



Board of Trustees  
Regular Board Meeting  
**February 20, 2025**

Date: February 20, 2025  
Time: 10:00 a.m.  
Location: Central Operations

Members Present: Chair Crystal Owens  
Vice-Chair Lacey Buchinski  
Trustee Marie Dyck  
Trustee Lori Leitch  
Trustee David Rushton  
Trustee Edith Giesbrecht

Staff Present: Superintendent Jeff Thompson  
Deputy Superintendent (Acting) Aleeta Ploc  
Secretary-Treasurer Rhonda Freeman  
Executive Assistant Chris Warne  
Communications Coordinator Kristin Dyck

## **1. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Chair Owens.

### **1.1 Land Acknowledgement**

Board Chair Owens gave the Land Acknowledgement.

## **2. CONSENT AGENDA**

### **2.1. MINUTES**

2.1.1. Minutes from the Regular Meeting of the Board on January 16, 2025

### **2.2. SUBSTANTIVE MOTIONS**

### **2.3. FINANCIAL REPORTS**

2.3.1. Financial Monthly Report – January 2025

2.3.2. Accounts Paid – January 2025

### **2.4. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### **2.5. TRUSTEE SCHOOL/COMMUNITY REPORTS**

2.5.1. November 20, 2024, Dixonville PAC Minutes (Buchinski)

2.5.2. November 20, 2024 EEO School Council Minutes (Rushton)

2.5.3. November 25, 2024 Hines Creek School Council Minutes (Giesbrecht)

2.5.4. November 27, 2024 Red Earth Creek School Council Meeting (Dyck)

2.5.5. January 15, 2025, Dixonville PAC Minutes (Buchinski)

### **2.6. TRUSTEE WORKPLAN**

### **2.7. EXECUTIVE REPORTS**

2.7.1. Superintendent's Report

2.7.1.1. Anti-Racism QR Codes Draft

2.7.2. Secretary-Treasurer's Report

**2.8. CORRESPONDENCE**

~~2.8.1. January 22, 2025, Letter from Deputy EDC re MACS Funding Request~~

2.8.2. January 24, 2025, Letter to EDC re Cleardale Lot

2.8.3. January 24, 2025, Letter to Infrastructure re Manning Schools

2.8.4. January 29, 2025, Letter from EDC re Disposal of Dixonville Property

~~2.8.5. February 4, 2025, Letter to EDC re Manning F & E~~

2.8.6. February 6, 2025, cc of Letter from Northern Lights SD to EDC re Prov. Data Collection

**15992**

**Moved by:** Vice-Chair Buchinski

That the consent agenda be accepted as amended.

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**Carried**

**3. REVIEW & ADOPTION OF REGULAR BOARD AGENDA**

The agenda for the regular meeting of the Board, February 20, 2025, was reviewed.

**15993**

**Moved by:** Trustee Rushton

That the agenda for the regular meeting of the Board, February 20, 2025, be approved as amended.

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**Carried**

**4. STRATEGIC**

**4.1. Manning Aurora Composite School – Bus Garage**

Secretary-Treasurer Freeman brought forward the naming of the bus garage conversion project to align with the Manning Aurora Composite School for conversation.

Trustee Dyck joined the meeting at 10:09 a.m.

Trustee Dyck left the meeting at 10:10 a.m.

Trustee Dyck joined the meeting at 10:11 a.m.

**4.2 2025-2026 School Year Calendar**

Superintendent Thompson reviewed the draft 2025-2026 School Year Calendar.

Trustee Dyck left the meeting at 10:18 a.m.

**15994**

**Moved by:** Vice-Chair Buchinski

That the 2025-2026 School Year Calendar be approved as presented.



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**Carried**

Trustee Rushton left the meeting at 10:41 a.m.  
Trustee Rushton returned to the meeting at 10:42 a.m.

## **5. GENERATIVE**

### **5.1. Gala Discussion**

Superintendent Thompson reviewed past Galas (Long Service Award recognition) practices for Board input.

Lost network connection at 10:50 a.m.  
Reconnected with network at 10:51 a.m.

### **5.2 Student Transportation Funding**

Secretary-Treasurer Freeman reviewed student transportation funding and how the change in walk distance funding affected PRSD.

Board Chair Owens left the meeting at 11:22 a.m.  
Vice-Chair Buchinski assumed duties of the Chair at 11:22 a.m.  
Board Chair Owens returned to the meeting at 11:24 a.m. and resumed duties of the Chair.

### **5.3 Capital Plan Discussion**

Secretary-Treasurer Freeman reviewed the Capital Plan.

Vice-Chair Buchinski left the meeting at 11:31 a.m.  
Vice-Chair Buchinski returned to the meeting at 11:33 a.m.

### **5.4 Council of School Councils Conversation**

Superintendent Thompson reviewed the Council of School Councils' meeting and purpose.

The meeting recessed for lunch at 12:07 p.m.  
The meeting resumed after lunch at 1:02 p.m.

Trustee Dyck joined the meeting at 1:03 p.m.

## **6. FIDUCIARY**

### **6.1. IN CAMERA**

**15995**  
**Moved by:** Trustee Rushton  
That the meeting move in-camera at 1:04 p.m.



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**Carried**

Trustee Dyck left the meeting at 2:05 p.m.

**15996**  
**Moved by:** Trustee Leitch  
That the meeting revert to regular session at 2:31 p.m.

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**Carried**

While in-camera legal and labour issues were discussed.

#### **5.5 Edwin Parr/Friends of Education Nominations**

Superintendent Thompson reviewed the upcoming Edwin Parr and Friends of Education nomination changes and deadlines.

#### **5.6 Delegations - None**

#### **5.7 Departmental Presentations - None**

#### **5.8 Standing Committee Agenda Items**

##### **5.8.1 TBAC**

The TBAC meeting was discussed.

#### **5.9 Flag Raising (addition to agenda)(Thompson)**

Superintendent Thompson reviewed proposed dates for the raising of the Treaty 8 and Métis flags.

Trustee Leitch left the meeting at 2:56 p.m.

### **6. FIDUCIARY**

#### **6.2 POLICY DEVELOPMENT AND REVIEW**

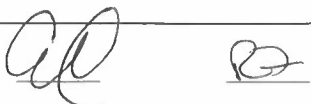
A policy meeting is scheduled for February 27, 2025.

#### **6.3 STANDING ITEMS**

##### **6.3.1 ASBA**

##### **6.3.1.1 ASBA SGM June 1-3**

The upcoming ASBA Zone 1 meeting and ASBA SGM was discussed.



### **6.3.2 PSBAA**

#### **6.3.2.1 PSBC April 10, 11, 2025**

Board Chair Owens reviewed the upcoming PSBC meeting April 10, 11, 2025, in Edmonton.

#### **6.3.2.2 PSBAA SGA June 3-5, 2025**

Attendance at the PSBAA SGA June 3-5, 2025, was discussed.

Trustee Leitch returned to the meeting at 3:43 p.m.

### **6.4 Trustee Calendar**

#### **6.4.1 ASCA Conference April 26, 27, 2025**

The ASCA conference April 26, 27, 2025, was discussed.

Vice-Chair Buchinski left the meeting at 3:27 p.m.

Vice-Chair Buchinski returned to the meeting at 3:28 p.m.

**15997**

**Moved by:** Vice-Chair Buchinski

That Trustee Leitch attend the February 28, 2025, meeting of the Peace Regional RCMP Community Advisory Committee.

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**Carried**

## **7. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA**

### **2.7.1.1 Anti-Racism QR Codes DRAFT**

The DRAFT Anti-Racism QR code examples were discussed.

**15998**

**Moved by:** Trustee Rushton

That the DRAFT Anti-Racism QR codes be received for information.

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**Carried**

### **2.8.1 January 22, 2025, Letter from Deputy EDC re MACS Funding Request**

### **2.8.5 February 4, 2025, Letter to EDC re Manning F & E**

The January 22, 2025, letter from the Deputy Education Minister re: the Manning Aurora Composite School and bus garage conversion and the February 4, 2025, letter to the Education Minister regarding the Manning Aurora Composite School and bus garage conversion furniture and equipment funding were discussed.



Trustee Rushton left the meeting at 4:00 p.m.  
Trustee Rushton returned to the meeting at 4:02 p.m.

**15999**

**Moved by:** Vice-Chair Buchinski

That administration draft a letter for board signature, to the Education Minister to request appropriate funding for the new Red Earth Creek School furniture and equipment budget.

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**Carried**

**16000**

**Moved by:** Trustee Leitch

That the January 22, 2025, letter from the Deputy Education Minister re: the Manning Aurora Composite School and bus garage conversion furniture and equipment funding request, and the February 4, 2025, letter to the Education Minister regarding the Manning Aurora Composite School and bus garage conversion furniture & equipment funding be received for information.

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**Carried**

## **2.8.2 January 24, 2025, Letter to EDC re Cleardale Lot**

The January 24, 2025, letter to the Minister of Education regarding disposal of the Cleardale lot was discussed.

Trustee Rushton left the meeting at 4:24 p.m.

**16001**

**Moved by:** Trustee Giesbrecht

That the January 24, 2025, letter to the Minister of Education regarding disposal of the Cleardale lot be received for information.

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**Carried**

## **8. ADJOURNMENT**

**16002**

**Moved by:** Vice-Chair Buchinski

That the regular meeting of the Board be adjourned at 4:26 p.m.

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**Carried**



## 9. ROUND TABLE

**Certified Correct:**

  
Secretary-Treasurer  
Recorder: Chris Warne

**Approved:**

  
Chair