

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees **MINUTES**

Tuesday, March 18, 2025 2:00 PM **HPSD Learning Support Centre - High Prairie, AB**

Present:

Joy McGregor, Chair

Tammy Henkel, Vice-Chair

Karin Scholl, Trustee Adrian Wong, Trustee Cory Hughes, Trustee Lynn Skrepnek, Trustee Lorrie Shelp, Trustee

Staff Present:

Murray Marran, Superintendent

Pam Heckbert, Assistant Superintendent

Darla Stout, Director of Finance

Sandra Cairns, Director of Business and Recording Secretary

Kyle Nichols, Director of Communications Richa Sherman-Peters, Executive Assistant

Division Vision Statement & Values and Board Priorities 1.

2. Call to Order

The Closed Session of the agenda took place at 1:05 p.m. and ended at 1:57 p.m. prior to the Call to Order of the Open session. There was one addition to the Closed session.

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

The YouTube live stream began at 2:05 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 2:06 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:

Q & A - 8.4 Bridge Funding for Transportation

Q & A - 8.5 ASCA Resolutions

Correspondence - 11.1.9 Letter to Minister Nicolaides from AMA Pediatrics regarding **PUF**

Resolution BDO20250318.1001

Moved By: Karin Scholl

THAT the agenda be accepted as amended.

Carried

5. **Adoption of Previous Minutes**

Resolution BDO20250318.1002

Moved By: Cory Hughes

THAT the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees held February 18,

2025, be adopted as presented.

arried

6. Delegations / Presentations

6.1 Presentation: HPSD Coordinator of Numeracy

Hillary Hinds presented the new numeracy framework for High Prairie School Division.

Hillary Hinds entered at 2:06 p.m.

The presentation began at 2:10 p.m. and ended at 2:38 p.m.

Hillary Hinds exited at 2:38pm.

6.2 Presentation: HPSD Career Coach Lead

Monica Edwards presented an update on current Career Coaching progress.

Monica Edwards entered at 2:06 p.m.

The presentation began at 2:39 p.m.

Darla Stout exited at 3:01 p.m.

Darla Stout entered at 3:04 p.m.

Monica Edwards concluded her presentation at 3:11 p.m. and exited.

7. Points to Celebrate

Director of Communications, Kyle Nichols, presented Points to Celebrate.

Kinuso school - Italian Nights supper

School registration is now open

Bison Harvest

Summer school available for students

Alberta Annual Education Survey closes Friday March 21, 2025

March 29 - EW Pratt Round Dance.

Lynn Skrepnek exited at 3:16 p.m. and returned 3:18 p.m.

8. Trustee/Administration Question/Answer Period

8.1 Playschool busing

Trustee Scholl posed the question of whether it would be possible to allow playschool students to be bused.

This will be assigned to the Director of Transportation to assess.

Sandra Cairns exited at 3:19 p.m., and returned at 3:20 p.m.

8.2 CASA Classroom

CASA classroom in EG Wahlstrom is to open in September. Preparations are underway. The agreement is for 3-year pilot project. HPSD provides teacher and students transportation to and from, and all other supports are provided by CASA.

8.3 AB Education Budget

8.4 Bridge funding for Transportation

Superintendent Marran brought forth the question of whether to apply for the bridge funding and/or to continue busing only the students that fall within the busing ranges.

Sandra Cairns exited at 3:39 p.m. and returned at 3:43 p.m.

Resolution BDO20250318.1003

Moved By: Tammy Henkel

THAT Board approved to apply for bridge funding for transportation for 2025-2026 school year.

Defeated

8.5 2025 ASCA Resolutions

Kyle Nichols exited at 3:47 p.m. and returned at 3:48 p.m. Joy McGregor exited at 3:58 p.m. and returned at 3:59 p.m. The board discussed their recommendations regarding resolutions.

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9. Action Items

9.1 School Calendar

Decisions were made as per calendar survey sent to stakeholders. Parents and stakeholders will be surveyed on holiday placement (spring and fall break, PD days, etc.) moving forward.

Resolution BDO20250318.1004

Moved By: Adrian Wong

THAT Board reviewed and approved of proposed comprehensive school calendar for the school year of 2025-2026 and reviewed 2026-2027 and 2027-2028.

Carried

9.2 Board Advocacy Resolutions

Board Advocacy Resolutions presented for review and approval.

Resolution BDO20250318.1005

Moved By: Karin Scholl

THAT Board has reviewed and approved new Advocacy Resolutions.

Carried

9.3 Sponsorship request for High Prairie Traditional Pow Wow

Resolution BDO20250318.1006

Moved By: Lorrie Shelp

THAT Board reviewed and approved maintaining funding at previous level.

Carried

10. Reports

10.1 Superintendent's Report

Resolution BDO20250318.1007

Moved By: Karin Scholl

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 to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy (FOIPP) Act.

Resolution BDO20250318.1008

Moved By: Karin Scholl

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. Reports

10.3 Trustee Reports

Trustee Reports were received as information.

10.3.1 Rural Education Conference

Trustee McGregor presented an update from the Rural Education

Conference for information.

10.4 Standing Committee Reports

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11. Information

11.1 Correspondence

The following correspondence was received as information:

- 11.1.1 Letter to Minister Dreeshen
- 11.1.2 Letter to Minister Nicolaides
- 11.1.3 Letter to Big Lakes Childcare Society
- 11.1.4 Letter to Golden Age Club
- 11.1.5 Letter to Minister Nicolaides from Grande Prairie Public Schools
- 11.1.6 Letter to Minister Nicolaides from Wolf Creek Public Schools
- 11.1.7 Letter from ATA
- 11.1.8 PSBAA The Advocate
- 11.1.9 Letter to Minister Nicolaides from AMA Section of Pediatrics

11.2 Next Regular Board Meeting

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees is scheduled for April 15, 2025, beginning at 1:00 p.m. with the Closed session.

The YouTube live stream ended at 4:49 p.m.

12. Adjournment

Resolution BDO20250318.1009

Moved By: Tammy Henkel

THAT there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:49 p.m.

Carried

Superintendent