



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

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Location:	Board Room - District Office, 231 Hardin Street
Date:	November 26, 2014
In Attendance:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Jeff Thompson, Board Chair ✓ Linda Mywaart, Trustee ✓ Tim O'Hara, Trustee ✓ Angela Adams, Trustee via conference ✓ Doug Nicholls, Superintendent of Schools ✓ 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 Regrets: Stephen Drover, Trustee

21299	Call to Order	Chair J. Thompson called the meeting to order at 2:02 p.m.
21300	Additions to In-Camera Agenda	Trustee Mywaart requested an amendment to the In-Camera Agenda. Move In-Camera Agenda Item #5 to the Regular Meeting Agenda.
21301	Approval of Agenda	Motion to approve the amended In-Camera Agenda by Trustee O'Hara. M/C
21302	In-Camera Meeting	Motion to proceed to the In-Camera Meeting at 2:07 p.m. by Trustee O'Hara. M/C
21303	Out of In-Camera	Motion to move out of the In-Camera Meeting at 2:29 p.m. by Trustee O'Hara. M/C Motion to recess before the Regular Board Meeting at 2:30 p.m. by Trustee O'Hara. M/C
21304	Regular Meeting	Chair J. Thompson called the Regular Meeting to order at 3:03 p.m.
21305	Additions to Agenda	Agenda Item as #6: 1. Update on Audited Financial Statements for August 31, 2014 2. Appreciation Evening with Media 3. Paul Martin Aboriginal Entrepreneurial Initiative Launch 4. January Committee of the Whole Meeting Date
21306	Approval of Agenda	Motion to approve the Regular Meeting Agenda with additions by Trustee Mywaart. M/C
21307	Minutes: In-Camera & Regular of 10/22/2014 Committee of the Whole 11/03/2014	Motion to approve the In-Camera and Regular Meeting Minutes of 10/22/2014 by Trustee O'Hara. M/C. Motion to approve the Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes of 11/03/2014 by Trustee Mywaart. M/C
21308	Business Arising from Minutes	Chair J. Thompson requested a briefing on the item 21295, Professional Development Funding and Professional Learning Fridays (PLFs). Superintendent D. Nicholls shared a District Common Message Day has been scheduled for November 28, 2014. The theme is FMPSD Big 3: Learn, Share, Lead. Trustee Adams joined the meeting at 3:23 p.m. Superintendent D. Nicholls will provide a briefing on the District Common Message Day at

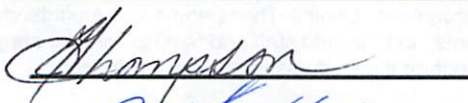
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		the December Committee of the Whole Meeting.
21309	FMPSD System Update	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Update on Audited Financial Statements for August 31, 2014: Associate Superintendent A. Kallal summarized the draft statements. The audited financial statements will be brought forward to the December 17, 2014 Regular Board Meeting for approval. 2. Appreciation Evening with Media: Due to the busyness of the season, this evening will be re-scheduled. 3. Paul Martin Aboriginal Entrepreneurial Initiative Launch: The Right Honourable Paul Martin will be launching the Fort McMurray Composite High School Aboriginal Youth Education Program on December 12, 2014. A private dinner for invited guests has been scheduled for the evening of December 11, 2014. 4. January Committee of the Whole Meeting: This meeting will be re-scheduled for January 12, 2015. The Board Planning Session is scheduled for January 15, and 16, 2015.
20310	Combined 3-Year Strategic Education Plan (SEP) & Annual Education Results Report (AERR) for 2014 - 2017	<p>Associate Superintendent B. Sautner provided an overview of the Combined 3-Year Strategic Education Plan (SEP) & Annual Education Results Report (AERR) for 2014-2017. The financial information will be incorporated when available and then forwarded to Alberta Education for their review and approval.</p> <p>Motion to approve the FMPSD Combined 3-Year Strategic Education Plan (SEP) and Annual Education Results Report (AERR) for 2014 - 2017 by Trustee Adams. M/C</p>
21311	Alberta School Board Association (ASBA)	<p>Chair J. Thompson, Trustee Mywaart and Trustee O'Hara provided overviews of the sessions they attended at the ASBA Fall General Meeting. A proposal was brought forward to reduce the weight of the Grade 12 Diploma Exams from 50 per cent to 30 per cent.</p> <p>Motion to engage our stakeholders, staff, parents, students, and community on the appropriate weighting of diploma exams for 2015 - 2016 by Chair J. Thompson. M/C</p> <p>Superintendent Nicholls will begin researching methods to seek engagements. The Networks Committee will be approached to gather input.</p>
21312	Public School Board Association	<p>Chair J. Thompson, Trustee Mywaart and Trustee O'Hara attend the PSBC Council Meeting and provided a summary of the sessions they attended. A new division was announced: Ms. Jane Martin, Acting Assistant, Deputy Minister, First Nations, Metis and Inuit (FNMI), Education Division.</p> <p>Trustee Mywaart recommended that a letter be drafted to the Minister of Education on behalf of the Board of Trustees to showcase how Inspiring Education is alive and well in our District.</p> <p>Dr. K.A. Clark Elementary School Oskayak Drummers have been invited to open the PSBA Fall Meeting in August 2015.</p>
21313	Review of Evening Public Board Meeting Agenda	Trustees reviewed the evening public agenda in preparation for the Evening Public Board Meeting.
21314	Update on HICA Field Trip Submission by École McTavish Junior High School Students Travel to Anaheim, CA (April 22 - 26, 2015)	<p>This Field Trip was submitted in October. The Board of Trustees requested additional information on how this trip relates to curriculum. The supporting documents were reviewed and based on the information provided Superintendent Nicholls recommended this submission for final approval. The trip is a co-curricular as it relates to the Fine Arts Program.</p> <p>Motion for Final Approval of HICA Field Trip Submission for École McTavish Junior High School students to travel to Anaheim, CA - April 22, - 26, 2015 by Trustee O'Hara.</p> <p>Trustee Mywaart cautioned approving a Field Trip outside of scheduled breaks as it could be precedent setting.</p> <p>Trustee Adams commented while it is unknown whether or not this trip could have been arranged during scheduled break she is prepared to approve. A review of the policy will be needed to ensure it is clear and concise.</p> <p>Further information obtained identified this is not precedent setting as the Board of Trustees approved a field trip out of schedule breaks in 2012.</p> <p>M/C</p>

21315	Final Approval for HICA Field Trip for Westwood Community High School Students to Travel to France & Italy (April 1 - 10, 2015)	Motion for Final Approval of HICA Field Trip Submission for Westwood Community High School Students to Travel to France & Italy - April 1 - 10, 2015 by Trustee Adams. M/C Associate Superintendent B. Sautner left the meeting at 5:14 p.m.
21316	Final Approval for HICA Field Trip for Westwood Community High School Students to Travel to Honolulu, Hawaii (April 4 - 12, 2015)	Motion for Final Approval of HICA Field Trip Submission for Westwood Community High School Students to Travel to Honolulu, Hawaii, April 4 - 12, 2015 by Trustee Adams. M/C
21317	Policy: IHDC Administering Medicines to Students - Amended	Associate Superintendent A. Kallal brought this policy forward for approval. It was reviewed at the Committee of the Whole meeting with a recommendation to bring forward to the Board of Trustees. Motion to approve policy IHDC Administering Medicines to Students as amended by Trustee O'Hara. M/C
21318	2014 - 2015 Fall Budget Update	Trustee O'Hara left the meeting due to pecuniary interests at 5:20 p.m. Associate Superintendent A. Kallal summarize the 2014 - 2015 Fall Budget. Administrators will involved in the budget review process. We will continue to support and promote the great programs that are in our schools. Increased enrolment will increase our resources. Associate Superintendent B. Sautner returned to the meeting at 5:23 p.m. Chair J. Thompson called for a Point of Order at 5:41 p.m. Point of Order concluded at 5:44 p.m. Chief Deputy Superintendent P. Meagher left the meeting at 5:44 Motion by Trustee Adams to approve the 2014 - 2015 Fall Budget as presented. Chief Deputy Superintendent P. Meagher returned to the meeting at 5:48 p.m. M/C
21319	Recess	Motion to recess by Trustee Mywaart at 6:05 p.m. Trustee Adams left the meeting at 6:05 p.m.
21320	Reconvene Regular Meeting	Motion to reconvene the Regular Board Meeting by Chair J. Thompson at 6:35 p.m.
21321	O Canada	Chair J. Thompson welcomed everyone present and invited attendees to stand for the national anthem.
21322	Question Period	There were no questions. Trustee Adams joined the meeting at 6:45 p.m.
21323	Celebration of Student Achievement	FMPSD students who achieved 98% and 100% on the Provincial Achievement Tests and Diploma Exams were recognized. Chair J. Thompson and Superintendent D. Nicholls congratulated the students, and thanked staff and families for their support and guidance. We are honoured to recognize the students for their achievements.
21324	FMPSD Spot Light on Education: Westwood Community High School Fine Arts Program	Westwood Community High School Principal J. Roy, Vice Principal D. Tulk were joined by M. Angel, Voice/Plano Coach. Students J. Boutillier performed a solo and S. Hassenstein along with M. Angel performed a piano duet.
21325	Recognition of Community Partners	Chair J. Thompson and Superintendent D. Nicholls thanked P. McQuillian and K. McQuillian of Home Pro for their generous donation to the Spot Light on Education Students. With the donation, shirts were purchased and are provide to all students showcasing their school and talent. Superintendent D. Nicholls shared he attended the Annual General Meeting of the Wood

		Buffalo Food Bank Association. FMPSD was presented with a plaque in recognition of our partnership and continue support.
21326	Recess	Motion to recess at 7:19 p.m. by Trustee O'Hara Reconvened at 7:23 p.m.
21327	FMPSD Programs and Initiatives Showcase	Learning Through the Arts, Regional Manager M. Merrell and A. Myers showcased the program. The program is operating district wide and is very successful. C. Upper from the 2015 Western Canada Summer Games provided an overview of his role with the Games Committee. Activity cards and Instructional Handbook have been developed to promote the games within the classrooms. Trustees and Senior Administration joined C. Upper in one of the activities.
21328	Trustee Items	Trustee Mywaart provided a summary of the community engagement and provincial association meetings that were attended by Trustees for the month of November.
21329	Reports	Superintendent D. Nicholls updated Trustees on highlights of his report including the FMPSD Has Talent Event being planned. Both ATA and CUPE have been informed and are supportive. A District Common Message Day is planned for November 28, 2014. Chief Deputy Superintendent P. Meagher summarized his report to the Trustees asking for approval to share the draft 2015-2016 District School Calendar with ATA and CUPE for the purpose of obtaining feedback. The Trustees approved sharing the 2015-2016 District School Calendar in draft form. Associate Superintendent A. Kallal summarized his report for the Trustees. Associate Superintendent B. Sautner summarized her report to the Trustees. Trustee Mywaart and Trustee Adams will bring forward the Pilot for Dual Credit Program for discussion at the next Fort McMurray Composite High School Modernization Advisory Committee Meeting.
21330	Correspondence	Chair J. Thompson brought forward a letter from former Minister of Education Jeff Johnson introducing the new Minister of Education Gordon Dirks. Chair J. Thompson updated Trustees and Senior Administration on two letters received from Minister Gordon Dirks. The first letter referred to Alternate Programs which the District has already addressed and the second letter approved additional funding for the modulars for École McTavish Junior High School.
21331	Business Arising from Presentations & Delegations at Previous Meetings	Trustee Mywaart will be attending the ASBA Zone 2/3 meeting in December.
21332	Other Business	None.
21333	Request for Information	None.
21334	Future Agenda Items	FMPSD Technology and Library Presentation is scheduled for the February 18, 2015 Board Meeting.
21335	Adjourn	There being no further business, Chair J. Thompson adjourned the meeting at 8:36 p.m.

Board Chair:



Secretary-Treasurer:

