

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

**Tuesday, January 20, 2026
2:00 PM**

HPSD Learning Support Centre - High Prairie, AB

Present: Joy McGregor, Chair
Karin Scholl, Vice-Chair
Tammy Henkel, Trustee
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
Kyle Nichols, Director of Communications
Richa Sherman-Peters, Executive Assistant

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

The Closed Session of the agenda took place at 1:03 p.m. and ended at 1:57 p.m. prior to the Call to Order of the Open session. There were 3 additions to the Closed 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 2:07 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 2:07 p.m.

- 3. Opening Remarks**

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

- 4. Adoption of Agenda**

Resolution BDO20260120.1001

Moved By: Steven Adams

That the agenda be accepted as *presented*.

Carried

- 5. Adoption of Previous Minutes**

Resolution BDO20260120.1002

Moved By: Karin Scholl

That the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees held December 16, 2025, be adopted as presented.

Carried

6. Delegations / Presentations

6.1 Micro Credential Update

Brennan McDonald, District Principal of Planning and Special Projects provided an update on the Vertical Farm and the collaborations with post-secondary institutions and industry for micro credentials.

Brennan McDonald exited at 2:24 p.m.

6.2 Ward 2 Bus Route Analysis

Sheldon Bossert, Director of Transportation presented a detailed analysis of Ward 2 Bus routes.

7. Trustee/Administration Question/Answer Period

7.1 Transportation

7.1.1 Routes - Big Meadow

Trustee Shelp exited at 3:11 p.m. and returned at 3:15 p.m.

7.1.2 Fee for Service Riders

The directive was given to further research fee for service demand and capabilities.

Sheldon Bossert exited at 4:13 p.m.

7.2 Calendar Survey Results

Resolution BDO20260120.1003

Moved By: Michael Strebchuk

To approve start and end dates for staff and students as presented in the proposed 2026-2027 draft calendar.

7.3 Advocacy Document (DRAFT)

Meeting recessed at 4:27 p.m. and reconvened at 4:35 p.m.

Livestream was paused at 4:27 p.m. and resumed at 4:35 p.m.

Chair Joy McGregor exited the meeting at 4:27 p.m., Vice Chair Karin Scholl acted as Chair for the duration of the meeting.

8. Points to Celebrate

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

9. Action Items

10. Reports

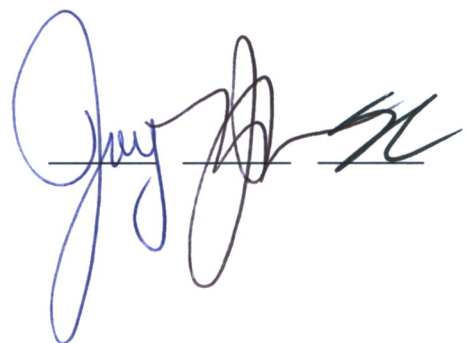
10.1 Superintendent's Report

Resolution BDO20260120.1004

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 (POP) Act.

Resolution BDO20260120.1005

Moved By: Steven Adams

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

Trustee Strebchuk gave a verbal report on his attendance at Ward 2 student consultations.

10.4 Standing Committee Reports

11. Information

11.1 Correspondence

The following correspondence was received as information:

11.1.1 Letter to Minister Nicolaidis from Grande Yellowhead Public School Division

11.1.2 Letter to Minister Nicolaidis from Grande Yellowhead Public School Division

11.1.3 Letter to MD of Greenview from Grande Yellowhead Public School Division

11.1.4 Letter from Big Lakes Community Volleyball

Resolution BDO20260120.1006

Moved By: Tammy Henkel

To approve waiving facility rental fees for Big Lakes Community Volleyball for a maximum of 4 hours per week for the remainder of the 2025-2026 school year.

Defeated

Resolution BDO20261020.1007

Moved By: Michael Strebchuk

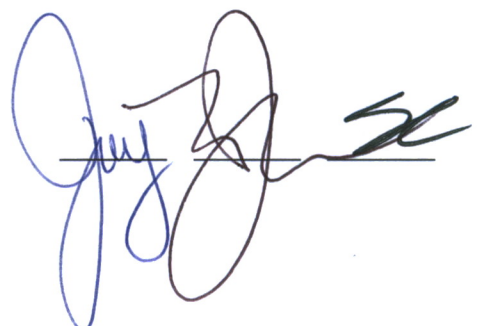
To approve reducing fees for facility rental fees for Big Lakes Community Volleyball to \$12.50 per hour for a maximum of 4 hours per week for the remainder of the 2025-2026 school year.

Defeated

11.1.5 Canada-Alberta National School Food Program Agreement – 2024 to 2027 Year 2 and Year 3 Action Plan Update

11.2 Next Regular Board Meeting

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees is scheduled for February 17, 2025 beginning at 1:00 p.m. with the Closed session.



12. Adjournment

The YouTube live stream ended at 5:13 p.m.

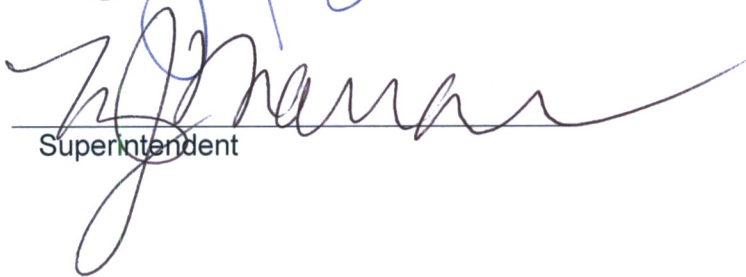
Resolution BDO20260120.1008

Moved By: Michael Strebchuk

That there being no further business, the meeting adjourn at 5:13 p.m.


Chair


Director of Corporate Services


Superintendent