



Board of Trustees
Regular Board Meeting
April 17, 2025

Date: April 17, 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: Deputy Superintendent (Acting) Aleeta Ploc
Secretary-Treasurer Rhonda Freeman
Executive Assistant Chris Warne
Communications Coordinator Kristin Dyck

Staff Present Virtually: Superintendent Jeff Thompson

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

1.1 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 March 13, 2025

2.2. SUBSTANTIVE MOTIONS

2.3. FINANCIAL REPORTS

2.3.1. Financial Monthly Report – March

2.3.2. Accounts Paid - March

2.4. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

2.5. TRUSTEE SCHOOL/COMMUNITY REPORTS

2.5.1. Nampa School Council Sept 2024- March 2025 (Dyck)

2.5.2. Sept 17, 2024, T.A. School Council Minutes (Owens)

2.5.3. Sept 18, 2024, PRHS Council Minutes (Owens)

2.5.4. Nov 27, 2024, PRHS Council Minutes (Owens)

2.5.5. Feb 10, 2025, GPS Council Minutes (Leitch)

2.6. TRUSTEE WORKPLAN

2.7. EXECUTIVE REPORTS

2.7.1. Superintendent's Report

2.7.2. Secretary-Treasurer's Report

2.8. CORRESPONDENCE

2.8.1. March 13, 2025, cc Wolf Creek PS letter to Minister re Jordan's Principle Supports

- 2.8.2. March 20, 2025, Response from EDC Minister re WMA
- 2.8.3. March 25, 2025, Offer to Minister to Transfer Cleardale Lot
- ~~2.8.4. March 31, 2025, cc Foothills SD letter to Minister re Jordan's Principle Supports~~
- 2.8.5. April 7, 2025, Response from Acting Deputy Assistant Infrastructure Minister re Cleardale Lot

16016

Moved by: Trustee Dyck

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, April 17, 2025, was reviewed.

16017

Moved by: Trustee Buchinski

That the agenda for the regular meeting of the Board, April 17, 2025, be approved as amended.

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Carried

4. STRATEGIC

4.1. 2025-2026 Draft Menno Simons School Year Calendar (Thompson)

Superintendent Thompson indicated feedback had been received and the Principal is satisfied with the 2025-2026 Draft Menno Simons School Year Calendar.

16018

Moved by: Trustee Giesbrecht

That the Draft 2025-2026 Menno Simons School Year Calendar be approved.

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Carried

4.2 Manning School Codes (Freeman)

16019

Moved by: Trustee Rushton

That the Manning Elementary School and Paul Rowe Jr/Sr High Schools be amalgamated into the new Manning Aurora Composite School; the Manning Elementary School code of 1508 be deactivated, and the Paul Rowe Jr/Sr High School code of 1507 be transferred to the Manning Aurora Composite School.

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Carried



4.3 Debenture By-Law (Freeman) (addition)

Secretary-Treasurer reviewed why a bylaw is needed before a debenture can be approved.

16020

Moved by: Trustee Buchinski

That 1st reading of Peace River School Division Bylaw No. 01-2025 be approved.

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Carried

16021

Moved by: Trustee Buchinski

That 2nd reading of Peace River School Division Bylaw No. 01-2025 be approved.

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Carried

16022

Moved by: Trustee Dyck

That 3rd and final reading of Peace River School Division Bylaw No. 01-2025 be approved.

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Carried

5. GENERATIVE

5.1. Student Engagement (Thompson)

The Student Engagement format was discussed.

Trustee Buchinski left the meeting at 11:10 a.m.

Trustee Buchinski returned to the meeting at 11:12 a.m.

5.2 Long Service Awards (Thompson)

Superintendent Thompson gave an update on the Long Service Awards.

Trustee Dyck left the meeting at 11:14 a.m.

Trustee Rushton left the meeting at 11:14 a.m.

Trustee Rushton returned to the meeting at 11:16 a.m.

Trustee Dyck returned to the meeting at 11:17 a.m.

5.3 Edwin Parr (Ploc)

Deputy Superintendent Ploc presented a possible Edwin Parr candidate.



16023

Moved by: Trustee Giesbrecht

That Mikaela Tegart, grades 6-9 and grade 12 teacher from Worsley Central School, be put forward as Peace River School Division's Edwin Parr candidate for the 2025 Edwin Parr Teacher Award.

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Carried

5.4 Friends of Education (Owens)

The Friends of Education Award was discussed.

16024

Moved by: Trustee Leitch

That Cst. Sunday be put forward as Peace River School Division's Friends of Education candidate for the 2025 Friends of Education Award.

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Carried

5.5 Recording of Board Meetings (Owens)

Recording of board meetings was discussed.

16025

Moved by: Trustee Dyck

That the Board will record public meetings as per Policy 7 Board Operations once technology has been determined.

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Carried

5.6 Stakeholder Engagement Cleardale (Thompson/Freeman)

Stakeholder Engagement in Cleardale was discussed.

Trustee Leitch left the meeting at 11:40 a.m.

Trustee Leitch returned to the meeting at 11:41 a.m.

The meeting recessed for lunch at 12:00 p.m.

The meeting resumed after lunch at 12:55 p.m.

FIDUCIARY

6.1. IN CAMERA

16026

Moved by: Trustee Dyck

That the meeting move in-camera at 12:56 p.m.



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Carried

Trustee Rushton left the meeting at 2:11 p.m.
Trustee Rushton returned to the meeting at 2:13 p.m.
Trustee Leitch left the meeting at 2:20 p.m.
Trustee Leitch returned to the meeting at 2:21 p.m.

16027
Moved by: Trustee Dyck

That the meeting revert to regular session at 2:41 p.m.

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Carried

While in-camera legal and labour issues were discussed.

5. GENERATIVE

5.7 Delegations - None

5.8 Departmental Presentations - None

5.9 Standing Committee Agenda Items

5.9.1 TBAC – April 24, 2025

The upcoming TBAC meeting was discussed.

5.9.2 Joint Board Meeting with HFCRD May 21, 2025

The upcoming Joint Board meeting with HFCRD May 21, 2025, was discussed.

6.2 POLICY DEVELOPMENT AND REVIEW

Board Chair Owens provided an update on the current work of the Policy Committee.

6.3 STANDING COMMITTEE ITEMS

5.9.1 ASBA Zone 1 April 9, 2025 – Debrief

The ASBA Zone 1 meeting of April 9, 2025, was discussed.

5.9.2 PSBAA

The PSBC meeting of the PSBAA was discussed.



6.4 Trustee Calendar

The Trustee calendar was reviewed.

7. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

2.8.4 March 31, 2025, cc Foothills SD letter to Minister re Jordan's Principle Supports

16028

Moved by: Trustee Leitch

That the March 31, 2025, cc Foothills SD letter to Minister re Jordan's Principle Supports be received for information.

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Carried

8. ADJOURNMENT

16029

Moved by: Trustee Buchinski

That the meeting be adjourned at 3:37 p.m.

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Carried

9. ROUND TABLE

Certified Correct:



Secretary-Treasurer

Recorder: Chris Warne

Approved:



Chair

