



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:	February 18, 2015
In Attendance:	Jeff Thompson, Board Chair Linda Mywaart, Trustee Tim O'Hara, Trustee Stephen Drover, Trustee Doug Nicholls, Superintendent Phil Meagher, Chief Deputy Superintendent - Human Resources & Administration Dr. Brenda Sautner, Associate Superintendent - Education & Administration Teena Francis, Recording Secretary
Regrets:	Angela Adams, Trustee Allan Kallal, Associate Superintendent - Business & Finance

21403	Call to Order	Board Chair J. Thompson called the meeting to order at 2:02 p.m.
21404	Additions to In-Camera Agenda	None.
21405	Approval of Agenda	Motion by Trustee Drover to approve the In-Camera Agenda. M/C
21406	In-Camera Meeting	Motion by Trustee Mywaart to proceed to the In-Camera Meeting at 2:02 p.m. M/C Board Chair J. Thompson left the meeting at 2:07 p.m. and returned at 2:09 p.m.
21407	Out of In-Camera	The remainder of the In-Camera Agenda will be resumed after the Regular Board Agenda. Motion by Trustee O'Hara to move out of the In-Camera Meeting at 2:59 p.m. M/C
21408	Regular Meeting	Board Chair J. Thompson called the Regular Meeting to order at 3:04 p.m. Superintendent Nicholls left the meeting at 3:04 p.m.
21409	Additions to Agenda	No additions.
21410	Approval of Agenda	Motion by Trustee O'Hara to approve the Regular Meeting Agenda. M/C
21411	Minutes: In-Camera & Regular of 01/21/2015 Committee of the Whole 02/02/2015	Motion by Trustee Mywaart to approve the In-Camera and Regular Meeting Minutes of 01/21/2015. M/C Motion by Trustee Drover to approve the Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes of 02/02/2015. M/C
21412	Business Arising from Minutes	Costs Associated with Empathy for the Aging: This program received a grant from ConocoPhillips. There are no costs associated for this school year. Trustees agreed that this is a powerful connection and beneficial for all generations. It was recommended that conversations be held with other community agencies to obtain additional background information and long term programming needs.

		<p>Board Item 21345 IFCH Alcohol, Restricted & Illicit Drug Policy: Associate Superintendent B. Sautner continues to work on the policy.</p> <p>2015 - 2016 School Calendar: Chief Deputy Superintendent P. Meagher reviewed the proposed 2015 - 2016 Calendar as well as proposed dates for the 2016 - 2017 school year. The motion to approve of the 2015 - 2016 School Calendar will be held during the Regular Agenda.</p> <p>Trustee Mywaart left the meeting at 3:12 p.m. and returned at 3:18 p.m.</p>
21413	Declaration of Conflict	No conflicts identified.
21414	Public School Boards' Association (PSBA)	<p>Trustee Mywaart briefed fellow Trustees and Senior Administration on information gathered at the PSBA Meeting. It was recommended that School Boards implement an investigation policy if one is not already in place. Research will begin through the Superintendent's Office and the Policy Advisory Committee.</p> <p>Superintendent Nicholls returned at 3:23 p.m.</p>
21415	Alberta School Boards Association	<p>Trustees and Senior Administration reviewed the ASBA President's Statement Re: Possible per cent cut to provincial budget.</p> <p>ASBA is offering free workshops on the Education Act. The workshops would be beneficial. More information will follow.</p> <p>Trustee Mywaart is attending the upcoming ASBA meeting. Board Chair J. Thompson suggested Trustee Mywaart bring forward a question regarding Northlands School Division. What advocacy is ASBA involved in regarding the re-establishment of a Board for Northlands School Division?</p>
21416	Networks Committee Motion to the Board of Trustees	<p>Board Chair J. Thompson brought forward a motion from the FMPSD Networks Committee.</p> <p>Motion by Board Chair J. Thompson that the Board of Trustees allocate \$600.00 to each school to assist School Council Representatives who wish to attend the Alberta School Council Association AGM. M/C</p>
21417	Policy IHAA Health Promoting School Environment	Motion by Trustee O'Hara to approve the second and third reading on IHAA Health Promoting School Environment Policy. M/C
21418	Final Approval for HICA Field Trip Submission by Westwood Community High School Student Travel to Louisville, Kentucky (April 13 - 19, 2015)	<p>Motion by Trustee Drover that the Board of Trustees give final approval for Westwood Community High School student travel to Louisville, Kentucky, April 13 - 19, 2015.</p> <p>Westwood Community High School placed 2nd in a recent competition and were required to place 1st to gain admission to the Louisville Competition. They are being proactive as they have been placed on a waitlist. M/C</p> <p>Associate Superintendent B. Sautner left the meeting at 3:57 p.m. and returned at 3:59 p.m.</p>
21419	Final Approval for HICA Field Trip Submission by École McTavish Junior High School Student Travel to Fayetteville, Arkansas (May 13 - 18, 2015)	Motion by Trustee Mywaart that the Board of Trustees give final approval 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
21420	Feedback from Dr. K. Wells Session	<p>Trustees shared that the sessions facilitated by Dr. K. Wells were thought provoking, educational and provided hard data. Areas identified as needing further research and discussion were Stand Alone Policy, Universal Washrooms, and FMPSD Registration Forms.</p> <p>The Trustees provided direction to the Superintendent that through the Fort McMurray Composite Modernization that the wish of the Board of Trustees is to see universal washrooms installed during this process. Additional, research will begin on the policy development and registration form revision.</p>

21421	Review of Board Evening Meeting Agenda	Trustees reviewed the Board Evening Agenda. Approval of the 2015 - 2016 School Calendar was added after Question Period. Motion by Trustee Drover to resume the in-camera session at 4:41 p.m. Motion by Trustee O'Hara to conclude the in-camera session at 5:17 p.m.
21422	Recess	Motion by Trustee O'Hara to recess at 5:17 p.m.
21423	Reconvene Regular Meeting	Motion to reconvene the Regular Board Meeting by Chair J. Thompson at 6:33 p.m. Trustee Adams and Associate Superintendent A. Kallal send regrets.
21424	O Canada	Chair J. Thompson welcomed everyone present and invited attendees to stand for the national anthem. Following the national anthem guests were asked to remain standing for a moment of silence to honour colleagues who are not with us anymore.
21425	Question Period	There were no questions.
21426	2015 - 2016 School Year Calendar Approval	Chief Deputy Superintendent P. Meagher provided a summary of the proposed 2015 - 2016 School Calendar. Motion by Trustee O'Hara that the Board of Trustees approve the 2015 - 2016 School Year Calendar as presented. Requested to add "Proposed Breaks for 2016 - 2017" before the proposed dates at the bottom. M/C
21427	FMPSD Spot Light on Education: Beacon Hill Public School	Principal W. Najmeddine introduced staff members Matthew Buckley and Janet Forshner and Beacon Hill Students. J. Forshner and students showcased Beacon Hill's Volunteer Friday's Program. Trustees thanked all the staff involved for their leadership and the students for their great examples of ethical citizenship.
21428	FMPSD Programs and Initiatives Showcase: Promoting Healthy School Communities and Wellness Award Recognition of M. Francis	Melanie Vance, Health Promotion Coordinator presented on the partnership with FMPSD: Promoting Healthy Schools Communities. Associate Superintendent B. Sautner introduced Marina Francis, Teacher at Westwood Community High School. Recently, M. Francis was presented the Award of Distinction at the 6th Annual Shaping the Future Conference. Trustees thanked M. Francis for her commitment and passion and congratulated her on the Award of Distinction.
21429	Recess	Motion by Trustee Drover to recess at 7:38 p.m. Regular Board Meeting reconvened at 7:42 p.m.
21430	Trustee Items	Board Chair J. Thompson provided a summary of community engagement and provincial association meetings that were attended by Trustees for the month of February.
21431	Reports	Superintendent D. Nicholls updated Trustees and Senior Administration on the grade configurations discussions. Superintendent D. Nicholls is attending Staff Meetings and along with Trustees attending Parent Council Meetings to obtain feedback. The current focus is on the south side schools. This item will also be included on the Joint Networks Committee Agenda for March 30, 2015. The policy guidelines and timelines will be distributed to Administration and Networks Committee. Board Chair J. Thompson advised that the Trustees should have enough information to make a decision at the April 2015 Board Meeting or delay the decision with the request for additional information. Chief Deputy Superintendent P. Meagher updated Trustees and Senior Administration on the current scope of the Human Resources and Administration Department. Associate Superintendent B. Sautner updated Trustees and Senior Administration on the current scope of the Education & Administration Department.
21432	Correspondence	None.
21433	Business Arising from Presentations &	None at this time.

	Delegations at Previous Meetings	
21434	Other Business	None at this time.
21435	Request for Information	Research policy on Investigations and LBGQT.
21436	Future Agenda Items	None.
21437	Adjourn	There being no further business, Chair J. Thompson adjourned the meeting at 8:09 p.m.

Board Chair:

J. Thompson

Date:

Mar. 18, 2015

Secretary-Treasurer:

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Date:

March 19, 2015