

Bonnyville Division Office Boardroom

Members Present:

C. Edwards Ward 1
G. Kissel Ward 1 Regrets

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

R. Cusson Superintendent
P. Elock Secretary-Treasurer

B. Driedger

J. Irvine

Associate Superintendent
Associate Superintendent
Associate Superintendent
Associate Superintendent
Recording Secretary

CALL TO ORDER

Trustee Packard called the meeting to order at 1:16 P.M.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

269. Moved by Trustee Edwards to approve the agenda for this meeting with no additions or deletions.

CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

270. Moved by Trustee Kissel to approve the minutes of the Regular Board meeting held on June 8, 2022.

CARRIED.

TRUSTEE/ADMIN INFORMATION ITEMS

Trustee Phillips congratulated the students and staff of J.A. Williams High School on hosting a successful Songwriters Cafe. Trustee Lozinski commended the Grade 8 students and staff at Kikino School on their recent Grade 8 farewell ceremony. Trustee Skogen gave accolades to the division's Facilities Department for the redesign of the office at Cold Lake Middle School. Board Chair Karen Packard commended Cold Lake High School students who were involved in a collaboration with the Public Health Agency of Canada to discuss the challenges faced by 2SLGBTQ+ students. She also complimented Art Smith Aviation Academy on the celebrations held on Indigenous Peoples Day which



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featured a ceremony attended by Elders and members of the military. Superintendent Cusson congratulated the students and staff of North Star Elementary School on raising \$3,300 for Ronald McDonald House at their Pie in the Face event. Communications and Public Relations Manager Garner presented Good News highlights from the division's schools focused on Indigenous education. Received as information only.

BOARD BUSINESS

ANNUAL INSURANCE SUMMARY

271. Moved by Trustee Ripkens to approve the Annual Insurance report as presented by Secretary-Treasurer Elock as information only.

CARRIED.

OPERATIONS SUMMARY

272. Moved by Trustee Norton to approve the Operations Summary (May) as presented by Secretary-Treasurer Elock as information only.

CARRIED.

BCHS GRAND OPENING

273. Moved by Trustee Phillips that the Bonnyville Centralized High School Grand Opening be held on Thursday, September 29, 2022.

CARRIED.

COVID UPDATE

Superintendent Cusson reported that all provincial requirements have been lifted and Alberta Education has removed all guidance documents for school divisions. Outbreaks of illnesses, including COVID, will be managed the same way as they were prior to the pandemic with the division contacting Alberta Health Services when there is a higher than usual amount of absenteeism at a school. Received as information only.

TEBA UPDATE

Superintendent Cusson provided the Board with an update on bargaining with the Alberta Teachers' Association (ATA). The provincial government and the ATA have reached an agreement, but the division has not yet engaged in bargaining at a local level. Received as information only.



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FOLLOW UP TO ADMIN COUNCIL

274. Moved by Trustee Ripkens that the Board Chair write a letter to the Minister of Children's Services expressing deep concerns on the changes being made to the protocols that Children's Services follows when issues of potential child endangerment are reported and to cc the Minister of Education, Minister of Health, Provincial Board Chairs, Alberta Schools Boards' Association (ASBA), and Public School Boards' Association of Alberta (PSBAA).

CARRIED.

NOTE: The Board recessed at 2:22 P.M. and reconvened the meeting at 2:34 P.M.

COMMITTEE/CONFERENCE REPORTS

POLITICAL ADVOCACY/ASBA/PSBAA

275. Moved by Trustee Kissel to acknowledge the receipt of the ASBA Zone 2/3 report as presented by Trustee Ripkens as information only.

CARRIED.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT COMMITTEE

276. Moved by Trustee Ripkens that the Board Chair write a letter to the Minister of Education noting the successful impact of the early learning funding supports and advocate for additional supports for the 2022-2023 school year for Grades 1 through 3 students as well as Grades 4 through 9 students and to cc Provincial Board Chairs, ASBA, and PSBAA.

CARRIED.

277. Moved by Trustee Lozinski to acknowledge the receipt of the Student Achievement Committee report as presented by Trustee Ripkens as information only.

CARRIED.

FNMI COMMITTEE

278. Moved by Trustee Edwards to approve the mandate of the First Nations, Metis, and Inuit (FNMI) Committee as amended.

CARRIED.



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279. Moved by Trustee Norton to acknowledge the receipt of the FNMI Committee report as presented by Trustee Phillips as information only.

CARRIED.

POLICY COMMITTEE

280. Moved by Trustee Edwards to approve in principle **Board Policy No. 1** - **Foundational Statements** as per the attached **Appendix "A"** to these minutes.

CARRIED.

CORRESPONDENCE

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

- Letter to Northern Lights Public School Board of Trustees and Rick Cusson, Superintendent, from Nicholas Werstiuk, Mayor of Village of Glendon, dated May 31, 2022, re: Glendon School.
- Letter to Jason Copping, Minister of Health, from Daryl Scott, Board Chair of Wild Rose School Division, dated June 6, 2022, re: Accessibility of Health Services
- Letter to Adriana LaGrange, Minister of Education, from Karen Belich, Board Chair of Battle River School Division, dated June 15, 2022, re: Student Transportation Request.
- Letter to Greg Desjarlais, Chief and Chair of Tribal Chiefs Ventures Incorporated, from Diane Bauer, Board Chair of Lakeland Catholic School Division, dated June 15, 2022, re: First Nations Representation on Board of Trustees.
- J.A. Williams Music Department Songwriters' Cafe and Art Showcase Program
- Cold Lake High School Graduation Ceremony Program
- 281. Moved by Trustee Ripkens to accept the correspondence file as information only.

CARRIED.

TRANSPORTATION FEES

282. Moved by Trustee Lozinski that Northern Lights Public Schools maintain the 2021-2022 In-Town Bus Fee schedule for the 2022-2023 school year as per the attached **Appendix "B"** to these minutes.

CARRIED.



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B. Steunenberg, Recording Secretary

CLOSED	MEETING
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ADJOURNMENT

283. Moved by Trustee Lozinski to convert to a closed meeting at 3:25 P.M.

CARRIED.

REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING

284. Moved by Trustee Skogen to revert to a regular public meeting at 4:27 P.M.

CARRIED.

MOTIONS COMING OUT OF CLOSED MEETING

285. Moved by Trustee Kissel that Trustee Edwards attend the Grade 8 Farewell at H.E.Bourgoin Middle School on June 27, 2022 and that Trustee Ripkens attend the Grade 8 Assembly at Ardmore School on June 28, 2022 on behalf of the Board.

CARRIED.

286. Moved by Trustee Edwards that the Board Chair write a letter to the President of the Alberta Schools Boards' Association (ASBA) voicing the Board's displeasure in the Honoring Spirit: Indigenous Student Awards process and to cc ASBA Board Chairs and Dr. Vivian Abboud, Chief Executive Officer of ASBA.

CARRIED.

Trustee Packard adjourned the meeting at 4:31 P.M. K. Packard, Board Chair