

MINUTES OF THE NORTHLAND SCHOOL DIVISION NO. 61
BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING ON APRIL 20, 2017
AT ELIZABETH SCHOOL IN ELIZABETH METIS SETTLEMENT,
AB.

MEMBERSHIP		
✓	Lois Byers	• Official Trustee
x	Alice Fontaine	• Advisory Committee Member – Janvier
✓	Claris Voyageur	• Advisory Committee Member – ADCS
x	David Czibere	• Advisory Committee Member – Anzac
x	Janet McDonald	• Advisory Committee Member – Fort McKay
✓	Joan Daniels	• Advisory Committee Member – J.F. Dion
✓	Louis Cardinal	• Advisory Committee Member – Peerless Lake
✓	Robin Guild	• Advisory Committee Member – Wabasca
x	Margaret Quintal	• Advisory Committee Member – Conklin
✓	Shelley Bartman	• Advisory Committee Member – Elizabeth
✓	Gord Atkinson	• Superintendent of Schools
✓	Lorraine Cardinal-Roy	• Director of First Nation, Métis & Inuit Learner Success
x	Don Tessier	• Associate Superintendent
✓	Trudy Rasmuson	• Secretary-Treasurer
x	Wes Oginski	• Director of Human Resources
✓	Stephanie Sutherland	• Supervisor of Student Services
✓	Curtis Walty	• Communications Coordinator
✓	Krystal Potts	• Executive Assistant
✓	Melanie Mantai	• Executive Secretary – Finance
GUESTS		
✓	Jason Winters	• IT Department
✓	Maureen Chernipeski	• Pedagogical Supervisor

CALL TO ORDER		Lois Byers, Official Trustee called the meeting to order at 11:32 a.m.
IN CAMERA SESSION	24295/17	Lois Byers, Official Trustee moved that the meeting go in camera at 11:32 a.m.
		CARRIED
REGULAR SESSION	24296/17	Lois Byers, Official Trustee moved that the meeting revert to regular session at 12:09 p.m.
		CARRIED
		Labour was discussed while in camera.
RECESS		The meeting recessed at 12:09 p.m. The meeting reconvened at 12:54 p.m.
OPENING PRAYER		Joan Daniels, Advisory Committee Member gave the opening prayer.
ADOPT AGENDA	24297/17	Lois Byers, Official Trustee moved that the Board of Trustees adopt the agenda as presented.
		CARRIED
		Shelley Bartman, Advisory Committee member joined the meeting at 1:05 pm.
INTRODUCTIONS		Lois Byers, Official Trustee welcomed guests and introductions were made, the group was informed that the meeting would be broadcast live.

MINUTES
FEBRUARY 23,
2017

24298/17 Lois Byers, Official Trustee moved that the Board of Trustees approve the February 23, 2017 Regular Board Meeting minutes as presented.

Lois Byers, Official Trustee directs administration to ensure the current Corporate Board Motions are worded correctly and align with the *School Act*.

CARRIED

MINUTES
MARCH 15, 2017

24299/17 Lois Byers, Official Trustee moved that the Board of Trustees approve the March 15, 2017 Special Board Meeting minutes as presented.

Lois Byers, Official Trustee directs administration to ensure that Kateri School students are attending upcoming Land Based Learning Camps and report back to Louis Cardinal, Peerless Lake LSBC Chair.

CARRIED

MINUTES APRIL
13, 2017

24300/17 Lois Byers, Official Trustee moved that the Board of Trustees approve the April 13, 2017 Special Board Meeting minutes as presented.

CARRIED

OLD BUSINESS –
BOARD ACTION
ITEMS

Executive staff provided verbal updates to the Board on the directives assigned from previous Board meetings.

24301/17 Lois Byers, Official Trustee moved that the Board of Trustees receive as information the action taken by administration with respect to directives given by the Board.

CARRIED

STUDENT
SERVICES
REPORT

Stephanie Sutherland, Supervisor of Student Services, presented her Report.

24302/17 Lois Byers, Official Trustee moved that the Board of Trustees receive as information the Student Services Report as presented and attached and thanked Sutherland for the exceptional work she does for the students of Northland.

CARRIED

DELEGATION –
PRESENTATION:
OUR SCHOOL
DATA

Maureen Chernipeski, Pedagogical Supervisor, presented highlights from 'Our School Data' to the Board. A plan will be drafted on how best to support students in light of the data that was shared. The group discussed how important it is for principals to share these results with their local LSBC members and their respective communities.

RECESS

The meeting recessed at 2:18 p.m.
Maureen Chernipeski, Pedagogical Supervisor, left the meeting.
The meeting was called back to order at 2:28 pm.

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NOMINATION

Louis Cardinal, Advisory Committee Member described the difference that teacher Chelsea Cattroll has made at Peerless Lake School. Cardinal said ‘you don’t know the difference one person can make in a school’, and added, ‘Peerless Lake has been blessed by having this person!’ Byers added, ‘it all started with how she was welcomed to the community, first with a great welcome sign and then Cardinal took her around and introduced her to the community members so she felt comfortable in the community’.

24303/17 Lois Byers, Official Trustee moved that the Board of Trustees approve Chelsea Cattroll, teacher at Peerless Lake School be nominated for the 2017 Edwin Parr Teacher Award.

CARRIED

SECOND
QUARTER
FINANCE
REPORT

Trudy Rasmuson, Secretary-Treasurer presented the second quarter finance report for the division.

24304/17 Lois Byers, Official Trustee moved that the Board of Trustees receive as information, the Second Quarter Finance Report as presented and attached

CARRIED

PRELIMINARY
2017-2018
BUDGET

Due to a flux in dollars, the budget was not ready for handout. Administration is working on the missing pieces and did not want to put out a budget that was incorrect.

POLICY READING
TIMELINE

24305/17 Lois Byers, Official Trustee moved that the Board of Trustees receive as information the Policy Reading Timeline, as attached.

CARRIED

POLICY 14 –
HEARINGS ON
TEACHER
MATTERS

24306/17 Lois Byers, Official Trustee moved that the Board of Trustees approve third and final reading of Policy 14, Hearings on Teacher Matters, as attached.

CARRIED

POLICY 15 –
SCHOOL CLOSURE

24307/17 Lois Byers, Official Trustee moved that the Board of Trustees approve third and final reading of Policy 15, School Closure, as attached.

CARRIED

POLICY 18 –
ALTERNATIVE
PROGRAMS

24308/17 Lois Byers, Official Trustee moved that the Board of Trustees approve third and final reading of Policy 18, Alternative Programs, as attached.

CARRIED

POLICY 8 – BOARD COMMITTEES 24309/17 Lois Byers, Official Trustee moved that the Board of Trustees approve second reading of Policy 8, Board Committees, as attached.

CARRIED

POLICY 9 – BOARD REPRESENTATIVES 24310/17 Lois Byers, Official Trustee moved that the Board of Trustees approve second reading of Policy 9, Board Representatives, as attached.

CARRIED

POLICY 10 – POLICY MAKING 24311/17 Lois Byers, Official Trustee moved that the Board of Trustees approve second reading of Policy 10, Policy Making, as attached.

NOT/CARRIED

POLICY 11 – BOARD DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY 24312/17 Lois Byers, Official Trustee identified the changes to the Policy 11, Board Delegation of Authority.

Lois Byers, Official Trustee moved that the Board of Trustees approve first reading of Policy 11, Board Delegation of Authority, as attached and direct administration to send out the information to LSBC chairs and principals for feedback.

CARRIED

POLICY 17 – STUDENT TRANSPORTATION SERVICES 24313/17 Lois Byers, Official Trustee identified reasons behind drafting a transportation policy. The group discussed their concerns with school of choice bussing.

Lois Byers, Official Trustee moved that the Board of Trustees approve first reading of Policy 17, Student Transportation Services, as attached and amended as follows: Clause 3: add an s to student; and direct administration to send out the information to LSBC chairs and principals for feedback; and direct administration to seek stakeholders thoughts on School of Choice.

CARRIED

POLICY 20 – TEACHER HOUSING 24314/17 Lois Byers, Official Trustee identified the reasons behind drafting a housing policy. Atkinson discussed the potential partnership with Wood Buffalo Housing & Development Corporation which would take over most of the east side housing.

Lois Byers, Official Trustee moved that the Board of Trustees approve first reading of Policy 20, Teacher Housing, as attached and direct administration to send out the information to LSBC chairs and principals for feedback.

CARRIED

PROCEDURE 320
(306) –
ALTERNATE
ATTENDANCE
PLACEMENTS

Lois Byers, Official Trustee reviewed the boarding funding rules from Alberta Education. The current funding manual does not allow school divisions to pay parents but will pay other family members or strangers boarding their students. Byers suggested that this item may come to ASBA as a resolution and suggested that Northland could possibly bring it forward.

24315/17 Lois Byers, Official Trustee moved that the Board of Trustees receive as information and implementation, the changes to Procedure 320 (306), Alternate Placements, which will replace existing Procedure 320, Financial Support for Education Placement Outside the Division, as attached.

CARRIED

LSBC MEETING
MINUTES
RECEIVED

24316/17 Lois Byers, Official Trustee moved that the Board of Trustees receive the Local School Board Committee meeting minutes as information, as listed below:

LSBC NAME	DATE OF MEETING
Athabasca Delta	Feb 6, 2017 Feb 20, 2017
Conklin	Mar 1, 2017
Desmarais	Jan 4, 2017 Feb 7, 2017
Elizabeth	Mar 1, 2017
Fort McKay	Feb 27, 2017 Apr 4, 2017
Gift Lake	Jan 31, 2017
J.F. Dion	Feb 13, 2017
Janvier	Mar 22, 2017 Apr 11, 2017
Keg River	Feb 7, 2017
Paddle Prairie	Feb 8, 2017 Apr 3, 2017
Wabasca	Feb 7, 2017

CARRIED

ADMINISTRATIVE
ACTION –
CURRENT LSBC
MEETING
MINUTES
RECEIVED

24317/17 Lois Byers, Official Trustee moved that the Board of Trustees approve of the action taken by Administration with respect to Local School Board Committee minutes received, as listed below:

LSBC NAME	DATE OF MEETING	Motion No.	Action Taken
Athabasca	Feb 6, 2017		As Presented
Delta	Feb 20, 2017		As Presented
Conklin	Mar 1, 2017		As Presented
Desmarais	Jan 4, 2017 Feb 7, 2017		As Presented As Presented
Elizabeth	Mar 1, 2017		As Presented
Fort McKay	Feb 27, 2017 Apr 4, 2017		As Presented As Presented
Gift Lake	Jan 31, 2017		As Presented
J.F. Dion	Feb 13, 2017		As Presented
Janvier	Mar 22, 2017 Apr 11, 2017		As Presented As Presented
Keg River	Feb 7, 2017		As Presented
Paddle Prairie	Feb 8, 2017 Apr 3, 2017		As Presented
Wabasca	Feb 7, 2017		As Presented

CARRIED

SUPERINTENDENT'S
REPORT

Superintendent Atkinson presented his report to the Board as information.

24318/17 Lois Byers, Official Trustee moved that the Board of Trustees accept as information the Superintendent's Report as presented and attached.

CARRIED

OFFICIAL
TRUSTEE'S
REPORT

Official Trustee Byers presented her report to the Board as information. Byers discussed Bill 6, and the importance of Northland to remain whole and go forward. Northland staff is committed to the needs of its students. Byers asked that the LSBC members and all staff please let others know that Northland was not involved in crafting Bill 6, this Bill came from the Minister. Byers discussed that not all areas are opposed to the proposed system. Byers has heard both support for the changes and non-support for the changes. This was the reason for giving people the opportunity to give feedback in a safe way.

24319/17 Lois Byers, Official Trustee moved that the Board of Trustees accept as information the Chairman's Report as presented and attached.

CARRIED

COMMITTEE
REPORTS –
WABASCA
MODERNIZATION
UPDATE

Trudy Rasmuson, Secretary-Treasurer provided an update on the Wabasca Modernization project, as information. Superintendent Atkinson discussed the solar panel project that is being developed, which Secretary-Treasurer Rasmuson and Randy Chernipeski, CTS School/Industry Partnership Administrator will be working on.

REPORTS FOR
INFORMATION

24320/17 Lois Byers, Official Trustee moved that the Board of Trustees receive the following Reports for Information items:

- Wabasca Modernization – Partnership Letters
- Rent Reviews
- Apple Schools Evaluation Report

CARRIED

ADJOURN

The meeting was declared adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

CLOSING PRAYER

Joan Daniels, Advisory Committee Member gave the closing prayer.

Lois Byers, Official Trustee

Trudy Rasmuson, Secretary-Treasurer

Recording Secretary: Melanie Mantai, Executive Secretary Finance