

MINUTES OF THE

REGULAR MEETING OF THE LOUIS RIEL SCHOOL DIVISION BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Tuesday, December 17, 2024, 6:30 p.m.
50 Monterey Road, Winnipeg
Hybrid Meeting

BOARD MEMBERS: Chris Sigurdson, Chair
Darlene Gerrior, Vice-Chair, virtual
Pamela Kolochuk, Trustee
Sandy Nemeth, Trustee
Irene Nordheim, Trustee
Ryan Palmquist, Trustee
Cindy Turner, Trustee
Ian Walker, 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, 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 Dec. 17 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 6:30 p.m.

1.1 LRSD Land Acknowledgement Read by Trustee Kolochuk

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 – Dec. 17, 2024

2024-051

Moved by Trustee Walker

Seconded by Trustee Kolochuk

THAT the Dec. 17 agenda for the Regular Board Meeting be approved.

CARRIED

2.2 Approval of Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting – Dec. 3, 2024

As there were no changes, the Dec. 3 minutes of the Regular Board Meeting were accepted as distributed.

3. LRSD NEWS

3.1 News from the Board of Trustees Provided by Trustee Turner

Trustee Turner highlighted the following:

- Marion School's Winter Concert
- Windsor Park Collegiate Hampers

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

Assistant Superintendent Jean-Paul provided highlights regarding:

- Glenwood School Winter Concert
- St. George School - Multilingual Learners

4. PRESENTATIONS TO THE BOARD

4.1 Educators for Climate Action Delegation

The following students and representatives for Educators for Climate Action (ECA) made a delegation to the Board:

- Camille Bedard, Teacher, École Henri-Bergeron
- Quinn Dawson, Grade 6 student, École Henri-Bergeron
- Nathaniel Mercer, Grade 6 student, École Henri-Bergeron
- Suzanne Simpson, ECA member, Teacher-Librarian, École Varennes and École Provencher
- Audrey Mann, Grade 6 student, École Varennes
- Erik Eckton, Grade 6 student, École Varennes
- Isla Arnal, Grade 6 student, École Varennes
- Charlie Sawchuk, Grade 4 student, École Provencher
- Anastasia Kuerschner, Grade 4 student, École Provencher
- Jennifer Engbrecht, ECA member, Teacher, École St. Germain
- Lucy Siemens, Grade 4 student, École St. Germain
- Gabby Happychuk, Grade 4 student, École St. Germain
- Zoe Aitken, Grade 4 student, École St. Germain
- Raeesa Hoque, Grade 12 student, Collège Jeanne-Sauvé
- Heather Eckton, ECA member and parent, École Varennes

The Chair requested a five-minute recess to provide the presenters with time to exit the space and to reconfigure the boardroom.

5. FINANCE AND AUDIT

5.1 Share Your Thoughts on the 2025-2026 Budget - ThoughtExchange Dec. 4 Launch

Secretary-Treasurer Rudnicki shared an update regarding the Dec. 4 launch of the ThoughtExchange: Share Your Thoughts on the 2025-2026 Budget.

From Dec. 9 to Feb. 7, the Communications Team will promote the public budget conversations through the following avenues:

- MailChimp to staff and parents/guardians
- Social Media
- Spotlight Story

- Learning Circle
- Parent Post

6. CHAIR INFORMATION TO THE BOARD

6.1 Superintendent Evaluation - Progress Review

The Chair provided a progress report referenced by Policy CBI - Supervision/Evaluation: Superintendent of Schools, regarding conversations held with Superintendent Michalik to review the progress of the annual plan and the Board's Multi-Year Strategic Plan.

6.2 Parent Advisory Council (PAC) Contacts for 2024/2025

The Chair discussed the Parent Advisory Council (PAC) contact list recently shared with trustees and reviewed the protocol regarding visiting PACs as referenced in Section O of the Procedural By-Laws.

7. SENIOR LEADERSHIP TEAM INFORMATION TO THE BOARD

7.1 Information Evening - École Howden - Dec. 5, 2024

Assistant Superintendent Anderson shared an update from the Information Evening with École Howden families held on Dec. 5, 2024.

7.2 Information Evening - École Sage Creek/Bonavista - Dec. 9, 2024

Assistant Superintendent Anderson shared an update from the Information Evening with École Sage Creek/Bonavista families held on Dec. 9, 2024.

7.3 Information Evening - Sage Creek School - Dec. 11, 2024

Assistant Superintendent Cadez shared an update from the virtual Information Evening with Sage Creek School families held on Dec. 11, 2024.

7.4 Multi-Year Strategic Plan (MYSP) - Annual Reporting Dashboard

Superintendent Michalik shared the MYSP dashboard in the previous item 6.1.

7.5 Leadership Team Meeting - Dec. 12, 2024

Superintendent Michalik shared an overview of the Leadership Team Meeting held on Dec. 12, 2024.

7.6 Annual School Building Review Dashboard and the 2034 Plan

Superintendent Michalik shared the Annual School Building Review Dashboard and the 2034 Plan.

7.7 LRSD's Results Relative to the Provincial Assessment Program

Assistant Superintendent Cadez provided a comprehensive report regarding the following LRSD statistics:

- Grade 3 Assessment in Reading and Numeracy
- Grade 4 Assessment in French Immersion Lecture
- Grade 7 Mathematics
- Grade 8 Reading Comprehension and Expository Writing
- Grade 12 English Language Arts Standards Test
- Grade 12 Français arts langagiers — immersion 40S
- Grade 12 Applied Mathematics Achievement Test
- Grade 12 Essential Mathematics Achievement Test
- Grade 12 Pre-Calculus Mathematics Achievement Test
- Successful Grade 9 Credit Attainment
- High School Graduation Rates

7.8 Attrition and Retention in the French Immersion Program

Assistant Superintendent Anderson provided a report regarding attrition and retention in the French Immersion Program.

7.9 Accessibility Plan Updates

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

8. POLICY

8.1 Policy Review Committee - Policy GCQF-GDQD - Third Reading

2024-052

Moved by Trustee Walker

Seconded by Trustee Turner

THAT Policy GCQF-GDQD, Progressive Discipline: Teaching & Non-Teaching Staff, reviewed by the Policy Review Committee receive third reading, and finally be adopted.

CARRIED

8.2 Policy Review Committee Update - Ratification of Amendments

2024-053

Moved by Trustee Palmquist

Seconded by Trustee Turner

THAT the following list of policies be amended:

- Policy ADB - Drug-Free Schools/Workplaces
- Policy ADC - Schools/Workplaces Free of Tobacco and Electronic Vapour Devices

- Policy GCKC - Staff Development: Continuous Professional Growth
- Policy GCNA - Performance-Evaluation of Teaching Staff
 - Administrative Protocol: Evaluation of Teaching Staff

CARRIED

9. CORRESPONDENCE

9.1 School Board Correspondence – Received

The following correspondence was received by the Board: Manitoba Education and Early Childhood General:

- (Page 1) Email from G. Meade (Dec. 3, 2024)
- (Page 3) Email from R. Bjorn (Dec. 5, 2024)

9.2 School Board Correspondence – Sent

The following will be accepted as correspondence sent by the Board:

- (Page 1) Email to G. Meade (Dec. 10, 2024)

9.3 Manitoba School Boards Association (MSBA) Correspondence – Received

The following MSBA correspondence be received by the Board:

- (Page 1) Raffle Donations for 2025 March Annual Convention (Dec. 4, 2024)
- (Page 2) The King’s Official Canadian Portrait (Dec. 4, 2024)
- (Page 3) Registration and poster for 2025 Diverse Minds Creative Writing Competition
- (Page 6) e-bulletin (Dec. 4, 2024)
- (Page 7) Letter from Prairie Rose School Division (Dec. 3, 2024)
- (Page 8) CSBA Congress and National Trustee Gathering - Call for Presenters (Dec. 1, 2024)

10. ACTION ITEMS

10.1 École Howden Reconfiguration

2024-054

Moved by Trustee Kolochuk

Seconded by Trustee Nordheim

WHEREAS Grade 7/8 students residing in Windsor Park were reassigned from Collège Béliveau to École Howden in 2022 to create space to accommodate the surge in enrolment from Sage Creek; and

WHEREAS requests from Louis Riel School Division to the Province for a permanent addition and temporary modular classrooms at École Howden have not been approved; and

WHEREAS ongoing space constraints considerably limit program flexibility at École Howden; and

WHEREAS a new French Immersion school serving French Immersion students in Sage Creek and Bonavista will open in September 2025; and

WHEREAS space will become available at Collège Béliveau when Grade 7 and 8 French Immersion students residing in Sage Creek begin attending the new school rather than Collège Béliveau;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Beginning in September 2025, École Howden be designated to serve Kindergarten to Grade 6 students residing in its current catchment area, with Collège Béliveau designated to serve the corresponding Grade 7 and 8 students.

CARRIED

10.2 LRSD Social Media Accounts

2024-055
Moved by Trustee Walker
Seconded by Trustee Nemeth

THAT the Board approve the move of the Louis Riel School Division social media account X to Bluesky Social, effective immediately.

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:

- Charlene Sacher, virtual
- Jay McGurran

12. ADJOURNMENT

The Dec. 17 Regular Meeting adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

"Original signed by C. Sigurdson"

Chair

"Original signed by J. Rudnicki"

Secretary-Treasurer