

Members Present:

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| C. Edwards | Ward 1 | |
| G. Kissel | Ward 1 | |
| R. Ripkens | Ward 1 | |
| K. Packard | Ward 2 | |
| M. Skogen | Ward 2 | |
| R. Young | Ward 2 | |
| L. Phillips | Ward 3 | |
| B. Norton | Ward 4 | |
| D. Lozinski | Ward 5 | |
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| R. Cusson | Superintendent | |
| P. Elock | Secretary-Treasurer | |
| B. Driedger | Associate Superintendent | |
| J. Irvine | Associate Superintendent | Regrets |
| T. Moghrabi | Associate Superintendent | |
| B. Steunenber | Recording Secretary | |

CALL TO ORDER

Trustee Packard called the meeting to order at 10:04 A.M.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

197. Moved by Trustee Norton to approve the agenda for this meeting with the following additions:

- 5.8 ATA Spring Supper
- 5.9 School Presentation Sign Up
- 5.10 Minutes from March 29, 2023 Meeting
- 6.4 College of Alberta School Superintendents (CASS) First Nations Metis Inuit (FNMI) Gathering
- 8.7 Land for Vera M. Welsh Elementary School Replacement
- 8.8 Board only

CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

198. Moved by Trustee Lozinski to approve the minutes of the Regular Board meeting held on May 15, 2023.

CARRIED.

TRUSTEE/ADMIN INFORMATION ITEMS

Board Chair Packard congratulated the graduates of Cold Lake High School who were celebrated at their Graduation Ceremony on May 18th. She also congratulated Alex Ryl who was recognized as the Northern Lights Public Schools (NLPS) nominee for the 2023 Alberta School Boards Association (ASBA) Edwin Parr Award at the ASBA Award Banquet on May 26th. Superintendent Cusson thanked the Board on behalf of school administrators for the opportunity to meet and discuss their 2023 school plans on May 17th. Communications and Public Relations Manager Garner presented highlights on Truth and Reconciliation activities from schools throughout the division. Received as information only.

CLOSED MEETING

199. Moved by Trustee Norton to convert to a closed meeting at 10:15 A.M.

CARRIED.

REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING

200. Moved by Trustee Edwards to revert to a regular public meeting at 10:23 A.M.

CARRIED.

BOARD BUSINESS

OPERATIONS SUMMARY

201. Moved by Trustee Ripkens to approve the Operations Summary (April) as presented by Secretary-Treasurer Elock as information only.

CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF BUDGET

202. Moved by Trustee Ripkens to approve the 2023-2024 budget for Northern Lights Public Schools (NLPS) as presented by Secretary-Treasurer Elock as information only.

CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF THREE-YEAR EDUCATION PLAN

203. Moved by Trustee Lozinski to approve the 2023-2026 Northern Lights Public Schools (NLPS) Three-Year Education Plan with technical edits as presented by Superintendent Cusson as information only.

CARRIED.



FOLLOW-UP FROM SCHOOL PLAN MEETINGS

Received as information only.

STAFFING UPDATE

Received as information only.

NOTE: The Board recessed for lunch at 11:56 A.M. and reconvened the meeting at 12:33 P.M.

ST. PAUL EDUCATION REGIONAL DIVISION MEETING

Received as information only.

PSBAA AWARD NOMINATION UPDATE

Received as information only.

ATA SPRING SUPPER

Received as information only.

SCHOOL PRESENTATION SIGN UP

Received as information only.

MARCH 29, 2023 MINUTES

Received as information only.

NOTE: Trustee Skogen joined the meeting at 12:42 P.M.

COMMITTEE/CONFERENCE REPORTS

POLITICAL ADVOCACY/ASBA/PSBAA

Received as information only.

NOTE: Associate Superintendent Driedger departed the meeting at 12:50 P.M.

NOTE: Associate Superintendent Moghrabi departed the meeting at 12:51 P.M.

SUPPORT STAFF LIAISON COMMITTEE

204. Moved by Trustee Lozinski to acknowledge the receipt of the Support Staff Liaison Committee report as presented by Trustee Edwards as information only.

CARRIED.

ASCA REPORT

205. Moved by Trustee Edwards to acknowledge the receipt of the Alberta School Councils' Association (ASCA) Conference report as presented by Trustee Packard as information only.

CARRIED.

NOTE: Associate Superintendent Driedger rejoined the meeting at 1:03 P.M.

COLLEGE OF ALBERTA SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS (CASS) FIRST NATIONS METIS INUIT (FNMI) GATHERING

206. Moved by Trustee Edwards to acknowledge the receipt of the College of Alberta School of Superintendents (CASS) First Nations, Metis, Inuit (FNMI) Gathering verbal report as presented by Trustees Lozinski and Phillips.

CARRIED.

CORRESPONDENCE

The members of the Board received the following correspondence as information only:

- Letter to the Honourable Adriana LaGrange, Minister of Education, from Barb Maddigan, Board Chair of Northern Gateway Public Schools, dated April 12, 2023, re: Small Rural School Funding
- Letter to the Honourable Adriana LaGrange, Minister of Education, from Lucy Henry, Board Chair of Wolf Creek Public Schools, dated April 20, 2023, re: Implementation of New Transportation Requirements Effective Fall of 2024
- Letter to Karen Packard, Board Chair, from Karen Becker, Chair of Public School Boards' Association of Alberta (PSBAA) Special Recognition Committee, dated, April 21, 2023, re: Nomination for the Bonnyville Friendship Centre for the PSBAA Promoting & Advancing the Calls to Action of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada as it relates to education in Alberta Award
- Letter to Janet Gobert, Director of Operations Bonnyville Friendship Centre, from Karen Becker, Chair of Public School Boards' Association of Alberta (PSBAA) Special Recognition Committee, dated, April 21, 2023, re: Nomination for the Bonnyville Friendship Centre for the PSBAA Promoting & Advancing the Calls to Action of the Truth and

Reconciliation Commission of Canada as it relates to education in Alberta Award

- Letter to Mr. Daryl Scott, Chair of Alberta School Employee Benefit Plan (ASEBP), from Luci Henri, Board Chair of Wolf Creek Public Schools, dated April 21, 2023, re: ASEBP Rate Increase
- Letter to the Honourable Adriana LaGrange, Minister of Education, from Luci Henry, Board Chair of Wolf Creek Public Schools, dated April 21, 2023, re: Increased Benefit Costs Negotiated Through TEBA
- Letter to the Honourable Adriana LaGrange, Minister of Education, from Luci Henry, Board Chair of Wolf Creek Public Schools, dated April 24, 2023, re: Scheduling of Provincial Achievement Tests in June 2023
- Letter to Karen Packard, Board Chair, from Chief Stan Houle, Chair, Board of Directors Tribal Chiefs Ventures Inc., dated April 27, 2023, re: Draft Educational Services Agreement required by Ministerial Order
- Letter to Chief Houle, Tribal Chiefs Ventures Inc., from Sylvie Smyl, Board Chair of St. Paul Education Regional Division, dated May 10, 2023, re: Draft Education Services Agreement
- Letter to Chief Stan Houle, Tribal Chiefs Ventures Inc., from Karen Packard, Board Chair, dated May 12, 2023, re: Draft Education Services Agreement
- Letter to Karen Packard, Board Chair, from Sylvie Smyl, Board Chair of St. Paul Education Regional Division, dated May 22, 2023, re: Letter of Invitation
- Letter to Karen Packard, Board Chair, from Michael Straile, Assistant Principal of Bonnyville Centralized High School (BCHS), dated May 30, 2023, re: Invitation to Graduation Ceremonies 2023

207. Moved by Trustee Norton to accept the correspondence file as information only.

CARRIED.

CLOSED MEETING

208. Moved by Trustee Norton to convert to a closed meeting at 1:07 P.M.

CARRIED.

NOTE: Associate Superintendent Moghrabi rejoined the meeting at 2:22 P.M.

NOTE: The Board recessed at 2:26 P.M. and reconvened the meeting at 2:36 P.M.

NOTE: Superintendent Cusson, Associate Superintendents Driedger and Moghrabi, Secretary-Treasurer Elock, and Recording-Secretary Steunenberg departed the meeting at 3:11 P.M.

NOTE: Superintendent Cusson, Associate Superintendent Moghrabi, and Recording-Secretary Steunenberg rejoined the meeting at 3:34 P.M.



REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING

209. Moved by Trustee Edwards to revert to a regular public meeting at 3:34 P.M.

CARRIED.

MOTIONS COMING OUT OF CLOSED MEETING

210. Moved by Trustee Edwards to rescind **Board Policy No. 19 - Support Staff Early Retirement Plan** effective August 31, 2023.

CARRIED.

211. Moved by Trustee Lozinski to approve **Board Policy No. 23 - Continuation of Benefits - Benefit Allowance for Retirees** as per the attached **Appendix "A"** to these minutes.

CARRIED.

212. Moved by Trustee Phillips that the Board Chair write a letter to the County of Lac La Biche requesting the land located at RL-65-67-13-4, or 62 Nipewon Road for the replacement school for Vera M. Welsh Elementary School.

CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Packard adjourned the meeting at 3:37 P.M.

K. Packard, Board Chair

B. Steunenberg, Recording Secretary