

**MINUTES OF THE**

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

Tuesday, May 7, 2024, 6:30 p.m.  
50 Monterey Road, Winnipeg  
Hybrid Meeting

**BOARD MEMBERS:** Chris Sigurdson, Acting Chair  
Darlene Gerior, Trustee  
Pamela Kolochuk, Trustee  
Sandy Nemeth, Trustee, virtual  
Irene Nordheim, Trustee  
Ryan Palmquist, Trustee  
Cindy Turner, Trustee, virtual

**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  
Darcy Cormack, Assistant Superintendent Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Services  
Michelle Jean-Paul, Assistant Superintendent Staff Services  
Deneen Madden, Executive Assistant  
Lenore Polvorosa, Executive Assistant  
Corey, Kapilik, Director of School and Classroom Supports, virtual

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The May 7 Regular Board Meeting of the Louis Riel School Division (LRSD) Board of Trustees was called to order by Chris Sigurdson, Acting 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 Acting 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 Acting 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 – May 7, 2024**

2023-083

Moved by Trustee Gerrior

Seconded by Trustee Kolochuk

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

CARRIED

### **2.2 Approval of Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting – April 16, 2024**

As there were no changes, the April 16 minutes of the Regular Board Meeting were accepted as distributed.

## **3. LRSD NEWS**

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

Trustee Kolochuk highlighted the following:

- Shamrock School's production of *Beauty and the Beast*
- Cure-A-Thon at Louis Riel Arts & Technology Centre
- Arts in Action
- Honour Band Concert
- Outstanding School Leader Awards
- Students playing badminton at the provincial level

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

Assistant Superintendent Cormack highlighted the following:

- 2024 MSLA Outstanding Teacher-Librarian of the Year
- Nelson McIntyre Collegiate Family of Schools day of learning
- Highbury School Highlights
- Archwood School News

**4. STAFFING**

**4.1 Personnel Update - Appointment of Divisional Principalships**

2023-084

Moved by Trustee Kolochuk

Seconded by Trustee Palmquist

THAT Nicholas Kelly be appointed as divisional principal, effective date as soon as can be arranged; and,

THAT Mia Guenther be appointed as divisional principal, effective date as soon as can be arranged.

CARRIED

**4.2 Personnel Update - Summer Learning Academy**

2023-085

Moved by Trustee Kolochuk

Seconded by Trustee Nordheim

THAT the Board appoint Justin Bell and Dionne Potapinski as principals of the Summer Learning Academy, effective July 2, 2024; and,

THAT the Board appoint Cyril Indome as vice-principal of the Summer Learning Academy, effective July 2, 2024.

CARRIED

**4.3 Personnel Update - Appointment of Principal at Minnetonka School**

2023-086

Moved by Trustee Gerrior

Seconded by Trustee Nordheim

THAT Lisa McLellan-Bowes be appointed as principal at Minnetonka School, effective Aug. 1, 2024.024.

CARRIED

**4.4 Personnel Update - Vice-Principal Transfers**

2023-087

Moved by Trustee Kolochuk

Seconded by Trustee Palmquist

THAT Dulce Creighton be transferred as vice-principal to Windsor School from École Sage Creek School, effective Aug. 1, 2024.

CARRIED

**4.5 Personnel Update - Vice-Principal Appointments**

2023-088

Moved by Trustee Kolochuk

Seconded by Trustee Gerrior

THAT having passed Motion 2023-087, Ifetayo Aremu be appointed as vice-principal to École Sage Creek School, effective Aug. 1, 2024.

CARRIED

**4.6 Personnel Update - Secondments of Clinical Supervisors**

2023-089

Moved by Trustee Gerrior

Seconded by Trustee Palmquist

THAT the Board approve the secondment of the following for a three-year term as per Article 4.02.C of the collective agreement between the Louis Riel School Division and the Louis Riel Teachers' Association, effective Aug 1, 2024:

- Alex Peniuta as Supervisor of Well-Becoming
- Lisa Tymchuk as Supervisor of Developmental Supports

CARRIED

**5. CHAIR INFORMATION TO THE BOARD**

**5.1 Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) Appreciation and Networking Event**

The Acting Chair provided an update regarding the PAC event held on April 23, 2024.

**6. SENIOR LEADERSHIP TEAM INFORMATION TO THE BOARD**

**6.1 Workplace Safety and Health Third Quarter (Q3) Report**

Assistant Superintendent Jean-Paul shared the Workplace Safety and Health Q3 Report.

**6.2 Staffing for the 2024-2025 School Year**

Assistant Superintendent Jean-Paul provided an update regarding staffing for the 2024-2025 school year.

### **6.3 Universally Accessible School Nutrition Program Update**

Superintendent Michalik and Assistant Superintendent Cormack shared an update, including a slide deck and the plan submitted on May 1, 2024.

### **6.4 Frontenac Community School Partnership Initiative Update (CSPI)**

Assistant Superintendent Cormack provided an update regarding Frontenac School being provided with an \$80,000 grant through the Community Schools Program for the 2024-2025 school year.

### **6.5 Final Version of the Multi-Year Strategic Plan (MYSP)**

Superintendent Michalik shared the plan to launch the final version of the MYSP.

### **6.6 Ethnocultural Survey**

Assistant Superintendent Cormack shared an update regarding the Ethnocultural Survey.

### **6.7 Accessibility Plan Updates**

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

## **7. CORRESPONDENCE**

### **7.1 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: May 2024 as Music Month in Manitoba (April 15, 2024)
- (Page 3) Letter from Hon. Minister Altomare, RE: Career Development Initiative Grant (April 16, 2024)
- (Page 5) Letter from A. Hawkins, Executive Director, Inclusion Support Branch, RE: After-school, summer, and school break nutrition grant program eligibility (May 1, 2024)
- (Page 7) Letter from Hon. Minister Altomare, RE: Support to Frontenac School in the Community Schools Program for the 2024-2025 school year. (May 1, 2024)

General:

- (Page 8) Email from D. Yurkowski (April 10, 2024)
- (Page 10) Email from C. Lacasse (April 17, 2024)
- (Page 11) Email from C. Lacasse (April 19, 2024)
- (Page 12) Email from J. Legary (April 18, 2024)
- (Page 17) Email from J. Legary (April 19, 2024)
- (Page 18) Email from R. Beattie (April 29, 2024)

- (Page 19) Email from D. Yurkowski (April 30, 2024)
- (Page 20) Letter from The Terry Fox Foundation (April 2024)

## **7.2 School Board Correspondence – Sent**

The following correspondence was sent on behalf of the Board:

- (Page 1) Email to C. Lacasse (April 19, 2024)
- (Page 2) Email to J. Legary (April 19, 2024)
- (Page 3) Email to R. Beattie (April 29, 2024)

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

The following MSBA correspondence was received by the Board:

General MSBA Correspondence:

- (Page 1) e-bulletin (April 17, 2024)
- (Page 2) Memo RE: 2024 TADD Leading Change Scholarship/Bursary (March 18, 2024)
- (Page 5) Memo RE: Response to requests for information (April 24, 2024)
- (Page 7) 2024 AGM Record of Proceedings
- (Page 29) e-bulletin (May 1, 2024)

## **8. ACTION ITEMS**

### **8.1 Enhancing Equity in Transportation**

2023-090

Moved by Trustee Kolochuk

Seconded by Trustee Gerrior

WHEREAS Grade 9 English program students residing in Sage Creek will transition to J.H. Bruns Collegiate beginning in September 2024 as per Board Motion 2021-138; and

WHEREAS there is no direct transit route between Sage Creek and J.H. Bruns Collegiate; and,

WHEREAS as Winnipeg Transit is planning a network restructuring in June 2025 that will address this gap in service;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Louis Riel School Division shall provide fee-for-service school bus transportation for Grade 9 students between Sage Creek and J.H. Bruns Collegiate for the 2024-2025 school year.

CARRIED

2023-091

Moved by Trustee Palmquist

Seconded by Trustee Kolochuk

WHEREAS no public transit routes provide service to Bonavista; and,

WHEREAS as Winnipeg Transit is planning a network restructuring in June 2025 that will address this gap in service;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Louis Riel School Division shall provide fee-for-service school bus transportation between Bonavista and J.H. Bruns Collegiate and Collège Béliveau for the 2024-2025 school year.

CARRIED

**9. 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:

- Jay McGurran, verified in-person
- Kandis Welbers, verified virtual
- Robert Beattie, verified in-person
- Tricia Gannon, verified virtual

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

The May 7 Regular Meeting adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

"Original signed by C. Sigurdson"

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Acting Chair

"Original signed by J. Rudnicki"

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Secretary-Treasurer