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BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

Date: Wednesday, October 25, 2023

Location: 231 Hardin Street, Central Board Room
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Time: 2:00 p.m.

In Attendance:

Board Chair:
Vice-Chair:
Trustees:

Linda Mywaart
Jonathan Lambert
Malcolm Setter
Lorna Spargo
Tim O'Hara

Superintendent of Schools:
Associate Superintendent, *Business & Finance*:
Assistant Superintendent, *HR & Administration*:

Annalee Nutter
Allan Kallal
Merrie-Rae Mitsopoulos

Recording Secretary:

Traci Towe

Regrets:

Angela Adams
Jason Schulz

	ITEM	DISCUSSION
24426	1.0 Call to Order	Board Chair L. Mywaart called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m.
	O Canada	Board Chair L. Mywaart invited those in attendance to stand for the playing of the National Anthem.
24427	2.0 Acknowledgment of Treaty 8 Lands and Territory	Fort McMurray Public School Division acknowledges that we are on Treaty 8 Territory, a traditional meeting grounds, gathering place, and travelling route to the Cree, Dënësulinë, and Métis. We acknowledge all the many First Nations, Métis and Inuit whose footsteps have marked these lands for centuries. We are dedicated to honouring the intent and spirit of Treaty 8.
	Safety Moment	Assistant Superintendent Mitsopoulos provided the safety moment for those in attendance.
24428	3.1 Agenda	Agenda accepted as presented.


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24429	3.2 Approve Agenda	Motion by Trustee Spargo THAT the Board of Trustees approves the Agenda with one addition. Chair Mywaart read the question. Carried 2:10 p.m.
24430	4.0 Declaration of Conflict	Board Chair L. Mywaart reminded Trustees of their responsibility to make a declaration should any agenda item pose a pecuniary conflict and remove themselves from the meeting for those items.
24431	5.0 Minutes 5.1 Approval of Regular Board Meeting Minutes	The Board reviewed the Regular Board of Trustees meeting minutes of September 27, 2023. MOTION by Trustee Spargo THAT the Board of Trustees adopt the minutes as presented. Board Chair L. Mywaart read the Motion. Carried at 2:11 p.m.
	Comment	Trustee O'Hara entered the Board room at 2:11 p.m.
24432	6.0 Closed Session	Motion by Trustee Setter THAT the Board of Trustees moves to the Closed Session of the meeting. Board Chair L. Mywaart read the Motion. Carried: 2:12 p.m.
	Comment	Trustee Lambert left the Board room at 2:21 and returned at 2:25 p.m.
24433	Reconvene Regular Board Meeting	MOTION by Trustee O'Hara THAT the Board of Trustees come out of the closed session with a short recess and reconvene the regular board meeting at 4:20 p.m. Board Chair Mywaart read the Motion. Carried 4:07 p.m. Board Chair Mywaart asked Trustees if there was any objection to adding an item from the Closed Session discussion to the regular agenda as 7.2 Contract Negotiation. No objections were spoken.
24434	7.0 Action Items 7.1 Board Work Plan	Chair Mywaart reviewed the Board Work Plan. Standing Action Item on the Agenda. The following items below reflect the Board's Work Plan for the month of October.
24435	7.0 Action Items 7.1.1 Review September 30 Enrollment Report	Associate Superintendent Kallal provided the following information to the Board: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enrollment growth of 7.21%. • Assessments and coding will continue until the end of November • Preliminary ECDP coding shows 10.27% unfunded students • Grades 1 and grades 4- 12 all had enrollment growth. • EAL numbers are down 15.5% • ECS Mild-Moderate Rate is up by 9.32% • Severe is up by 21% (which reflects three times the growth enrollment of 7.21%) • FNMI is up 10.18% Questions asked/answered by the Board.
	Comment	Trustee Spargo left the Board room at 4:38 p.m. and returned at 4:44 p.m. Trustee Lambert left the meeting at 4:44 p.m.
24436	7.0 Action Items 7.1.2 Review Student Accountability Report	The statistics from Alberta Education have not been received. This information will be presented at the November Board meeting.
24437	7.0 Action Items 7.1.3. Review School Council reports.	Trustee Spargo informed the Board that she had emailed a written document she had authored regarding the annual school council reports, which were originally due in June. This information will also be presented during the Joint Networks meeting scheduled for November 14, 2023.
24438	7.0 Action Items 7.1.4 Prepare for ASBA/PSBAA Fall General Meetings	Chair Mywaart provided an update on the PSBAA Fall General Conference that took place last week, running from October 18th to the 20th. Additionally, Chair Mywaart gave a brief summary of the conference. Chair Mywaart will also attend the PSBC meeting (as FMPSD rep) on November 17th and 18th. The ASBA Fall General Conference is scheduled for November 19th to the 21st. Trustees are kindly

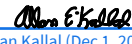
		requested to examine the documentation that was distributed and if any inquiries arise, please forward them to the Trustees who will be attending the ASBA conference.
24439	7.0 Action Items 7.1.5 Review Alberta Education - Modular Classroom Submission	Associate Superintendent Kallal informed the Board that he had thoroughly examined the past submissions for modulars, along with previous discussions and guidance from the Ministry of Education. He presented the Board with four key priorities and/or in addition to the two modulars that the Division has received from the Ministry.
24440	7.0 Action Items 7.2 Contract Negotiation	The Board, in the Closed Session, discussed the Superintendent's contract. Motion by Trustee Spargo THAT the Board of Trustees designate the Board and Vice-Chair to conclude the review of the Superintendent's Contract. Chair Mywaart read the question. Carried 4:51 p.m.
24441	8.0 Information Reports 8.1 PSBAA (including PSBC)	Chair Mywaart expressed congratulations on behalf of the Board to Trustee O'Hara for being newly elected to PSBAA as a Director for a one-year term. Chair Mywaart also advised that the PSBAA's budget passed with full support. During the meeting, PSBAA also had a professional learning session featuring a speaker named Glen Tecker, whose insights aligned nicely with the work this Board had undertaken with consultant Chris Smeaton last spring.
24442	8.0 Information Reports 8.2 ASBA (Including Zone %)	Trustee Spargo advised the next meeting will be held on October 27, 2023. Trustee Spargo sought input from the Board on items she wished to bring forward to the meeting, specifically regarding timelines and processes, which the Board endorsed. Regarding classroom complexities and mental health, those should be stated in broad categories. On October 30th, there will be a Speakers Corner on the topic of the Municipalities Act. This is open to any Trustee who would like to attend.
24443	8.0 Information Report 8.3 Trustee Engagement Report	Chair Mywaart reviewed this month's Trustee Engagement report.
24444	8.0 Information Reports 8.4 Superintendent Report	Superintendent Nutter presented her report to the Trustees, informing them that a meeting had taken place with the Ministry of Education on October 18th to discuss the AERR. The feedback from this meeting was highly positive, and it was suggested that this report could serve as a model for other Divisions due to its exemplary format, layout, professional learning content, and reader-friendly presentation. Chair Mywaart commended Superintendent Nutter and her staff, and thanked them for their work on the AERR. Report accepted by Trustees with questions asked and answered.
24445	8.0 Information Reports 8.4.1 Director of Inclusive Education	Superintendent Nutter shared the report from the Director of Inclusive Learning. Report accepted by Trustees.
24446	8.0 Information Reports 8.4.2 Director of Teaching & Learning.	Superintendent Nutter shared the report from the Director of Teaching & Learning. Report accepted by Trustees.
24447	8.0 Information Reports 8.4.3 Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources & Administration	Assistant Superintendent Mitsopoulous shared her report with the Board. Assistant Superintendent Mitsopoulous advised that she and Director Shelley-Lewis had just returned from a recruiting trip in Ontario in the hopes of recruiting some new teachers Report accepted by Trustees with questions asked and answered.
24448	8.0 Information Reports 8.4.4 Director of Human Resources & Administration	Assistant Superintendent Mitsopoulous shared the Director's report with the Board Report accepted by Trustees.
24449	8.0 Information Reports 8.4.5 Associate Superintendent of Business & Finance	Associate Superintendent Kallal shared his report. Report accepted by Trustees with a few questions asked and answered.

24450	9.0 Information & Correspondence	Chair Mywaart informed the Board that they had received an invitation to meet with Minister Nicolaides on November 21st at 1:00 p.m. This meeting is an opportunity to talk about the Division's successes and present some of the challenges.
24451	10.0 Request for Information	There was none.
24452	Recess	Motion by Trustee Spargo THAT the Board of Trustees recess and reconvene the Board meeting at 6:30 p.m. Chair Mywaart read the Motion. Carried 5:23 p.m.
24453	Reconvene Board of Trustee Meeting	The Board of Trustee meeting reconvened at 6:31 p.m.
	Safety Moment	Assistant Superintendent Mitsopoulos provided the safety moment for those in attendance.
24454	12:0 Spotlight on Students 12.1 Westwood Community High - Student Council	Westwood's Student Council shared a presentation with the Board on what their student council is trying to obtain within their school community. Their motto is "By the Students, For the Students". They shared their purpose of developing student leaders and the communal benefits that can be had. They aim to achieve this by the following: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Events 2. Community 3. Inclusivity 4. Growth 5. Plan for Progressive Growth <p>The Board was impressed with their leadership qualities as well as the work of the student council in creating an inclusive school community.</p> <p>LINK to the School Council presentation.</p>
24455	12.0 Spotlight on Students 12.2 École McTavish	École McTavish students shared their experience with the Skills Alberta Competition, which is part of the National Association, Skills Canada. There is an average of 701 competitors each year amongst 115 schools and 45 contest areas. Students have a chance to compete regionally, provincially and then nationally. Skills Canada was established in 1992 to equip young people with the skills to compete drastically in a changing world market. One student and one former student (Sydney Sandmoen and Sabrina Crewe) shared their experiences with the Board LINK
24456	13.0 Division Showcase 13.1 International Aloha Math Competition - Malaysia	Sniti Shah from Dave McNeilly Public School won the Grand Champion trophy, Grade 3 Category, in the International Aloha Math Competition in Malaysia. This competition is for children ranging in age from 4 to 13. Nearly 600 students from 12 countries participated in the competition. Congratulations, Sniti on a well-deserved accomplishment! News Release LINK
24457	13.0 Division Showcase 13.2 Loran Teachers Building Leaders Awards	The Loran Teachers Building Leaders Award, supported by the McCall MacBain Foundation, recognizes primary and secondary school teachers who provide early inspiration, guidance and growth opportunities for our scholars. Each year, graduating Loran Scholars are invited to show gratitude to the teachers who impacted their lives by nominating them for a Loran Teachers Building Leaders Award. As of Dec. 2018, 58 Loran Scholars have recognized 74 teachers across Canada. This year, two of Westwood Public High School's teachers received this distinguished award. Congratulations to Mr. Said El Mejdani and Mr. Jeff Landry for the well-deserved recognition.
24458	14.0 Business Arising From Presentations & Delegations or Previous Meetings	There was none.

24459	15.0 Other Business	There was none.
24460	16.0 Future Agenda Items	There were none.
24461	Adjournment	There being no further business, MOTION by Trustee Setter. THAT the Regular Board of Trustee meeting of October 25, 2023, be adjourned. Chair Mywaart read the motion. Carried at 7:42 p.m.

Board Chair: 
Linda Mywaart (Nov 30, 2023 13:44 MST)

Date: 11/30/2023

Secretary-Treasurer: 
Allan Kallal (Dec 1, 2023 13:36 MST)

Date: 12/01/2023









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