



In-Camera and Regular Meeting Minutes of the Fort McMurray Public School District Board of Trustees, held at District Office in the Main Boardroom

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Location:	Board Room - District Office, 231 Hardin Street
Date:	January 21, 2015
In Attendance:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Jeff Thompson, Board Chair ✓ Linda Mywaart, Trustee ✓ Tim O'Hara, Trustee ✓ Stephen Drover, Trustee ✓ Angela Adams, Trustee (Via Conference until 3:33 p.m.) ✓ Allan Kallal, Associate Superintendent - Business & Finance ✓ Phil Meagher, Chief Deputy Superintendent - Human Resources & Administration ✓ Dr. Brenda Sautner, Associate Superintendent - Education & Administration ✓ Teena Francis, Recording Secretary <p>Regrets: Doug Nicholls, Superintendent (Joined at 7:56 p.m.)</p>

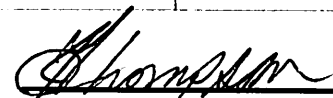
21371	Call to Order	Chair J. Thompson called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.
21372	Additions to In-Camera Agenda	None.
21373	Approval of Agenda	Motion to approve the In-Camera Agenda by Trustee Adams. M/C
21374	In-Camera Meeting	Motion to proceed to the In-Camera Meeting at 2:02 p.m. by Trustee Mywaart. M/C
21375	Out of In-Camera	<p>Motion to move out of the In-Camera Meeting at 2:25 p.m. by Trustee Adams. M/C</p> <p>Motion to waive the published time requirement and proceed to the Regular Board Agenda by Trustee Drover.</p> <p>Should any guests arrive they will be provided with an update and an explanation as to why the Trustees moved forward with the agenda. Prior to the next Board of Trustees Meeting a discussion will take place to determine the structure of the In-Camera and Regular Board of Trustees agenda.</p> <p>M/C Unanimously</p>
21376	Regular Meeting	Chair J. Thompson called the Regular Meeting to order at 2:25 p.m.
21377	Additions to Agenda	Trustee Mywaart requested the addition of PSBC August 2015 Meeting.
21378	Approval of Agenda	Motion to approve the Regular Meeting Agenda with additions by Trustee Drover. M/C
21379	Minutes: In-Camera & Regular of 12/17/2014 Committee of the Whole 01/12/2015	<p>Motion to approve the In-Camera and Regular Meeting Minutes of 12/17/2014 by Trustee Mywaart. M/C</p> <p>Motion to approve the Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes of 01/12/2015 by Trustee O'Hara. M/C</p>
21380	Business Arising from Minutes	21345 - IFCH Alcohol, Restricted & Illicit Drug Policy. Associate Superintendent B. Sautner will review and bring back a decision at the February Board of Trustees Meeting.

21381	Declaration of Conflict	Chair J. Thompson advised that after the review of the Board Agenda, it is the responsibility of all Trustees' to make a declaration of conflict should an agenda item pose a conflict. This will protect the corporate body and decisions can not be challenged. The records will indicate that a Trustee expressed a conflict and abstained from discussion and decision.
21382	Policy: CCA Organization Charts	Associate Superintendent A. Kallal provided a summary of the organizational chart amendments. Motion by Trustee Drover that the Board of Trustees approve policy CCA Organization Charts with amendments. M/C
21383	Policy: II Student Awards & Scholarships	Associate Superintendent B. Sautner provided a summary of the revisions to the policy, noting only the Visual Arts process was revised. Further amendments were recommended. Motion by Trustee Mywaart that the Board of Trustees approve policy II Student Awards & Scholarships with all amendments. M/C Trustee Drover left the meeting at 2:57 and returned at 2:58.
21384	Approval-in-Principle for HICA Field Trip Submission by Westwood Community High School Student Travel to Louisville, Kentucky (April 13 - 19, 2015)	Trustees reviewed HICA Field Trip Submission by Westwood Community High School Students to travel to Louisville, Kentucky, April 13 - 19, 2015. The submission was delayed because Westwood Community High School Robotics Team had to qualify and is attending the Robotics Provincials in Edmonton, AB on February 14 - 16, 2015. Motion by Trustee Adams that the Board of Trustees waive the time requirements. M/C Motion by Trustee O'Hara that the Board of Trustees give approval-in-principle for Westwood Community High School students to travel to Louisville, Kentucky, April 13 - 19, 2015 to participate in the World Robotics Championship. M/C
21385	Final Approval for HICA Field Trip Submission by EDGE School Skill Academy Student Travel to Boston, MA (May 13 - 19, 2015)	Motion by Trustee Mywaart that the Board of Trustees give final approval for EDGE School Skill Academy students to travel to Boston, MA, May 13 - 19, 2015 to attend the Spring Fling AAA Invitational Hockey Tournament. M/C
21386	Approval-In-Principle for HICA Field Trip Submission by École McTavish Junior High School Student Travel to Fayetteville, Arkansas (May 13 - 18, 2015)	Trustees reviewed HICA Field Trip Submission by École McTavish Junior High School Students to travel to Fayetteville, Arkansas, May 13 - 18, 2015. The submission was delayed because École McTavish Junior High School Robotics Team had to qualify for this competition. Motion by Trustee Drover that the Board of Trustees waive the time requirements. M/C Motion by Trustee O'Hara that the Board of Trustees give approval-in-principle for École McTavish Junior High School Robotics Team to travel to Fayetteville, Arkansas, May 13 - 18, 2015 to participate in the First Lego League Razorback Invitational Event. M/C
21387	PSBA August 2015 Meeting	Trustee Mywaart briefed fellow Trustees and Senior Administration on the conference call with M. Campbell, Executive Director. The Guest Speaker, accommodations and Oil Sands Tour have all been arranged. Information is being gathered regarding sponsorship and Friday evening social at Vista Ridge All Seasons Park. As additional information is received it will be shared.
21388	Review of Board Evening Meeting Agenda	Trustee Adams advised she is unable to attend the evening meeting due to travel.
21389	Recess	Motion to recess by Trustee O'Hara at 3:33 p.m. Trustee Adams left the meeting at 3:33 p.m.
21390	Reconvene Regular Meeting	Motion to reconvene the Regular Board Meeting by Chair J. Thompson at 6:30 p.m. Superintendent Nicholls and Trustee Adams send regrets.
21391	O Canada	Chair J. Thompson welcomed everyone present and invited attendees to stand for the national anthem.
21392	Question Period	There were no questions.

21392	FMPSD Spot Light on Education: Fort McMurray Christian School and Thickwood Heights School	<p>Principal J. Champion introduced L. DeGroot, Dance Instructor and dance students from the Fort McMurray Christian School. The Dance Program was created to address feedback from the Accountability Pillars. L. DeGroot has been instrumental in the success of the Fine Arts Program. The students performed a dance routine and asked the Trustee to join them for the second routine. Chair J. Thompson thanked the students and staff for their performance and their passion to continue to make the program a success.</p> <p>Principal K. Bergen introduced J. Barr, Art Teacher and students from Thickwood Heights School. J. Barr highlighted successes of the Visual Arts Program and students presented their artwork to the Trustees. Student art will be displayed at MacDonald Island Art Gallery in March 2015. Chair J. Thompson thanked students and staff for attending and sharing their talented artwork.</p>
21393	FMPSD Programs and Initiatives Showcase: KOAS Partnership and Empathy for the Aging	<p>Chief Deputy Superintendent P. Meagher left the meeting at 7:28 p.m.</p> <p>Rick Kirschner, Executive Director, Jonathan Andrews, General Manager and Dave Martin of KAOS Radio provided an overview of the partnership with Fort McMurray Composite High School. A promotional video was viewed which highlighted the students and station programs. R. Kirschner commented that this partnerships has allowed KAOS to grow and thrive in the community.</p> <p>Chief Deputy Superintendent P. Meagher returned at 7:34 p.m.</p> <p>The CRTC has granted an increase in wattage which has increased KAOS's radio signal. The goal of KAOS Radio is to expand into other FMPSD Schools and offer multi media programs. Chair J. Thompson thanked R. Kirschner and staff for attending commenting FMPSD is proud of the work so far and is excited about future program developments.</p> <p>R. Kirschner presented Chair J. Thompson with a plaque as a token of appreciation and to thank FMPSD for the support.</p> <p>Donna Davidson, Teacher and Empathy for the Aging Coordinator, and Steve Andrejw, Senior's Coordinator for Neighbourhood and Community Development, RMWB presented on Empathy for the Aging. The program originally began at Timberlea Public School and was moved to Walter & Gladys Hill Public School when it opened in September. The program helps to educate students on the realities of aging and illness and provides seniors with that connection and engagement with students.</p> <p>Superintendent D. Nicholls arrived at 7:56 p.m.</p> <p>Chair J. Thompson thanked D. Davidson and S. Andrejw for their hard work and for promoting this program. This intergenerational type of program is very important to the community as it connects young and old. Students are exposed to different experiences and are able to show empathy.</p>
21394	Recess	<p>Motion to recess at 8:00 p.m. by Trustee Drover</p> <p>Reconvened at 8:06 p.m.</p>
21395	Trustee Items	<p>Trustee Mywaart provided a summary of community engagement and provincial association meetings that were attended by Trustees for the month of January.</p>
21396	Reports	<p>Superintendent D. Nicholls updated Trustees and Senior Administration on the meeting with the Minister today. The meeting was open and transparent and touched on the dire realities of the province; successes and challenges of school districts and the economic struggles some school districts will face in the coming years.</p> <p>Chief 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.</p> <p>Associate Superintendent B. Sautner updated Trustees and Senior Administration on the current scope of the Education & Administration Department.</p>
21397	Correspondence	<p>None.</p>

21398	Business Arising from Presentations & Delegations at Previous Meetings	Chair J. Thompson recommended obtaining costs associated with Empathy for the Aging Program. This program adds value to the community and it should be sustained, it would be beneficial to see if there is an opportunity for the government to support.
21399	Other Business	Trustee Mywaart will be attending the ASBA Zone 2/3 Meeting beginning on January 23, 2015.
21400	Request for Information	Costs associated with Empathy for the Aging Program by Chair J. Thompson.
21401	Future Agenda Items	None.
21402	Adjourn	There being no further business, Chair J. Thompson adjourned the meeting at 8:43 p.m.

Board Chair:



Date:

Feb. 18, 2015

Secretary-Treasurer:



Date:

Feb 19, 2015