

MINUTES OF THE

REGULAR MEETING OF THE LOUIS RIEL SCHOOL DIVISION BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Tuesday, March 17, 2026, 6:30 p.m.
50 Monterey Road, Winnipeg
Hybrid Meeting

BOARD MEMBERS: Sandy Nemeth, Chair
Irene Nordheim, Vice-Chair
Peter Bjornson, Trustee
Pamela Kolochuk, Trustee, virtual
Ryan Palmquist, Trustee
Chris Sigurdson, Trustee
Chipalo Simunyola, Trustee, virtual
Cindy Turner, Trustee, virtual
Ian Walker, 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 and Maintenance, virtual
Ron Cadez, Assistant Superintendent Student, Clinical, & Instructional Services
Mia Guenther, Assistant Superintendent, Staff Services
Clarke Hagan, Director of Information Technology Services
Corey Kapilik, Assistant Superintendent, Diversity, Equity, Inclusion,
Accessibility & Anti-Racism
Deneen Madden, Executive Assistant
Lenore Polvorosa, Executive Assistant
Derrick Sheldon, Director of Staff Services, virtual

1. CALL TO ORDER

The March 17 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 6:41 p.m.

1.1 LRSD Land Acknowledgement Read by Trustee Walker

I was born, work, and live on the traditional lands of the Anishinaabeg, Ininewak, and Dakota peoples, on the National Homeland of the Red River Métis. I also acknowledge that Manitoba is the traditional territory of the Anishininwak and Dene peoples.

I recognize and honour Shoal Lake 40 First Nation as the source of my clean drinking water, as well as the Treaty Territories that generate and provide electricity powering my home, the school where I teach, and our school division.

I respect the treaties made on this land and acknowledge the harms and mistakes of the past and present. I dedicate myself as a parent, a teacher, and a school trustee to authentic alliances with Indigenous communities in a spirit of reconciliation and cooperation. I further commit myself to helping the children in my care understand the importance of reconciliation with Indigenous communities.

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 17, 2026

2025-072

Moved by Trustee Walker

Seconded by Trustee Bjornson

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

CARRIED

2.2 Approval of Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting – March 3, 2026

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

2.3 Approval of Minutes of the Special Board Meeting - March 10, 2026

As there were no changes, the March 10 minutes of the Special 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:

- Collège Jeanne-Sauvé – *Frozen* Production
- J.H. Bruns Collegiate – *Mean Girls* Production
- Visit to Highbury School

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

Assistant Superintendent Anderson highlighted the following:

- École Henri-Bergeron
- Collège Béliveau and Windsor Park Collegiate
- Frontenac School
- École Provencher

4. PRESENTATIONS TO THE BOARD

4.1 World Indigenous Peoples Conference on Education (WIPCE)

Superintendent Michalik and Assistant Superintendent Kapilik shared highlights from attending the WIPCE conference and introduced the following colleagues who also attended:

- Kelsey Lenaghan
- Rosemary Bird
- Courtney Pranteau
- Veronique Reynolds
- Shelly Hopper

4.2 Delegation Made by Colette Pancoe - Universal Screening

Colette Pancoe, a member of the St. Vital community, made a delegation to the Board regarding universal screening.

5. BOARD EDUCATION

5.1 Treaty Education Session

The Chair provided context to the April 23, 2026, Treaty Education workshop provided by the Manitoba School Boards Association in partnership with the Treaty Relations commission of Manitoba.

6. FINANCE AND AUDIT

6.1 Budget 2026-2027

Secretary-Treasurer Rudnicki shared the 2026-2027 Budget spotlight story, the press release, and related infographic.

6.2 Promissory Note #LTPS0859

2025-073

Moved by Trustee Walker

Seconded by Trustee Simunyola

THAT the issue of the Promissory Note LTPS0859, as it is deemed necessary and expedient to raise by loan the sum of \$314,500 on the credit of the Louis Riel School Division for the purpose of financing capital projects, be approved.

CARRIED

6.3 Promissory Note #LTPS0862

2025-074

Moved by Trustee Bjornson

Seconded by Trustee Sigurdson

THAT the issue of the Promissory Note LTPS0862, as it is deemed necessary and expedient to raise by loan the sum of \$357,500 on the credit of the Louis Riel School Division for the purpose of financing capital projects, be approved.

CARRIED

6.4 Campaign Financing - Bill 39

Secretary-Treasurer Rudnicki provided context regarding Bill 39 and reviewed the Campaign Financing Letter, Campaign Finance Manual, and Campaign Finance Reporting Template to support trustee understanding of campaign finance requirements.

7. STAFFING

7.1 Appointment of Assistant Director - Clinical Services

2025-075

Moved by Trustee Nordheim

Seconded by Trustee Walker

THAT Lisa Tymchuk be appointed as the Assistant Director - Clinical Services, effective Aug. 1, 2026.

CARRIED

8. SENIOR LEADERSHIP TEAM INFORMATION TO THE BOARD

8.1 Leadership Team Meeting - March 12, 2026

Superintendent Michalik shared highlights of the Leadership Team Meeting held on March 12, 2026.

8.2 Shamrock School Building Envelope Project

Superintendent Michalik provided a report regarding Shamrock School in response to the Board of Trustees' request from the March 3 Board Meeting, including the Phasing Plan, Classroom Shut Down Schedule, and Upgrades Schedule.

9. POLICY

9.1 Revisions to Protocol Supporting Policy ACE - Customer Service Standard

Assistant Superintendent Anderson provided context regarding revisions to the administrative protocol supporting Policy ACE – Customer Service Standard for Accessibility, which were made to enhance clarity and align with provincial legislation.

10. CORRESPONDENCE

10.1 School Board Correspondence – Received

The following correspondence was received by the Board:

Manitoba Education and Early Childhood Learning

- (Page 1) Letter from Hon. Min. T. Schmidt RE: Upholding Student Safety (Jan. 27, 2026)

General

- (Page 1) Email from I. Prokipchuk (March 2, 2026)
- (Page 6) Email from S. Erlendson (March 3, 2026)
- (Page 8) Email from S. Erlendson (March 3, 2026)

Education Funding Branch

- (Page 9) Letter RE: J.H. Bruns Collegiate – Roof Replacement and Grooming Room Final Project Support (March 5, 2026)

10.2 School Board Correspondence – Sent

The following was accepted as correspondence sent by the Board:

- (Page 1) Email to R. Altemeyer (March 2, 2026)
- (Page 2) Email to I. Prokipchuk (March 2, 2026)
- (Page 3) Email to S. Erlendson (March 3, 2026)
- (Page 4) Email to R. Altemeyer (March 5, 2026)
- (Page 5) Letter to Hon. Min. T. Schmidt (March 6, 2026)

10.3 Manitoba School Boards Association (MSBA) Correspondence – Received

The following MSBA correspondence be received by the Board:

- (Page 1) Email RE: Raffle for MSBA Convention (March 4, 2026)
- (Page 2) Executive Highlights (Feb. 9, 2026)
- (Page 3) Memo RE: Treaty Education Workshop (March 9, 2026)
- (Page 4) e-bulletin (March 11, 2026)

11. ACTION ITEMS

12. 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:

- Erin Lauze
- Ina Prokipchuk
- Jay McGurran
- Lindsay Lagman
- Sia Erlendson

13. ADJOURNMENT

The March 17 Regular Meeting adjourned at 9:02 p.m.

"Original signed by S. Nemeth"

Chair

"Original signed by J. Rudnicki"

Secretary-Treasurer