, 2024.

7.3 Accessibility Plan Updates

Assistant Superintendent Cormack provided an update regarding the division's Accessibility Plan.

7.4 Informative Evening for Prospective Employees

Assistant Superintendent Jean-Paul shared an update about the information evening for prospective employees held on March 14, 2024.

7.5 Monthly Updates Regarding Communications Metrics

Superintendent Michalik provided the February 2024 reports on communications metrics.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

8.1 School Board Correspondence – Received

The following correspondence was received by the Board:

Manitoba Education and Early Childhood Learning (MEECL):

- (Page 1) Louis Riel poster
- (Page 3) Letter from A. Hawkins, Executive Director, RE: Occupational Therapy Services (Feb. 20, 2024)
- (Page 5) Letter and attachment from M. Pandey, Assistant Deputy Minister, RE: 2024/25 Nutrition Funding Information (March 4, 2024)
- (Page 8) Email from E. Gillespie, Director of Strategic and Horizontal Social Policy Division, RE: National Nutrition Program (March 6, 2024)
- (Page 10) Letter from B. O’Leary, Deputy Minister, RE: The Public Schools Amendment Act (March 14, 2024)

Education Funding Branch:

- (Page 12) Letter RE: École Sage Creek/Bonavista – New K-8 French Immersion School, Authorization to Award (March 8, 2024)

General:

- (Page 14) Letter from C. Pascoe (Feb. 16, 2024)
- (Page 15) Email from H. Adams (Feb. 28, 2024)
- (Page 16) Email from K. Doerksen (March 2, 2024)
- (Page 17) Email from R. Lehmann (March 3, 2024)
- (Page 19) Email from M. Rudolph (March 5, 2024)
- (Page 20) Email from J. Karpenko (March 8, 2024)
- (Page 22) Email from L. McDonald (March 8, 2024)
- (Page 23) Email from I. Prokipchuk (March 11, 2024)
- (Page 26) Copied letter from D. Busby (March 14, 2024)
- (Page 34) Copied email from MLA T. Blashko (March 14, 2024)

8.2 School Board Correspondence – Sent

The following correspondence was sent on behalf of the Board:

- (Page 1) Email to R. Lehmann (March 4, 2024)
- (Page 2) Email to L. McDonald (March 10, 2024)
- (Page 3) Email to I. Prokipchuk (March 14, 2024)

8.3 Manitoba School Boards Association (MSBA) Correspondence – Received

The following MSBA correspondence was received by the Board General MSBA Correspondence:

- (Page 1) e-bulletin (March 6, 2024)
- (Page 2) Stone Soup 12th Annual Fundraiser
- (Page 4) Rural Development Institute Newsletter (March 15, 2024)
- (Page 9) 19th Annual Aboriginal Education Research Forum – Call for Presentations
- (Page 11) MSBA 60th Annual Convention:
 - Program
 - Resolutions Package
 - Candidate Profiles
 - Rock Your Socks
- (Page 45) 19th Annual Aboriginal Education Research Forum – Registration

9. ACTION ITEMS

9.1 Nelson McIntyre Collegiate/Windsor Park Collegiate Catchment Realignment

2023-068

Moved by Trustee Sigurdson

Seconded by Trustee Nordheim

WHEREAS high school catchment areas typically align with those of the elementary schools in their corresponding Family of Schools; and,

WHEREAS this practice contributes to a sense of community and facilitates enrolment forecasting and transition planning; and,

WHEREAS enrolment pressures have compelled the Board to redesignate Waterside Estates and Camiel Sys neighbourhoods to the Marion School catchment area, effective Sept. 5, 2023, (Motion 2022-096) and to exchange building assignments of Windsor Park Collegiate and Collège Béliveau, effective Sept. 2, 2025, (Motions 2023-031 and 2021-137);

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the catchment area of Nelson McIntyre Collegiate be altered to align with the catchment areas of Marion School, Archwood School, and Nordale School; and,

THAT the catchment area of Windsor Park Collegiate be altered to align with the catchment areas of General Vanier School and Frontenac School; and,

THAT priority consideration be given to Schools of Choice applications that would see siblings attend the same high school.

CARRIED

9.2 Re-affirming Ward 1 Catchment

2023-069

Moved by Trustee Gerrior

Seconded by Trustee Kolochuk

THAT the Board re-affirm the Ward 1 catchment to include portions of the Rural Municipality of Springfield, as shown on the attached map.

CARRIED

10. PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

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

- Charlene Sacher, verified virtual
- Colleen Chaput, verified in-person
- Jay McGurran, verified virtual

- Laurent Chaput, verified in-person
- Margaret Whitlaw, verified virtual
- Scott Wood, verified in-person
- Trichia Gannon, verified virtual

11. ADJOURNMENT

The March 19 Regular Meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

"Original signed by S. Nemeth"

Chair

"Original signed by J. Rudnicki"

Secretary-Treasurer