



Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
MINUTES

Tuesday, June 16, 2026
2:00 PM

HPSD Learning Support Centre - High Prairie, AB

Present: Joy McGregor, Chair
Tammy Henkel, Trustee
Karin Scholl, Vice-Chair
Lynn Skrepnek, Trustee
Lorrie Shelp, Trustee
Steven Adams, Trustee
Michael Strebchuk, Trustee

Staff Present: Murray Marran, Superintendent
Pam Heckbert, Deputy Superintendent
Darla Stout, Director of Finance
Sandra Cairns, Director of Corporate Services
Richa Sherman-Peters, Executive Assistant

Staff Absent: Kyle Nichols, Director of Communications

- 1. Division Vision Statement & Values and Board Priorities**
- 2. Call to Order**

The Closed Session of the agenda took place at 1:00 p.m. and ended at 1:41 p.m. prior to the Call to Order of the Open session.

The following items were reviewed under Closed: Trustee Upcoming Meetings & Accommodations, Finance Documents, Committee of the Whole, Suspension List, Action List, and Retirements, Resignations, Appointments & Transfers.

The YouTube live stream began at 2:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m.

- 3. Opening Remarks**

Chair, Joy McGregor, acknowledged the ancestral land on which we are meeting.

- 4. Adoption of Agenda**

The following items were added to the agenda:

8.2 International Travel

9.3 TEBA representative

Resolution BDO20260616.1001

Moved By: Steven Adams

That the agenda be accepted as amended.

Carried

- 5. Adoption of Previous Minutes**

Resolution BDO20260616.1002

Moved By: Steven Adams

That the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees held May 19, 2026, be adopted as presented.

Carried

6. Delegations / Presentations

6.1 Attendance Update - Lisa Palko

Attendance Officer, Lisa Palko, provided an update regarding the state of student attendance within the division.

Lisa Palko exited virtually at 2:45 p.m.

7. Points to Celebrate

Superintendent Marran presented Points to Celebrate.

8. Discussion Items

8.1 Alberta Education and Childcare Assurance Measures - Summary Spring 2026

Results are no longer embargoed. In 5 of the 7 categories, we are performing above provincial average. The 2 areas that are still of concern are also improving.

8.2 International Travel

Travel is proceeding as planned unless a travel advisory is issued.

9. Action Items

9.1 Capital Purchase - Switch Upgrade for Georges P. Vanier School

Resolution BDO20260616.1003

Moved By: Karin Scholl

That the Board has reviewed the cost and justification for the required upgraded switches and has approved the purchase up to \$65,000.00.

Carried

9.2 Action Item - Superintendent Resignation

Resolution BDO20260616.1004

Moved By: Michael Strebchuk

That the Board moves to accept the resignation of Superintendent Murray Marran effective September 1, 2026.

Carried

Resolution BDO20260616.1005

Moved By: Karin Scholl

That the Board moves to hire an outside consultant to assist in the recruitment and hiring process for a new Superintendent, at a cost of up to \$50,000.00.

Carried

Resolution BDO20260616.1006

Moved By: Steven Adams

That the Board moves to appoint Deputy Superintendent - Pam Heckbert as Acting Superintendent in the interim, effective September 1, 2026.

Carried

9.3 Action Item - TEBA representative

Resolution BDO20260616.1007

Moved By: Michael Strebchuk

That the Board appoints Trustee Tammy Henkel as High Prairie School Division's TEBA representative.

Carried

10. Reports

10.1 Superintendent's Report

Resolution BDO20260616.1008

Moved By: Tammy Henkel

To receive the Superintendent's Report as information.

Carried

10.2 Finance Reports

Director of Finance, Darla Stout presented the financial information during the Closed Session in adherence of the Protection of Privacy Act (POPA).

Resolution BDO20260616.1009

Moved By: Lynn Skrepnek

To approve the Accounts Payable, Accounts Receivable, Cheque/EFT Register, School Generated Funds, VISA and Budget reports as presented in the Closed session.

Carried

10.3 Trustee Reports

Chair, Joy McGregor spoke on a PSBA presentation on AI and its impact on the job forecast for our students. Fireside chat with Former Prime Minister Stephen Harper was well received.

10.4 Standing Committee Reports

11. Information

11.1 Correspondence

The following correspondence was received as information:

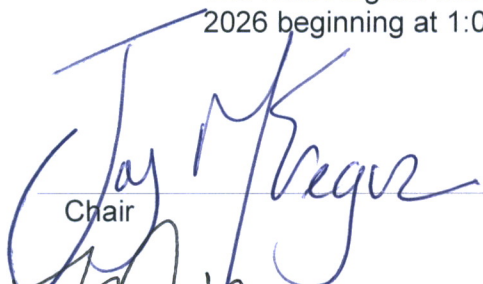
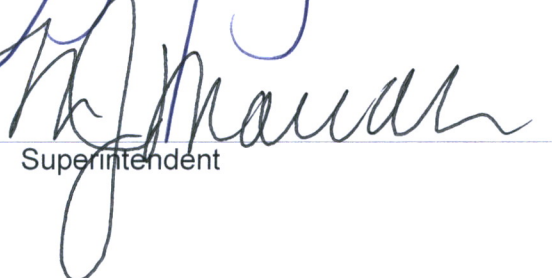
11.1.1 Letter to Minister Nicolaides

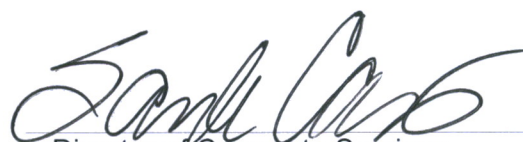
11.1.2 Email from Alberta Education

11.1.3 PSBAA - The Advocate

11.2 Next Regular Board Meeting

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees is scheduled for August 18, 2026 beginning at 1:00 p.m. with the Closed session.


Chair

Superintendent


Director of Corporate Services