

MINUTES OF THE

REGULAR MEETING OF THE LOUIS RIEL SCHOOL DIVISION BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Tuesday, April 16, 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
Chipalo Simunyola, Trustee
Cindy Turner, 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, virtual
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 April 16 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 6:35 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 – April 16, 2024

2023-073

Moved by Trustee Gerrior

Seconded by Trustee Palmquist

THAT the April 16 agenda for the Regular Board Meeting be approved, with the exception that Item 7.1 will be deferred to a future board meeting.

CARRIED

2.2 Approval of Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting – April 2, 2024

As there were no changes, the April 2 minutes of the Regular 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:

- Solar eclipse
- Badminton
- April 12 day for professional development
- Outstanding Educator Awards
- Brian Kornberger from Glenlawn Collegiate was awarded the Mike Spack Award

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

Assistant Superintendent Jean-Paul highlighted:

- Glenwood School
- Glenlawn Collegiate

4. PRESENTATIONS TO THE BOARD

4.1 Family Centres (FC) in 2024

Tricia Bailey-Sauvé, Divisional Vice-Principal, introduced the following people making a presentation regarding family centres (FC) in LRSD:

- Joanne Kolt, FC Coordinator at Victor Mager School FC
- Nicole Van Leeuwen, Rob Ashley, and Wilder Ashley, family utilizing services provided by Victor Mager School FC
- Alana White, Principal at Marion School
- Michelle Oakes, FC Coordinator at Marion School FC
- Rabia Haj Hassan and Razan Haj Hassan, family utilizing services provided by Marion School FC

5. COMMITTEE REPORTS

5.1 Riel-Evate Endowment Fund Committee - Year-End Report

2023-074

Moved by Trustee Sigurdson

Seconded by Trustee Simunyola

THAT the Riel-Evate Endowment Fund Committee Year-End Report for 2023/2024 be received as information; and

THAT proceeds from the Winnipeg Foundation for 2023/2024 be used to provide a bursary in the amount of \$1,500.00 to a 2024 graduating student at each LRSD high school, and at the Louis Riel Arts & Technology Centre.

CARRIED

6. FINANCE AND AUDIT

6.1 Memorandum of Agreement Between LRSD and LRTA

Secretary-Treasurer Rudnicki shared the draft Memorandum of Agreement between the Louis Riel School Division (LRSD) and the Louis Riel Teachers' Association (LRTA).

7. STAFFING

7.1 Personnel Update - Appointment of Divisional Principalships

This item has been deferred to a future meeting.

7.2 Personnel Update - Appointment of Principal - École Henri-Bergeron

2023-075

Moved by Trustee Turner

Seconded by Trustee Kolochuk

THAT Patrice Chartrand be appointed as principal at École Henri-Bergeron, effective Aug. 1, 2024.

CARRIED

7.3 Personnel Update - Appointment of Principal - École Sage Creek School

2023-076

Moved by Trustee Palmquist

Seconded by Trustee Kolochuk

THAT Jason Dubeau be appointed as principal at École Sage Creek School, effective Aug. 1, 2024.

CARRIED

7.4 Personnel Update - Transfers of Vice-Principals

2023-077

Moved by Trustee Gerrior

Seconded by Trustee Kolochuk

THAT the Board approve the following vice-principal transfers, effective Aug. 1, 2024:

- Ida Azevedo to École Guyot from École Henri-Bergeron
- Michelle Kennedy to École Sage Creek School from École Marie-Anne-Gaboury
- Paulette Sabourin to École Van Belleghem from École St. Germain

CARRIED

7.5 Personnel Update - Appointments of Vice-Principals

2023-078

Moved by Trustee Turner

Seconded by Trustee Simunyola

THAT the Board appoint Damien Lemoine as vice-principal to Collège Béliveau, effective Aug. 1, 2024.

CARRIED

2023-079

Moved by Trustee Gerrior

Seconded by Trustee Kolochuk

THAT having passed Motion 2023-075, Shannon Baxter be appointed as vice-principal to École George-McDowell, effective Aug. 1, 2024.

CARRIED

2023-080

Moved by Trustee Sigurdson

Seconded by Trustee Kolochuk

THAT having passed Motion 2023-077, the following be appointed as vice-principal, effective Aug. 1, 2024:

- Mélanie Bisson to École Henri-Bergeron
- Joy Perrott to École Marie-Anne-Gaboury
- Karlene Fontaine to École St. Germain

CARRIED

8. CHAIR INFORMATION TO THE BOARD

8.1 National School Board Association (NSBA) 2024 Annual Conference

The Chair and Vice-Chair shared their takeaways from recently attending the NSBA 2024 Annual Conference and Exposition.

9. SENIOR LEADERSHIP TEAM INFORMATION TO THE BOARD

9.1 Capital Projects Update

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

- École Sage Creek Bonavista
- Collège Jeanne-Sauvé

9.2 Draft Multi-Year Strategic Plan (MYSP) Print Publication and Poster

Superintendent Michalik shared an update regarding the draft MYSP print publication and poster.

9.3 Full-Day Kindergarten (FDK) Update

Superintendent Michalik provided an update regarding FDK.

Trustee Simunyola left the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

9.4 Leadership Team Meeting - April 10, 2024

Superintendent Michalik shared highlights from the Leadership Team Meeting held on April 10, 2024.

9.5 Monthly Updates Regarding Communications Metrics

Superintendent Michalik provided the March 2024 reports on communications metrics.

10. POLICY

10.1 Policy Review Committee Update - Ratification of Amendment

2023-081

Moved by Trustee Gerrior

Seconded by Trustee Turner

THAT Policy GDO - Performance Evaluation of Non-Teaching Staff, reviewed by the Policy Committee, be amended.

CARRIED

11. CORRESPONDENCE

11.1 School Board Correspondence – Received

The following correspondence was received by the Board:

Manitoba Education and Early Childhood Learning (MEECL):

- (Page 1) Letter and proclamation from Hon. Minister Altomare, RE: Celebrating Education Week in Manitoba April 15 to 19, 2024 (March 20, 2024)
- (Page 3) Email from R. Shaw, Executive Director, RE: High School Apprenticeship Program Educator Professional (April 10, 2024)

General:

- (Page 6) Email from D. Yurkowski (April 5, 2024)
- (Page 8) Email from R. Beattie (April 9, 2024)
- (Page 10) Email from J. Marchylo (April 9, 2024)
- (Page 11) Email from J. Dunne (April 9, 2024)
- (Page 13) Email from M. Travaglio (April 2, 2024)

11.2 Manitoba School Boards Association (MSBA) Correspondence – Received

The following MSBA correspondence was received by the Board:

General MSBA Correspondence:

- (Page 1) e-bulletin (April 3, 2024)
- (Page 2) National School Food Program
- (Page 4) Extended Reporting Period for Abuse Insurance Incidents
- (Page 5) CSBA Bulletin (Spring 2024)
- (Page 15) Education Forum: Impacts of COVID-19 on Education in Manitoba

12. ACTION ITEMS

12.1 Addressing the Enrolment Pressures at St. George School

2023-082

Moved by Trustee Nordheim

Seconded by Trustee Sigurdson

WHEREAS enrolment at St. George School has grown considerably since 2022 and is forecast to continue growing until 2027; and,

WHEREAS there is insufficient space available at St. George School to accommodate this continued growth; and,

WHEREAS Windsor School is the nearest elementary school with space available; and,

WHEREAS both schools form part of the Glenlawn Collegiate Family of Schools; and,

WHEREAS both school administrations have worked with their families to prepare them for a change in grade configuration.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

THAT the Superintendent’s report and recommendation to address enrolment challenges at St. George School be received as information; and,

THAT St. George School be redesignated to serve Kindergarten to Grade 6 students only, effective Sept. 3, 2024; and,

THAT Windsor School be designated as the catchment area school for Grade 7 and 8 students residing within the current St. George School catchment area, effective Sept. 3, 2024; and,

THAT school bus transportation be provided at no cost to families of students affected by this change; and,

THAT Senior Leadership continue to monitor enrolment patterns at both schools and advise the Board of changes.

CARRIED

13. 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
- Jaclyn Porteous, verified virtual
- Jason Dubeau, verified virtual
- Jay McGurran, verified in-person
- Jennifer Dunne, verified in-person
- Margaret Whitlaw, verified virtual
- Rose Pagtakhan, verified virtual
- Trichia Gannon, verified virtual
- Tricia Reid, verified in-person

14. ADJOURNMENT

The April 16 Regular Meeting adjourned at 8:39 p.m.

"Original signed by S. Nemeth"

Chair

"Original signed by J. Rudnicki"

Secretary-Treasurer