



Minutes of the In-Camera, In-Conference and Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Fort McMurray Public School District, held in the Main Board Room, Clearwater Public Education Centre, 2012 12 17.

Attendees:

Chair	- J. Thompson
Vice Chair	- G. Cooper (via teleconference)
Trustee	- L. Mywaart
Trustee	- S. Drover
Trustee	- A. Adams joined at 0857 hrs.
Superintendent of Schools	- D. Parsons
Associate Superintendent	- A. Kallal
- Business & Finance	
Associate Superintendent	- P. Meagher
- Human Resources & Admin.	
Associate Superintendent	- B. Sautner
- Education & Admin.	
Recording Secretary	- S. Dunn

20451	Call to Order	Chair, Jeff Thompson, called the meeting to order at 0834 hrs.
20452	Additions to the In-Camera Agenda	None
20453	Approval of Agenda	Trustee Drover served motion at 0835 hrs. M/C That the agenda be approved.
20454	In-Camera Meeting	Trustee Mywaart served motion at 0835 hrs. M/C That the meeting proceed to the in-camera meeting.
20455	Shop Talk	Deferred
20456	Out of In-Camera	Trustee Adams served motion at 1028 hrs. M/C That the Board of Trustees move out of the In-Camera meeting and proceed to In-Conference Agenda
20457	Additions to Agenda	None
20458	Approval of Agenda	Trustee Cooper served motion at 1029 hrs. M/C That the agenda be approved.
20459	Minutes – In-Camera, In-Conference and Regular Meeting 2012 11 26	Trustee Mywaart served motion at 1030 hrs. M/C That the Minutes of 2012 11 26 In-Camera, In-Conference & Regular Board Meeting be approved.

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20460	Minutes – Special Board Meeting 2012 12 03	Trustee Mywaart served motion at 1129 hrs. M/C That the Minutes of 2012 12 03 Special Board Meeting be approved.
20461	Minutes – Committee of the Whole Meeting 2012 12 03	Trustee Mywaart served motion at 1130 hrs. M/C That the Minutes of 2012 12 03 Committee of the Whole Meeting be approved.
20462	Business Arising from the Minutes	a) Rotating Board Meetings b) Donation in Lieu of Gift Exchange c) Debrief on School Growth Plan Presentations – topic to be placed on the January 7, 2013, Committee of the Whole (COW) Meeting Agenda
20463	Superintendent's Report	Superintendent Parsons briefly reviewed his report for Trustees and senior administration. Trustees agreed the topic of Budget would be deferred to the January 7, 2013, COW meeting. There were no further questions or concerns.
20464		Regrets: Associate Superintendent, Allan Kallal, at 1130 hrs.
20465	Enrollment	Superintendent Parsons briefly updated trustees and senior administration on prior Board discussions with regard to this topic. Several options were presented and the logistics of each option were reviewed and discussed.  Trustees agreed to defer any decision making regarding this topic to the February Board meeting pending possible announcements from Alberta Education.
20466		Regrets: Chair, Jeff Thompson, at 1200 hrs.  Vice Chair, Glenn Cooper, assumed Chair at 1200 hrs.
20467	Board Meetings/Survey Results	Vice Chair, Glenn Cooper, updated trustees and senior administration on the survey results presented and discussion followed.
20468		Chair, Jeff Thompson, rejoined at 1235 hrs.
20469	Board Meetings/Survey Results	Chair, Jeff Thompson, revisited the purpose and intent for the District's initiation of the survey. Further discussion followed. The decision regarding future Board meetings was deferred.
20470	ASBA	Deferred.
20471	Trustee Engagement	Trustee Angela Adams agreed to present Trustee Engagement during the regular meeting.



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20472	Review of Public Agenda	Trustees reviewed the public agenda in preparation for the Regular Board meeting.
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20473	Recess	Trustee, Glenn Cooper, served motion to recess M/C That the meeting move out of in-conference and recess until 1330 hours.
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20474	Convene Regular Meeting	Chair, Jeff Thompson, called the meeting to order M/C That the Board of Trustees reconvene the Regular Meeting at 1309 hrs.  Other attendees: 3 Media: 1
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20475	O Canada	Chair, Jeff Thompson, welcomed everyone present and invited them to stand for the national anthem.  A moment of silence followed in memory of the 26 students and staff of the Sandy Hook Elementary School in Newtown, Connecticut, who recently lost their lives in a shooting rampage.
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20476	Question Period	There were no questions.
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20477	Additions to Agenda	None
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20478	Approval of Agenda	Trustee Drover served motion at 1315 hrs. M/C That the agenda be approved.
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20479 Delegations and  
Presentations

Spotlight on Education

**Fort McMurray Islamic  
School (FMIS)**

Associate Superintendent, Mr. Phil Meagher, introduced FMIS Vice Principal, Mr. David Parsons and teacher Wendy Eastman. Ms. Eastman introduced the Mathletics interactive game FMIS students utilize to learn, study and complete world-wide. A delightful video presentation and brief question and answer period were also part of their Spotlight on Education.

**Greely Road Public  
School**

Associate Superintendent, Mr. Phil Meagher, introduced Greely Road Principal, Annalee Nutter. Ms. Nutter updated trustees and senior administration on the creation of a student council and introduced 11 Greely Road students. A video presentation on student leadership followed, along with an entertaining rap song performed by the students.

Decade Marker  
Presentation – Greely  
Road & Fort McMurray  
Islamic Schools

Students from both Fort McMurray Islamic School and Greely Road School unveiled the 1942 – 1952 decade marker and presented it to the Board.

Chair, Jeff Thompson, and trustees thanked the students for their delightful presentations.

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Regrets: Trustee Glenn Cooper at 1404 hrs.

20481 **Superintendent of  
Schools Report**

Superintendent Parsons provided highlights of his report, including updating trustees and senior administration on the very successful Lego League tournament held this past Saturday. He also provided trustees with an action plan formulated as follow up to the October 30<sup>th</sup> FMPSD Partnership Priorities and Possibilities: Achieving Greater Collective Impact Meeting. Chair, Jeff Thompson, indicated a debrief session will be scheduled in January with trustees. Superintendent Parsons indicated this action plan will also be sent out to the various stakeholders.

Superintendent Parsons also updated trustees and senior administration on research conducted by Dr. Brenda Sautner regarding a Bullying Hotline. Dr. Sautner recommended the addition of the Provincial bullying helpline number to our District website.

20482 **Bullying Helpline**

Trustee Mywaart served motion at 1418 hrs.

M/C

That the Board of Trustees give approval to post the Provincial bullying helpline telephone number on our District website.

Trustee Drover suggested posters indicating the Provincial bullying helpline be put up in our schools. Trustee Mywaart indicated she was aware that the District has supports in place to assist students who have been bullied, but she inquired about District supports for the bullies. Dr. Sautner responded.

20483 **Continuation of  
Superintendent's Report**

The fall public engagement survey results were provided to trustees, along with several options for board meeting times and location. Superintendent Parsons called upon Associate Superintendent Phil Meagher to review the options presented.



20484	Future Board Meetings	<p>Trustee Drover served motion at 1445 hrs. M/C That the Board of Trustees change their meeting format to now hold regular board meetings in the Main Board Room at the Clearwater Public Education Centre commencing at 7 p.m. including the Spotlight on Education. The In-Camera and In-Conference meetings will fall in line with this time frame.</p>
20485	Continuation of Superintendent's Report	<p>Superintendent Parsons updated trustees and senior administration on a debriefing session he had with Principals at the recent Leader's Meeting regarding the School Growth Plan presentations that were held on December 3<sup>rd</sup>. Feedback obtained from the leaders was very positive.</p> <p>He also updated trustees and senior administration on the new School Act, the current status of the Tripartite discussions, and a recent Shared Services Meeting.</p>
20486	Approval-in-Principle – Composite High School Students Travel to Hawaii Spring Break 2013	<p>Superintendent Parsons updated trustees and senior administration on a proposed trip for Composite High School students to travel to Hawaii during Spring Break 2013.</p> <p>Trustee Drover served motion at 1505 hrs. M/C, as amended That the Board of Trustees waive the timelines and give approval-in-principle for Composite High School Students travel to Hawaii during Spring Break 2013.</p>
20487	Approval – 2011 – 2012 Annual Education Results Report	<p>Associate Superintendent, Brenda Sautner, updated trustees and senior administration on the 2011 – 2012 Annual Education Results Report. This topic will be brought back for further discussion at the Committee of the Whole meeting in January, along with the School Growth Plans.</p> <p>Trustee Mywaart served motion at 1517 hrs. M/C That the Board of Trustees approve the 2011 – 2012 Annual Education Results Report for the Fort McMurray Public School District #2833.</p>
20488	Budget	<p>Deferred to the January Board meeting.</p>
20489	First Reading – Policy HKFB Graduation Requirements & Ceremonies	<p>Superintendent, Dennis Parsons, updated trustees and senior administration on the request for consideration of first reading of policy HKFB Graduation Requirements &amp; Ceremonies. He indicated this policy has been reviewed through the Policy Advisory Committee.</p> <p>Trustees provided feedback.</p> <p>Trustee Mywaart served motion at 1544 hrs. M/C That the Board of Trustees approve first reading of Policy HKFB Graduation Requirements &amp; Ceremonies.</p>



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20490    Trustee Items                    Trustee Engagement - Trustee Drover reported on trustee engagement since the November 26, 2012, Board Meeting:

December 3    Wood Buffalo Leaders Dinner  
December 5    Fort McMurray Christian School Christmas Concert  
December 6    Ecole McTavish Play  
December 8    District Gala  
December 12   Westwood Christmas Concert  
December 16   Lego Robotics

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20491    Correspondence                    1.    Chair, Jeff Thompson, updated trustees on his receipt of the Rural Alberta Development Fund Annual Report.

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20492    Business Arising                    None

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20493    Other Business                    None

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20494    Request for Information            None

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20495    Future Agenda Items                Budget

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20496    Alberta School Boards Association    Deferred to January COW meeting.

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20497    Adjournment                        There being no further business, Chair, Jeff Thompson, adjourned the meeting at 1627 hrs.

  
BOARD CHAIR

  
SECRETARY-TREASURER

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