

Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes for **December 19, 2018** held at **231 Hardin Street**, Fort McMurray, AB T9H 2G2 *Doing What's Best for Kids*

Location:	Board Room - 231 Hardin Street	
Date:	Wednesday, December 19, 2018	
In Attendance:	Linda Mywaart, Board Chair Angela Adams, Vice Chair Stephen Drover, Trustee Solange Maher, Trustee Tim O'Hara, Trustee Dan Rizzuto, Trustee Doug Nicholls, Superintendent Phil Meagher, Chief Deputy Superintendent - Human Resources & Administration Shannon Noble, Assistant Superintendent - Inclusive Education Katie Elser, Recording Secretary	
Regrets:	Jonathan Lambert, Trustee Allan Kallal, Associate Superintendent - Business & Finance	

	item	Discussion	
22632	Call to Order	Board Chair L. Mywaart called the meeting to order at 2:13 p.m. and acknowledged that we are in Treaty 8 territory, the traditional territory of the Cree, Dené, Beaver and Métis Peoples. The Fort McMurray Public School District is dedicated to ensuring that the spirit of Treaty 8 is honoured and respected.	
22633	Additions to Agenda	Board Chair L. Mywaart requested to add "FNMI meeting with Elders" under Other Business, 24.1.	
	Approval of Agenda	Motion by Trustee Drover to approve the agenda with revisions at 2:14 p.m. M/C	
22634	Declaration of Conflict	Board Chair L. Mywaart reminded Trustees of their responsibility to make a declaration should any agenda item pose a conflict and remove themselves from the meeting for those items.	
		Chair Mywaart noted the new 'non-technology' format of this and future board meetings. Appropriate technology breaks will be taken each hour as the Board decides.	
22635	Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes	Motion by Trustee O'Hara that the Board of Trustees approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of November 28, 2018, at 2:17 p.m. M/C	
22636	Motion to move In Camera	Motion by Trustee Adams to proceed to In Camera at 2:17 p.m. M/C	
22637	Motion to move Out of In Camera	Motion by Trustee O'Hara to move out of In Camera at 4:20 p.m. M/C Motion by Trustee Drover to recess at 4:20 p.m. M/C	-
		Board Chair L. Mywaart reconvened the Regular Board Meeting at 4:30 p.m.	
22638	Business Arising from Previous Meetings	There was no business arising from previous meetings at this time.	
22639	Public School Boards' Association / Public School Boards' Council Update	Trustee O'Hara shared that there has not been a meeting since the last update provided in November. It was noted that the next meeting will be in February.	
22640	Alberta School Boards Association Update	Board Chair L. Mywaart noted that there has not been an ASBA zone meeting since last update provided in November. The next meeting will be in January. L. Mywaart requested that any questions be sent to her prior to the meeting.	3



The linked exhibit was discussed. Feedback is requested about why school boards should have local autonomy. It was noted that further discussion on this topic will be scheduled

		for the January Committee of the Whole meeting.
22641	Trustee Engagement for November 29, 2018 - December 19, 2018	Board Chair L. Mywaart provided a summary of community engagements, school events and provincial association meetings that were attended for the period of November 29, 2018 - December 19, 2018, and reminded Trustees to input their activities in the report as they attend events.
22642	Reports	Superintendent D. Nicholls updated Trustees on the current activities held throughout the District including a meeting with Keyano College. Look for a new District Choir and a resurgence of the Debate Club in the new year.
		Deputy Superintendent P. Meagher updated Trustees on the current staffing and the Human Resources department. A draft calendar for the 2019/2020 school year was discussed. Important dates will be added as they become available. The calendar will be further discussed in future meetings.
		The report from the Associate Superintendent of Business and Finance was reviewed. Questions and follow up can be directed to A. Kallal.
:		Assistant Superintendent S. Noble reviewed the report from Inclusive Education and updated Trustees on the current scope of the Inclusive Education and Mental Health Departments. Upcoming professional development days and plans were discussed as well as the Early Learning registration campaigns.
22643	ATA Meet and Greet	Board Chair Mywaart shared the outcome of the meeting with ATA President Shannon Dube and Fort McMurray Catholic School District Board Chair, Paula Galenzoski. The format of future meetings was discussed and decided to revert to previous style of meet and greet to maintain relationships. Further information will follow.
		Motion to recess by Trustee Drover at 5:44 p.m. M/C
22644	Reconvene Regular Board Meeting	Board Chair Mywaart reconvened the regular board meeting at 6:31 p.m.
22645	O Canada ,	Board Chair L. Mywaart welcomed students, staff, parents and community members and invited everyone to stand for the National Anthem and followed with an acknowledgement of Treaty 8 territory, the traditional lands of the Cree, Dené, Beaver and Métis Peoples. The Fort McMurray Public School District is dedicated to ensuring that the spirit of Treaty 8 is honoured and respected.
22646	Question Period	There were no questions submitted.
22647	Declaration of Conflict	Board Chair L. Mywaart reminded Trustees of their responsibility to make a declaration should any agenda item pose a conflict and remove themselves from the meeting for those items.
22648	Spotlight on Students	Westwood Community High School Citizenship & Volunteerism Junior and senior high students presented on their Citizenship and Volunteerism classes with an emphasis on leadership. They spoke about opportunities to learn about, and help local, and national social profits. In addition, senior high students volunteer with Westview Public School to help the elementary grades in ECDP, Math, and more.
22649	District Showcase	Westwood Coding Competition Winners The Board congratulated Westwood Community High School's Soham Arvicar, (grade 7) Francois Marais, and Saptarshi Bhattacherya, (both grade 10) who scored top marks on University of Waterloo's Canadian Computing Competition in Canada! All three students received 90/90 on the daunting coding competition held last month - hosted by the University of Waterloo's Centre for Education in Mathematics and Computing.
		District Christmas Card Designers Every year we invite students from all our schools to submit designs for FMPSD Christmas cards. This year's winners of the District Christmas Card design are Priyanka Gupta, grade 7, and Adara Josey, grade 10. Both young ladies are from École McTavish High School, and have done a beautiful job on their cards, which have been sent out to numerous FMPSD friends, stakeholders, and partners both electronically as well as physically. The

22002		with local indigenous community elders. It was suggested that a meet and greet be
22652	Delegations at Previous Meetings Other Business	24.1 FNMI Meeting with Elders Board Chair L. Mywaart discussed the ideas presented on how to expand relationships
22651	Business Arising from Presentations &	No business arising was noted at this time.
22650	AP260 Field Trips & Excursions	13.1 Board Recommendation Final Approval for Westwood Travel to Greece 2019 Motion by Trustee Adams that the Board of Trustees gives final approval for Westwood Community High School Student travel to Greece, during spring break 2019. (April 11-22, 2019) at 7:38 p.m. M/C
		design is also featured on the main District website as a holiday greeting. Congratulations ladies! TAFI (Twitter, Apps, Facebook, Instagram) December's TAFI (Twitter, Apps, Facebook, Instagram) Award went to Jackie Norman. She is the reason we know a lot about early learning at the Fort McMurray Christian School. An ECDP and grade four teacher, Jackie is @MrsNormanFMCS on Twitter, and with over 3109 tweets, you couldn't tell she joined Twitter only two years ago. She takes fun-filled photos of her students, and has been telling our story very well. Congratulations Jackie! Top 50 under 50 recipients This year FMPSD had four people on YMM Magazine's coveted Top 50 Under 50 list. Congratulations Trustee Jonathan Lambert, Angela Woods, VP, Dr. Clark Public School/Indigenous Coordinator, Tom Keca, PEAK Hockey Coach, and Johnathan Phillips, Custodian, Composite High School! You make us proud. Motion by Trustee Maher to recess at 7:16 p.m. M/C Board Chair L. Mywaart reconvened the meeting at 7:32 p.m.

Board Chair: