

Members Present:

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	regrets
R. Cusson	Superintendent	
P. Elock	Secretary-Treasurer	
B. Driedger	Associate Superintendent	
J. Irvine	Associate Superintendent	
T. Moghrabi	Associate Superintendent	
B. Steunenberg	Recording Secretary	

CALL TO ORDER

Trustee Packard called the meeting to order at 10:07 A.M.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

109. Moved by Trustee Edwards to approve the agenda for this meeting.

CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

110. Moved by Trustee Ripkens to approve the minutes of the Regular Board meeting held on January 23, 2023.

CARRIED.

TRUSTEE/ADMIN INFORMATION ITEMS

Trustee Kissel highlighted Glendon School's Literacy Night, held on January 27th, which featured a community supper followed by a treasure hunt and literacy-themed activities. Board members commended the Endless Skies Teachers' Convention Association on the quality and variety of professional development offered at the recent convention. Trustee Edwards and Board Chair Packard thanked the Alberta Teachers' Association (ATA) for hosting a Round Table conversation on February 26th in Cold Lake. Trustee Edwards thanked Bonnyville Centralized High School (BCHS) for the opportunity to be a judge at this year's Youth Philanthropy Initiative. Trustee Skogen expressed appreciation for the many local organizations that support Northern Lights students and schools, particularly the Lakeland Centre for FASD and the Dragonfly Centre. Board Chair

Packard congratulated Kennidy Hardy from Cold Lake Junior High (CLJH) on being one of three winners for the division's 2022 Christmas Artwork Contest. Superintendent Cusson highlighted the two-day professional development session held for the division that focused on Positive Behaviour Interventions and Supports, led by Tom Hierck. There were seventy staff members in attendance. Nicole Garner, Communications and Public Relations Manager, presented highlights from schools throughout the division. Received as information only.

BOARD BUSINESS

OPERATIONS SUMMARIES

111. Moved by Trustee Phillips to acknowledge the receipt of the Operations Summaries (November, December, January) as presented by Secretary-Treasurer Elock as information only.

CARRIED.

QUARTERLY BUDGET REPORT

112. Moved by Trustee Kissel to acknowledge receipt of the Quarterly Budget report for the period ending November 30, 2022 (Q1) as presented by Secretary-Treasurer Elock as information only.

CARRIED.

2022/2023 SCHOOL CALENDAR

113. Moved by Trustee Norton to approve the 2023-2024 Northern Lights School Calendar as presented by Superintendent Driedger as per the attached **Appendix "A"** to these minutes.

CARRIED.

2024/2025 SCHOOL CALENDAR

Tabled until the April 19, 2023 Regular Board Meeting.

NOTE: The Board recessed at 12:07 P.M. and reconvened the meeting at 12:46 P.M.

2023/2024 BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE

114. Moved by Trustee Ripkens to approve the Northern Lights Public Schools Board Meeting Date Schedule for the 2023/2024 school year.

CARRIED.

PSBAA SPECIAL RECOGNITION AWARDS 2023

Received as information only.

2023 EDWIN PARR TEACHER AWARD (ASBA)

115. Moved by Trustee Norton that Trustees Kissel and Ripkens represent the Board in the Edwin Parr Award interviews and make a selection to put forward for nomination.

CARRIED.

SUBMISSION OF 2023 FRIENDS OF EDUCATION AWARD NOMINATION (ASBA)

Received as information only.

ASCA CONFERENCE

116. Moved by Trustee Ripkens that Trustees Edwards, Norton, Packard, and Skogen attend the Alberta School Councils' Association Annual Conference on April 21-23, 2023 in Edmonton, Alberta.

CARRIED.

2022-2023 BOARD PUBLIC RELATIONS PLAN

117. Moved by Trustee Edwards to approve the Northern Lights Public Schools Public Relations Plan for the 2022-2023 school year.

CARRIED.

BOARD POLICY NO. 11

118. Moved by Trustee Edwards to approve the amendments to **Board Policy No. 11 - Board Delegation of Authority** as per the attached **Appendix "B"** to these minutes.

CARRIED.

BOARD POLICY NO. 13

119. Moved by Trustee Edwards to approve in principle the amendments to **Board Policy No. 13 - Appeals and Hearings Regarding Student Matters** as per the attached **Appendix "C"** to these minutes.

CARRIED.

BOARD POLICY NO. 16

120. Moved by Trustee Edwards to approve in principle the amendments to **Board Policy No. 16 - Senior Administrative Appointments** as per the attached **Appendix "D"** to these minutes.

CARRIED.

BOARD BLENDED MARKS SCHOLARSHIPS

121. Moved by Trustee Ripkens to conclude the Board Blended Mark Scholarship program.

CARRIED.

MD OF BONNYVILLE SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER PROGRAM UPDATE

Superintendent Cusson updated the Board regarding staffing changes at the Municipal District of Bonnyville, which has resulted in some changes in the School Resource Officers Program. Going forward there will be only one Community Peace Officer operating as a School Resource Officer from the two positions that were allocated previously. Received as information only.

FUNDING UPDATE

Received as information only.

MINISTER'S YOUTH COUNCIL RECRUITMENT

Received as information only.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

POLITICAL ADVOCACY/ASBA/PSBAA

122. Moved by Trustee Edwards to acknowledge the receipt of the Alberta School Boards' Association (ASBA) Zone 2/3 report as presented by Trustee Ripkens as information only.

CARRIED.

123. Moved by Trustee Skogen to acknowledge the receipt of the Public Schools Boards Council (PSBC) report as presented by Trustees Packard and Ripkens.

CARRIED.

CLOSED MEETING

124. Moved by Trustee Skogen to convert to a closed meeting at 2:17 P.M.

CARRIED.

REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING

125. Moved by Trustee Edwards to revert to a regular public meeting at 2:51 P.M.

CARRIED.

TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION COMMITTEE

126. Moved by Trustee Norton to acknowledge the receipt of the Truth and Reconciliation Committee report as presented by Trustee Phillips.

CARRIED.

SUPPORT STAFF LIAISON COMMITTEE

127. Moved by Trustee Norton to acknowledge the receipt of the Support Staff Liaison Committee report as presented by Trustee Edwards.

CARRIED.

CORRESPONDENCE

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

- Letter to Rick Cusson, Superintendent, from Al Hoggan, CAO of Municipal District of Bonnyville No. 87, dated January 31, 2023, re: Changes to the School Resource Officers Program
- Letter to the Honourable Adriana LaGrange, Minister of Education, from Trina Boymook, Board Chair of Elk Island Public Schools, dated January 31, 2023, re: Government of Alberta's School Nutrition Program
- Letter to ASBA Board of Directors, from Norma Lang, Board Chair of Rocky View Schools, dated February 2, 2023, re: Emergent Position Statements
- Letter to Reginald Roy, President of Conseil scolaire Centre-Est, from Karen Packard, Board Chair, dated February 8, 2023, re: Transfer Proposal for Central Elementary School
- Letter to Mary Anne Penner, Board Chair of Lakeland Catholic School, from Karen Packard, Board Chair, dated February 8, 2023, re: Transfer Proposal for Dr. Swift Middle School
- Letter to the Honourable Adriana LaGrange, Minister of Education, from Karen Packard, Board Chair, dated February 8, 2023, re: Lac La Biche Properties

- Letter to the Honourable Adriana LaGrange, Minister of Education, from Karen Packard, Board Chair, dated February 10, 2023 re: Division II and III Learning Disruption Funding
- Letter to Karen Packard, Board Chair, from Reginald Roy, President of Conseil scolaire Centre-Est, dated February 13, 2023, re: Central School Disposition
- Letter to Marilyn Dennis, President of Alberta School Boards Association (ABSA), and Shali Baziuk, Vice-President of ASBA, from Trina Boymook, Board Chair of Elk Island Public Schools, dated February 13, 2023, re: February 13th Board Chairs Meeting
- Letter to the Honourable Adriana LaGrange, Minister of Education, from Karen Packard, Board Chair, dated February 15, 2023, re: Disposition of former school site: Woodbine School

128. Moved by Trustee Young to accept the correspondence file as information only.

CARRIED.

NOTE: The Board recessed at 2:59 P.M. and reconvened the meeting at 3:12 P.M.

CLOSED MEETING

129. Moved by Trustee Young to convert to a closed meeting at 3:12 P.M.

CARRIED.

NOTE: Associate Superintendents Driedger, Irvine, and Moghrabi and Secretary-Treasurer Elock departed the meeting at 4:10 P.M.

REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING

130. Moved by Trustee Norton to revert to a regular public meeting at 4:35 P.M.

CARRIED.

MOTIONS COMING OUT OF CLOSED MEETING

131. Moved by Trustee Kissel to acknowledge the receipt of the Monthly Human Resources report (January) as presented by Superintendent Cusson as information only.

CARRIED.

NOTE: Secretary-Treasurer Elock rejoined the meeting at 4:37 P.M.



132. Moved by Trustee Ripkens to approve the development permit application from the MD of Bonnyville for Plan 8322111 Block 2 Lot 24MSR also known as La Corey Community Park.

CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Packard adjourned the meeting at 4:39 P.M.

K. Packard, Board Chair

B. Steunenberg, Recording Secretary