

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE GRANDE PRAIRIE PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT #2357 HELD AT CENTRAL OFFICE ON **October 30, 2018**

Board Chair John Lehnrs called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. with the following present:

PRESENT

Trustees Lesley Craig, Lynn Driedger, Paulette Kurylo, John Lehnrs, Rob Martin, Joan Nellis, Andre Ouellette, Superintendent Sandy McDonald, Secretary-Treasurer Norm Guindon, Deputy Superintendent James Robinson and Secretary to the Board Sandy Fredland (minutes).

PRESENTATION

Alberta Summer Games

Lionel Robins, Chair of the 2018 Alberta Summer Games, presented to the Board a set of framed Alberta Games medals as a thank you gift for the District's involvement in the 2018 Alberta Summer Games.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Adoption of Board Agenda

The Board reviewed the Regular Meeting agenda.

The Board agreed to the following additions to the Agenda:

- Under Correspondence, the addition of *Letter of Support Request from Mayor Given*; and
- Under Business Arising from the Minutes, the addition of *Generation Zapped*.

MOTION: Paulette Kurylo moved that the Board adopt the Regular Meeting agenda as amended.

CARRIED 15027

MINUTES

Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes of October 9, 2018

The Board reviewed the Committee of the Whole Meeting minutes of October 9, 2018.

MOTION: Joan Nellis moved to adopt the minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of October 9, 2018.

CARRIED 15028

Abstained: Lesley Craig (not present at the meeting)

Regular Board Meeting of October 9, 2018

The Board reviewed the Regular Board Meeting minutes of October 9, 2018.

MOTION: Lynn Driedger moved to adopt the minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 9, 2018, as circulated.

CARRIED 15029

Abstained: Lesley Craig (not present at the meeting)

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BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Consent Agenda Sample

This item was tabled to the next Board Meeting of November 13, 2018.

Condolence Letters

Sandy McDonald provided sample Letters of Condolence to the Board for review. Paulette Kurylo will review the letters and will provide feedback and revisions to the Board.

Generation Zapped

Paulette Kurylo reported to the Board regarding a documentary held in Grande Prairie entitled, *Generation Zapped*, which discussed the topic of wireless radiation exposure.

**BOARD CHAIR/
SUPERINTENDENT'S
REPORT**

Board Chair Report

- Board Social Review
The Board discussed the 51st Annual Board Social that was held at the Entrec Centre on October 13, 2018. Attendance and the number of “no shows” was discussed. The Board thanked the organizers for a successful event.
- Board Self-Evaluation Survey Review
John Lehnars discussed with the Board the Board Self-Evaluation survey questions. The survey will be open from November 1 – 15, 2018 and the results will be discussed at the November 28, 2018 Board Governance meeting.

Superintendent's Report

Sandy McDonald provided to the Board information regarding the following:

- Principal Meeting Highlights
Topics discussed at the October 10, 2018 Principals' meeting included school plan templates, assurance meeting processes, achievement and satisfaction survey analysis processes, as well as the *Every Day Matters* campaign.
- Administrator Professional Learning
School and District Administration met with University of Lethbridge representatives on October 25, 2018.
- Aspen Grove Turkey Trot
Aspen Grove School students raised \$156.00 for the United Way through the annual Aspen Grove Turkey Trot.
- Maverick Movement Students Recognition
Two Maverick Movement students from Charles Spencer High School, Cadence Redding and Grace Stephenson, were recipients of the Governor General's Medal for Volunteerism at the October 12, 2018 Provincial WE Day event held in Edmonton.

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- Annual Christmas Card Contest
The annual District Christmas Card Contest is underway for students in Grades 4 – 6. The deadline for submissions is November 9, 2018.
- Meeting with the University of Alberta Dean of Education
Sandy McDonald and colleagues from local School Districts met with Dean Tupper from the Faculty of Education of the University of Alberta to discuss the Education program. Topics of discussion included both course content and the number of students who participate in the program.
- Board Social Update
Sandy McDonald provided the Board with a brief summary of the 51st Annual Board Social. The 52nd Board Social is booked at the Entrec Centre October 26, 2019.
- Leadership for Tomorrow
The first of eight Leadership for Tomorrow sessions for the 2018 – 2019 School Year was held October 24, 2018. There are 25 teachers participating in the Leadership for Tomorrow program.
- 2017 – 2018 Employee Exit Survey Summary
A summary review of information collected from the 2017 – 2018 Exit Surveys and the actions that will be taken in response to the information was provided to the Board.
- Draft Three Year Plan Priorities
The District's revised priorities and the processes used to finalize the 2018 – 2021 Three Year Plan was included in the report.
- Preliminary Class Size Reporting
Sandy McDonald discussed with the Board a preliminary assessment of core/homeroom class sizes in the District.
- Accountability Pillar (APORI) Results
A preliminary review of District achievement on the Accountability Pillar Online Reporting Initiative (APORI) measures was provided to the Board. A more detailed analysis will be presented at the November 13 Committee of the Whole Board meeting.
- Detailed Enrolment Update
The Board was provided a detailed analysis of District enrolment as of September 30, 2018.
- Staffing Report
The October 2018 Staffing Report was submitted as information.

CULTURE AND ENGAGEMENT

2018 4A Provincial High School Volleyball Championship Opening Ceremony Invitation

John Lehnert discussed an invitation to the Board to attend the 2018 4A Provincial High School Volleyball Championship Opening Ceremony to be held at Charles Spencer High School on November 22, 2018. The event will bring together the top 12 men's and top 12 ladies' high school 4A volleyball teams in Alberta.

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Remembrance Day Ceremony Requests

Trustees discussed the annual Remembrance Day laying of wreaths for the Legion and the Army Navy Club on November 11, 2018. Lesley Craig will attend the ceremony at Revolution Place for the Legion and John Lehnert will attend the Army Navy Club ceremony at Jubilee Park.

BUSINESS SERVICES

Resource Allocation Model Committee Meeting

Norm Guindon updated the Board regarding the Resource Allocation Model meeting that was held October 17, 2018.

ASBA / PSBAA

Alberta School Boards' Association (ASBA)

- Class Size Pressures Survey
Trustees discussed the ASBA Class Size Pressures Survey that is to be submitted by November 9, 2018.

Public School Boards' Association (PSBA)

- Governance Session and Fall General Meeting
Trustees discussed the PSBA Governance Session, *Media Training*, MLA Reception, Trustee University II and the Fall General Meeting that was held in Edmonton October 24 – 26, 2018.

ALBERTA EDUCATION

Teachers'/Employer Bargaining Association (TEBA)

Lesley Craig reported to the Board that a TEBA meeting is scheduled for December 11, 2018 in Edmonton. Two Trustees and two Central Office Administration are invited to attend.

The Trustees agreed to change the start time for the December 11, 2018 Board meeting from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. to accommodate flight times from Edmonton.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

School Council Annual Reports

- Maude Clifford Public School

The Board received as information the 2017 – 2018 Year End Report from Maude Clifford School Council.

Non-Instructional Support Staff Liaison Committee

Rob Martin and Lynn Driedger reported to the Board regarding the Non-Instructional Support Staff Liaison Committee meeting that was held October 10, 2018.

Education Foundation Committee Meeting

Rob Martin reported to the Board regarding the Education Foundation Committee meeting held October 18, 2018.

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School Council/Trustee Liaison Committee Meeting Agenda

The Board reviewed a draft agenda for the Joint School Council Chairs'/Trustee meeting scheduled for November 15, 2018.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Upcoming Professional Development/Meetings

The Board of Trustees reviewed the upcoming professional development meeting bulletin for Trustees.

Board Calendar

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees is Tuesday, November 13, 2018 to be held in the Central Office Board Room.

CORRESPONDENCE

- Letter from Alberta School Boards' Association Re: Provincial Friends of Education Nomination
- Letter from Mayor Bill Given, Re: Letter of Support for the City of Grande Prairie's Bid to Host the 2022 Arctic Winter Games
The Board discussed a letter received from Mayor Bill Given requesting a letter of support for the City to host the Arctic Winter Games in March of 2022.

MOTION: Joan Nellis moved that the Board write a letter of support for the City of Grande Prairie's bid to host the 2022 Arctic Winter Games subject to calendar alignment with the neighbouring School Boards.

CARRIED 15030

NEW IDEAS / NEW ISSUES

Lesley Craig discussed opening Board meetings with acknowledgement of Treaty 8 Territory. Administration reported that reoccurring meetings do not necessarily require territorial recognition.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

- Effects of social media on children
- District nutrition Administrative Procedure
- District athletics

IN - CAMERA SESSION

MOTION: Lesley Craig moved that the Board go in-camera at 8:21 p.m. to discuss personnel and land.

CARRIED 15031

MOTION: Paulette Kurylo moved that the Board come out of in-camera at 8:30 p.m.

CARRIED 15032

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ADJOURNMENT

John Lehnars called the meeting closed at 8:31 p.m.

Chair

Secretary-Treasurer