

**MINUTES OF THE**

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

Tuesday, October 1, 2024, 6:30 p.m.  
50 Monterey Road, Winnipeg  
Hybrid Meeting

**BOARD MEMBERS:** Chris Sigurdson, Chair  
Darlene Gerrior, Vice-Chair  
Pamela Kolochuk, Trustee  
Sandy Nemeth, Trustee  
Irene Nordheim, Trustee  
Ryan Palmquist, Trustee  
Chipalo Simunyola, Trustee  
Ian Walker, Trustee

**REGRETS:** 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  
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 Oct. 1 Regular Board Meeting of the Louis Riel School Division (LRSD) Board of Trustees was called to order by Chris Sigurdson, Chair, LRSD Board of Trustees at 6:33 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.

We recognize and honour Shoal Lake 40 First Nation, the source of Winnipeg's life-sustaining drinking water, as well as the Treaty Territories that generate and provide the electricity that powers daily activity throughout the province and beyond.

*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 – Oct. 1, 2024**

2024-018

Moved by Trustee Walker

Seconded by Trustee Nemeth

THAT the Oct. 1 agenda for the Regular Board Meeting be approved.

CARRIED

### **2.2 Approval of Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting – Sept. 17, 2024**

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

## **3. LRSD NEWS**

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

Trustee Nemeth highlighted the following:

- Orange Shirt Day in LRSD
- Recognizing volunteers throughout LRSD

- Trustee Gerrior re-appointed to the Manitoba School Boards Association Student Services Inclusive Education Committee

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

Assistant Superintendent Cadez provided highlights regarding:

- Niakwa Place School: Truth and Reconciliation
- École St. Germain: Michael Redhead Champagne school presentation
- Island Lakes Community School: Orange Shirt Day

## **4. PRESENTATIONS TO THE BOARD**

### **4.1 Universal School Nutrition Program Presentation**

Assistant Superintendent Cormack and Jeremy Bender, Team Leader, made a presentation to the Board regarding the Universal School Nutrition Program.

## **5. FINANCE AND AUDIT**

### **5.1 Teacher Collective Agreement Update**

Secretary-Treasurer Rudnicki provided an update regarding the Teacher Collective Agreement.

### **5.2 Promissory Note LTPS0746**

2024-019

Moved by Trustee Kolochuk

Seconded by Trustee Simunyola

THAT the issue of the Promissory Note LTPS0746, as it is deemed necessary and expedient to raise by loan the sum of \$9,425,700 on the credit of the Louis Riel School Division for the purpose of financing capital projects, be approved.

CARRIED

## **6. BOARD EDUCATION**

### **6.1 School Fundraising**

The Chair facilitated a conversation regarding school fundraising.

## **7. SENIOR LEADERSHIP TEAM INFORMATION TO THE BOARD**

### **7.1 Capital Projects Update**

Superintendent Michalik and members of the Senior Leadership Team (SLT) provided updates to capital projects regarding:

- École Sage Creek Bonavista
- Island Lakes Community School

- J.H. Bruns Collegiate

## **7.2 Staff Learning Day - Sept. 23, 2024**

Superintendent Michalik and members of the SLT provided an overview of staff learning that took place on Sept. 23, 2024.

## **7.3 Truth and Reconciliation Week in Preparation for Truth and Reconciliation Day - Sept. 30, 2024**

Superintendent Michalik and members of the SLT provided an overview of Truth and Reconciliation Week in LRSD.

# **8. POLICY**

## **8.1 Policy Roadmap for the 2024-2025 School Year**

Assistant Superintendent Anderson provided the policy roadmap for the 2024-2025 school year.

## **8.2 Policy Review Committee Update - Policies being Rescinded**

2024-020

Moved by Trustee Kolochuk

Seconded by Trustee Simunyola

THAT the following policies, reviewed by the Policy Review Committee, be rescinded, effective immediately, to ensure coherence with the provincial collective agreement between Manitoba School Boards Association and The Manitoba Teachers' Society:

- Policy GCKA - Reassignment/Transfer of Teachers
- Policy GCKB - Transfer of Administrators

CARRIED

## **8.3 Policy Review Committee Update - First Reading**

2024-021

Moved by Trustee Nemeth

Seconded by Trustee Walker

THAT the following policy, reviewed by the Policy Review Committee receive first reading and be further reviewed in committee and brought back for second and third reading at a future date:

- Policy GCQF/GDQD - Progressive Discipline: Teaching & Non-Teaching Staff
- Administrative Protocol supporting Policy GCQF/GDQD

CARRIED

**8.4 Policy Review Committee Update - Policy GBEF/JICJ - Second Reading**

2024-022

Moved by Trustee Gerrior

Seconded by Trustee Simunyola

THAT Policy GBEF/JICJ - Use of Cell Phones in Schools, reviewed by the Policy Review Committee receive second reading and be further reviewed in committee, and brought back for third and final reading at a future date.

CARRIED

**9. CORRESPONDENCE**

**9.1 School Board Correspondence – Received**

The following correspondence was received by the Board:

- (Page 1) Letter from Hon. Minister Altomare RE: Introducing Inaugural Commissioner Designate - Teacher Certification and Professional Conduct (Sept. 16, 2024)

**9.2 Manitoba School Boards Association (MSBA) Correspondence – Received**

The following MSBA correspondence be received by the Board:

- (Page 1) e-bulletin (Sept. 25, 2024)
- (Page 2) Memo RE: Provincial Bargaining Memo #20 (Sept. 27, 2024)

**10. ACTION ITEMS**

**10.1 Bylaw 20242025-001 Religious Instruction - École Van Belleghem - Second Reading**

2024-023

THAT Bylaw 20242025-001 being a bylaw to authorize the instruction of religion at École Van Belleghem during the 2024-2025 school year receive second reading and brought back for third reading at a future date.

CARRIED

**10.2 Rescheduling Oct. 15, 2024, Regular Board Meeting to Oct. 22, 2024**

2024-024

Moved by Trustee Nemeth

Seconded by Trustee Walker

THAT further to Motion #2024-005 adopted at the Annual Board Meeting of Sept. 3, 2024, due to a scheduling conflict, the regular board meeting scheduled to take place on Tuesday, Oct. 15, 2024, be rescheduled to Tuesday, Oct. 22, 2024, commencing at 6:30 p.m.; and,

THAT the special board meeting scheduled for Tuesday, Oct. 22, 2024, be cancelled and that item be included in the regular meeting agenda rescheduled to take place on Oct. 22, 2024.

CARRIED

**11. 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:

- Derrick Sheldon, virtual
- Jay McGurran
- Scott Wood, virtual

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

The Oct. 1 Regular Meeting adjourned at 8:28 p.m.

"Original signed by C. Sigurdson"  
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Chair

"Original signed by J. Rudnicki"  
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Secretary-Treasurer