



In-Camera and Regular Meeting Minutes of the Fort McMurray Public School District Board of Trustees, held at 231 Hardin Street, Fort McMurray
Doing What's Best for Kids

Location:	Board Room - 231 Hardin Street
Date:	Wednesday, November 30, 2016
In Attendance:	Jeff Thompson Board Chair Linda Mywaart, Vice Chair Angela Adams, Trustee Tim O'Hara, Trustee Stephen Drover, Trustee Doug Nicholls, Superintendent Phil Meagher, Deputy Superintendent - Human Resources & Administration Allan Kallal, Associate Superintendent - Business & Finance Brenda Sautner, Associate Superintendent - Education & Administration Shannon Noble, Assistant Superintendent - Inclusive Education Teena Francis, Recording Secretary
Gallery Attendance:	82

	Item	Discussion
21959	Call to Order	Board Chair J. Thompson called the meeting to order at 2:04 p.m.
21960	Additions to In-Camera Agenda	There were no additions noted.
21961	Approval of Agenda	Motion by Trustee Drover to approve the In-Camera Agenda as circulated at 2:04 p.m. M/C
21962	In-Camera Meeting	Motion by Trustee O'Hara to proceed to the In-Camera Meeting at 2:05 p.m. M/C
21963	Out of In-Camera	Motion by Vice Chair Mywaart to move out of the In-Camera Meeting at 3:08 p.m. M/C Recess at 3:08 p.m.
21964	Regular Meeting	Board Chair J. Thompson called the Regular Meeting to order at 3:14 p.m.
21965	Additions to Agenda	Changes to the Regular Board Meeting Agenda included the addition of 1) Meeting with the Minister Update and 2) Christmas Concerts Attendance for Trustees.
21966	Approval of Agenda	Motion by Trustee O'Hara to approve the agenda with amendments at 3:15 p.m. M/C
21967	Declaration of Conflict	Board Chair J. Thompson reminded Trustees of their responsibility to make a declaration should any agenda item pose a conflict.
21968	Meeting Minutes:	Motion by Vice Chair Mywaart that the Board of Trustees approve the In-Camera & Regular Board Meeting Minutes of October 26, 2016. M/C Motion by Trustee Drover that the Board of Trustees approve the Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes of November 7, 2016. M/C
21969	Business Arising from the Minutes	Fort McMurray Youth Inspiration Day: Superintendent D. Nicholls introduced Jeff Porter, Principal, Westview Public School and Sheldon Dahl, Teacher, Fort McMurray Composite High School. J. Porter provided background on the partnership established with the Fort McMurray Rotary Club and how the vision of bringing an experience similar to "We Day"

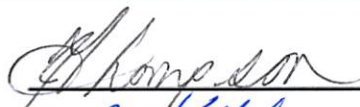
		<p>was formed. "We Day" is a celebration of youth making a difference in their local and global communities. By bringing this event to Fort McMurray, the Organizing Committee hopes to inspire youth of Fort McMurray to become global citizens. The Organizing Committee is seeking FMPSD Board of Trustees support as well as their approval for students from Grades 7 - 12 to attend the event on September 29, 2017.</p> <p>The Organizing Committee is comprised of MACOY, Fort McMurray Rotary Club, Oil Sands Rotary Club, Justin Slade Youth Foundation and representatives from FMPSD and FMSCD.</p> <p>Motion by Trustee Adams that the Board of Trustees support the vision of the Fort McMurray Youth Inspiration Day and grant approval for the students in Grades 7 - 12 time off to attend the event on September 29, 2017. M/C</p> <p>The Board of Trustees also advised that having an official announcement or document would be helpful and important for fundraising opportunities. The Board of Trustees also agreed to provide a letter of support to the Organizing Committee.</p> <p>Thickwood Heights Lease to Educare Recommendations: A recommendation will be presented at the December 14, 2016 Regular Board Meeting.</p> <p>Meeting with the Minister: Board Chair J. Thompson, Vice Chair Mywaart, Trustee O'Hara, and Superintendent D. Nicholls attended the luncheon with the Minister on November 23, 2016.</p> <p>Feedback from the meeting was shared. Board Chair J. Thompson commented it was a great opportunity for all three jurisdictions to come together and share the same unfiltered message. We are far from recovery. Small businesses are hurting in this community. We won't begin to see the real effects in our community until later in 2017. It was a good meeting with the Minister and we are grateful for government support.</p> <p>2018 Alberta Winter Games Information: Hosting: Superintendent D. Nicholls shared he has attended multiple meetings with the Organizing Committee. The Organizing Committee is seeking approval from the Board of Trustees to use our facilities to house the Athletes.</p> <p>The event set up and take down for the athletes was discussed. Should the Board of Trustees support this initiative, a conversation with School Administrators will follow.</p> <p>Security will be provided by the Games Committee. Superintendent D. Nicholls believes since this is a community event, the athletes should be housed in the community.</p> <p>Superintendent D. Nicholls recommended that the Board of Trustees agree to house our share of the athletes. If we are asked to accommodate all of the athletes, he will bring this request back to the Board.</p> <p>Partners In Education Reception: Superintendent D. Nicholls provided a update on the evening. This event was originally scheduled for May 2, 2016.</p>
21970	Public School Boards' Association / Public School Boards' Council	Trustee O'Hara provided an overview of the Fall General Meeting, commenting additional notes will be shared with fellow Trustees and Senior Administration.
21971	Alberta School Boards Association	<p>Vice Chair Mywaart provided an overview of the Fall General Meeting, commenting additional notes will be shared with fellow Trustees and Senior Administration.</p> <p>Board Chair J. Thompson and Superintendent D. Nicholls also attended the Fall General Meeting, noting the format of these gatherings needs to be reviewed. Vice Chair Mywaart will bring this information to the next Zone 2/3 Meeting.</p> <p>Trustee Adams commented that since the structure of the meetings has changed to one Board, one vote, as a Board we should revisit the number of Trustees attending these gatherings.</p> <p>Vice Chair Mywaart attended the Zone 2/3 Meeting and brought back two requests, Learning & Technology Framework Update and Recognition of Treaty Lands. The Learning</p>

		<p>& Technology Framework Presentation has been scheduled for December. Associate Superintendent A. Kallal will research what other jurisdictions are doing in terms of recognizing Treaty Lands. Further discussion on this items will occur at the Committee of the Whole February Meeting.</p>
21972	Fall Budget Update 2016 - 2017	<p>Trustee O'Hara and Trustee Drover left the meeting at 4:42 p.m.. Assistant Superintendent S. Noble left the meeting at 4:43 p.m. and returned at 4:45 p.m.</p> <p>Associate Superintendent A. Kallal provided a summary of the preliminary fall budget for 2016 - 2017 and shared the District has received significant support which has assisted mostly in supporting Mental Health.</p> <p>The Board of Trustees recommended a letter be drafted and sent to the Minister advising him of the impact on the District budget with regards to changing the transportation fee structure and waiving instructional fees to support our families during this difficult time.</p> <p>Motion by Trustee Adams that the Board of Trustees approve the fall budget for 2016-2017.</p> <p>Board Chair J. Thompson and fellow Trustees thanked Associate Superintendent A. Kallal and his staff for preparing the fall budget, acknowledging it has been a difficult year.</p> <p>M/C</p> <p>Trustee O'Hara and Trustee Drover returned to the meeting at 5:14 p.m.</p>
21973	Review Board Evening Agenda	Trustees and Senior Administration reviewed the evening agenda.
21974	Recess	<p>Motion by Trustee Adams to recess the Regular Board Meeting at 5:16 p.m. Motion by Trustee O'Hara to resume the In-Camera Meeting at 5:17 p.m. Motion by Trustee Drover to conclude the In-Camera Meeting at 5:49 p.m. Motion by Trustee O'Hara to recess at 5:49 p.m.</p>
21975	Reconvene Board Regular Meeting	Board Chair J. Thompson reconvened the Regular Board Meeting at 6:31 p.m.
21976	National Anthem	Board Chair J. Thompson welcomed guests and invited everyone to stand for the National Anthem. Following the National Anthem, Trustees, Senior Administration and Gallery remained standing for moment of silence for Elder Elsie Yanik.
21977	Question Period	No questions were submitted for Question Period.
21978	District Showcase	<p>Presentation from Students "We Day": R. Moody, Teacher at École McTavish Junior High School and students presented on their experience attending "WE Day" in Calgary. Thank you to Diversified for providing the transportation.</p> <p>WE Day is the manifestation of the WE movement – an ocean of people coming together to change the world. In these stadium-sized events, we celebrate and inspire young people who are making a difference in their local and global communities.</p> <p>This is the third year students from FMPSD have attended WE Day. Students have raised over \$1,300.00 for local and global causes. Over 1000 students have been engaged in social action.</p> <p>Trustees and Senior Administration thanked students for their presentation, commenting young people can change the world. Also, thanking staff for assisting students and for being role models.</p>
21979	Community / Partner Recognition	<p>First Book Canada: Superintendent D. Nicholls recognized M. Matheson who was instrumental in overseeing the distribution of 20,000 books. In June 2016, Tom Best of First Book Canada reached out to FMPSD to offer assistance post wildfire. T. Best worked with First Book Canada's publishing partners to supply new books to children in the Wood Buffalo Region. We are very pleased with the support we have received from First Book</p>

		Canada and their partners.
21980	District Highlights	<p>TAFI Award: This month's TAFI Award recipient is Ashley Barrington, Grade 5 Teacher at Christina Gordon Public School. Ms. Barrington keeps Christina Gordon's activities front and centre.</p> <p>Indigenous Educator Award Recipient: Eileen Lucas, Counselor at Dr. K.A. Clark Elementary school was recognized for receiving the prestigious Indigenous Educator Award in the Culture, Language and Traditions category. Mrs. Lucas traveled to Toronto to receive this award. The Board of Trustees and Senior Administration congratulate E. Lucas for all she does for our students and District.</p> <p>District Christmas Card Design: Superintendent D. Nicholls introduced Chloe Tagg, Grade 7 student attending École McTavish Junior High School. C. Tagg was this year's winner of the District Christmas Card Design contest. Congratulations Chloe.</p> <p>Westview Family Channel Stand Up Rally: Superintendent D. Nicholls introduced Madeline Ross, Grade 5 student attending Westview Public School. Earlier this year M. Ross applied for and won the Stand Up to Bullying contest with the Family Channel.</p> <p>The Board of Trustees and Senior Administration thanked and congratulated M. Ross for being a leader in her school. Superintendent D. Nicholls thanked Principal J. Porter for supporting students.</p>
21981	Spotlight On Education	<p>Westwood Community High School: Students and staff presented on NORCAN, a Norway-Canadian partnership. This is a math project that brings together school teams from Norway and Canada (Ontario & Alberta). Students traveled to Ontario to discuss diverse approaches that can then be used to clarify student understanding of mathematics. Students shared their experience commenting, the best part of the trip was learning about math and meeting other students from across the world.</p> <p>The Board of Trustees and Senior Administration thanked teacher B. Greenwood and students for sharing their experience.</p> <p>Fort McMurray Composite Islamic Program: Principal U. Jeelani and students presented on the Fort McMurray Composite Islamic Program Leadership Class. Students learn and develop leadership and communications skills. Students in the Leadership Class also fundraise for various social profits.</p> <p>The Board of Trustees and Senior Administration thanked the students for sharing their stories.</p>
21982	Recess	The Regular Board Meeting recessed at 7:33 p.m and reconvened at 7:41 p.m. Associate Superintendent A. Kallal returned at 7:50 p.m.
21983	Approve Annual Education Results Report (AERR): Key Results and Priorities	<p>Associate Superintendent B. Sautner summarized the Annual Education Results Report (AERR).</p> <p>Motion by Trustee Drover that the Board of Trustees approve the 2016 - 2019 Annual Education Results Report (AERR) and Strategic Education Plan (SEP).</p> <p>Superintendent D. Nicholls thanked Associate Superintendent B. Sautner for her work on the AERR. The AERR demonstrates the District successes before and following the evacuation and spoke to the hard work and commitment of our staff and parents. The school results are also very impressive.</p> <p>The Board of Trustees thanked Superintendent D. Nicholls and the Senior Administrative Team for keeping the District aligned to continuous improvement.</p> <p>M/C</p>
21984	Trustee Items/Engagement	Board Chair J. Thompson provided a summary of community engagements and provincial association meetings that were attended for the period of October/November 2016.

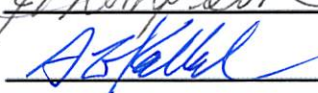
		The Board of Trustees and Senior Administration will review the School Christmas Concert Schedule and identify which events their schedules allow for their attendance.
21985	Reports	<p>Superintendent D. Nicholls updated Trustees and Senior Administration on the current activities held throughout the District. Congratulations to L. Tollman, recently elected as CUPE President.</p> <p>Deputy Superintendent P. Meagher updated Trustees and Senior Administration on the current scope of the Human Resources and Administration Department.</p> <p>Associate Superintendent A. Kallal updated Trustees and Senior Administration on the current scope of the Business & Finance Department. A report identifying students new to the District will be presented at the Board of Trustees December Meeting.</p> <p>Associate Superintendent B. Sautner updated Trustees and Senior Administration on the current scope of the Education & Administration Department.</p> <p>Assistant Superintendent S. Noble updated Trustees and Senior Administration on the current scope of the Inclusive Education/Mental Health Department.</p>
21986	Correspondence	<p>Board Chair J. Thompson presented correspondence received:</p> <p>Plaque from Bell Re - Let's Talk Community Partner: The Board of Trustees and Senior Administration acknowledged the plaque and thanked Bell for their continued support of the District.</p> <p>Letter from Calgary Board of Education, September 27, 2016: The Board of Trustees received a letter of thanks in response to our letter thanking the Calgary Board of Education for assisting our students during the evacuation.</p> <p>Letter from Minister Eggen Re: Heroes of the Wildfire: Letter from the Minister thanking the Board of Trustees and District Staff for the work that was done to support staff and students during the evacuation.</p> <p>Letter from Syncrude Canada Ltd. Re: Robotics Program: Letter from Syncrude informing the District of their continued support of our Robotics Program. Board Chair J. Thompson commented the District is grateful and very appreciative of the support and generous donations from our community.</p> <p>Letter from Minister Eggen: This letter was to inform the Trustees and Senior Administration that the Government has granted the stabilization funding and is committed to supporting the District.</p>
21987	Business Arising from Presentations & Delegations at Previous Meetings	There was no business arising to bring forward at this time.
21988	Other Business	No other business was brought forward at this time.
21989	Requests for Information	No requests were brought forward at this time.
21990	Future Agenda Items	No agenda items identified.
21991	Adjourn	There being no further business, motion by Trustee O'Hara to adjourn the Regular Board Meeting at 8:37 p.m. M/C

Board Chair:



Date: December 14, 2016

Secretary-Treasurer:



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