

LAKEHEAD DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

REGULAR BOARD MEETING NO. 5

January 22, 2013

MEMBERS PRESENT

TRUSTEES PRESENT:

Deborah Massaro (Chair)	Lori Lukinuk
Karen Wilson (Vice Chair)	Ron Oikonen
Marg Arnone	Jack Playford
Pat Johansen	George Saarinen
	Rheanna Kendrick (Student Trustee)

SENIOR ADMINISTRATION:

Catherine Siemieniuk, Director of Education
Colleen Kappel, Superintendent of Education
Ian MacRae, Superintendent of Education
Sherri-Lynne Pharand, Superintendent of Education

FEDERATION/UNION REPRESENTATIVES:

Jeff Upton, Lakehead OPC
Eric Fredrickson, Lakehead Principals/Vice Principals
Donica LeBlanc, Lakehead Principals/Vice Principals

PUBLIC SESSION:

Approval of Agenda

13.035 Moved by Trustee Saarinen Seconded by Trustee Arnone

"THAT the Agenda for Regular Board Meeting No. 5, January 22, 2013 be approved."

CARRIED

Resolve Into Committee of the Whole – Closed Session

13.036 Moved by Trustee Lukinuk Seconded by Trustee Arnone

"THAT we resolve into Committee of the Whole – Closed Session with Trustee Massaro in the Chair to consider the following:

- *Confirmation of Committee of the Whole – Closed Session Minutes*
 - *Regular Board Meeting No. 3*
 - *December 18, 2012*
 - *Confirmation of Committee of the Whole – Closed Session Minutes*
 - *Board Meeting No. 4 (Special)*
 - *January 14, 2013*
- *Negotiations*

and that this meeting shall not be open to the public pursuant to Section 207 (2) of the Education Act as amended."

CARRIED

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – CLOSED SESSION:

Committee of the Whole – Closed Session items were dealt with in their entirety.

PUBLIC SESSION:

Report of Committee of the Whole – Closed Session

13.040 Moved by Trustee Johansen Seconded by Trustee Arnone

“THAT the Report of the Regular Board – Committee of the Whole – Closed Session be adopted with the following recommendations therein:

‘THAT Lakehead District School Board approve the Committee of the Whole – Closed Session Minutes of Regular Board Meeting No. 3, December 18, 2012.’

‘THAT Lakehead District School Board approve the Committee of the Whole – Closed Session Minutes of Board Meeting No. 4 (Special), January 14, 2013.’

‘THAT The Memorandum of Settlement, as negotiated between the Lakehead District School Board and the Canadian Union of Public Employees, Local 2486 Bargaining Unit, effective September 1, 2012 to August 31, 2014, be ratified by the Board, and that the Officers of the Board be authorized to sign the Agreement on behalf of the Board and affix the corporate seal thereto.’”

CARRIED

Celebrating Student Achievement – McKellar Park Central Public School

Sherri-Lynne Pharand, Superintendent of Education, introduced Lori Ruberto, Principal of McKellar Park Central Public School. Ms. Ruberto introduced Eric Fredrickson, Vice Principal of McKellar Park Central Public School, who presented information regarding *Building Success by Building Leaders*. Successes identified included: strengths based initiatives, student Ambassadors, Future Aces, bullying awareness, and assembly presentations. All Trustees’ questions were addressed.

Confirmation of Minutes

13.041 Moved by Trustee Johansen Seconded by Trustee Saarinen

“THAT Lakehead District School Board approve the Minutes of Regular Board Meeting No. 3, December 18, 2012.”

CARRIED

Confirmation of Minutes

13.042 Moved by Trustee Wilson Seconded by Trustee Arnone

“THAT Lakehead District School Board approve the Minutes of Board Meeting No. 4 (Special), January 14, 2013.”

CARRIED

Business Arising from the Minutes

Parliamentary Inquiry

Regarding item 5 of the Regular Board Meeting No. 3 minutes, Trustee Lukinuk requested clarification pertaining to her request for an amendment. Trustee Lukinuk stated that when she requested that the minutes of the November 27 Regular Board Meeting No. 15 be amended, she was not allowed to clarify the reasoning for the amendment. Trustee

Lukinuk advised she would address this matter under information and inquiries.

Chair Massaro stated that, in her opinion, she believed the matter had been dealt with. Chair Massaro noted that she made a decision on this matter and it will stand. Trustee Lukinuk had the opportunity to appeal the decision of the Chair and did not.

Trustee Lukinuk stated that the Chair should learn about the amendment process.

Chair Massaro stated that Trustee Lukinuk was out of order.

The Chair stated that she and the Director would meet with Trustee Lukinuk, if Trustee Lukinuk chooses, to discuss the inquiry further.

MATTERS NOT REQUIRING A DECISION:

Ontario Public School Boards' Association (OPSBA) Report

Trustee Saarinen, Ontario Public School Boards' Association Director and voting delegate, informed the Board that the next OPSBA Board of Directors meeting will take place on February 2. Trustees were reminded that Trustee Playford, Alternate Ontario Public School Boards' Association Director and voting delegate, will attend the February 2 meeting.

Student Trustee Report

Rheanna Kendrick, Student Trustee, provided a handout as her report. Items addressed included: fundraising, Ontario Public Boards' Association Public Education Symposium (PES), Ontario Student Trustees' Association (OSTA-AECO) conference, and WE Stand Up Thunder Bay. Trustee Saarinen recognized Student Trustee Kendrick and all Lakehead District School Board students for their fundraising efforts.

First Nations, Métis, Inuit Audit (023-13)

Sherri-Lynne Pharand, Superintendent of Education, presented information regarding the First Nations, Métis, Inuit Audit. Further information will be left in the Trustees' Lounge for perusal. All Trustees' questions were addressed.

Aboriginal Education (022-13)

Sherri-Lynne Pharand, Superintendent of Education, introduced Lynnita Jo Guillet, Aboriginal Education Resource Teacher, Amy Farrell-Morneau, Aboriginal Community Liaison Officer, and Nicole Walter Rowan, Program Coordinator, who presented the report. Initiatives included: student achievement, mentorships, resources and supports, partnerships, professional development, and next steps. All Trustees' questions were addressed.

Aboriginal Education Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes – November 16, 2012

Sherri-Lynne Pharand, Superintendent of Education, presented the November 16, 2012 minutes for information.

Parent Involvement Committee Meeting Minutes – November 19, 2012

Catherine Siemieniuk, Director of Education, presented the November 19, 2012 meeting minutes for information.

MATTERS FOR DECISION:Recommendation from the Standing Committee (016-13)Kindergarten (013-13)

Trustee Wilson requested information regarding the length of school bus rides for rural Kindergarten students. Catherine Siemieniuk, Director of Education, responded that currently there are 11 rural Kindergarten students who have a 60 to 70 minute school bus ride.

Trustee Lukinuk requested information regarding the 2013-2014 full time Kindergarten school sites. Catherine Siemieniuk, Director of Education, responded that information will come to the Board at a later date.

Trustee Playford requested information pertaining to funding for 2013-2014 full time Kindergarten. Catherine Siemieniuk, Director of Education, responded that for the 2013-2014 school year, the Board will use operational funds and, if needed, access reserve funds.

13.043 Moved by Trustee Wilson Seconded by Trustee Saarinen

“THAT the Lakehead District School Board expand full time Kindergarten to all school sites for the 2013-2014 school year.”

CARRIED

Age-Friendly Thunder Bay (021-13)

13.044 Moved by Trustee Wilson Seconded by Trustee Playford

“THAT Lakehead District School Board:

1. *Endorse the Thunder Bay Senior Charter.*
2. *Appoint Trustee Saarinen to the Age-Friendly Thunder Bay Committee.”*

CARRIED

Policy Review – 8070 Safe Schools – System Expectations and 8071 Bullying Prevention and Intervention (020-13)

13.045 Moved by Trustee Playford Seconded by Trustee Arnone

“THAT Lakehead District School Board:

1. *Apply the use of Policy Development and Review policy, Section 6 which reads as follows:*

“Notwithstanding the provisions of this policy, where circumstances arise which, in the opinion of the Board require immediate action in the best interest of the overall management of the school system, the Board, may, with the support of the majority of the Trustees, alter the details of the policy.”
2. *Approve 8070 Safe Schools – System Expectations policy, Appendix A to Report No. 020-13.*
3. *Approve 8071 Bullying Prevention and Intervention policy, Appendix C to Report No. 020-13.”*

CARRIED

Extend Meeting Time

13.046 Moved by Trustee Arnone Seconded by Trustee Saarinen

“THAT this meeting be extended to 10:30 p.m.”

CARRIED

Revisions to Multi-Year Strategic Plan 2011 – 2014 (019-13)

13.047 Moved by Trustee Arnone Seconded by Trustee Johansen

“THAT Lakehead District School Board approve the revised Strategic Plan as outlined in Appendix A of Report No. 019-13.”

CARRIED

Information and Inquiries

1. Trustee Playford stated that the ratification of the Memorandum of Settlement as negotiated between the Lakehead District School Board and the Canadian Union of Public Employees, Local 2486 addressed local issues only. He noted that he wanted this clear for the public that the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is between union groups and the Ministry of Education.
2. Trustee Lukinuk requested an update regarding the March 27, 2012 Healthy Eating Makes the Grade delegation to the Board. Sherri-Lynne Pharand, Superintendent of Education, responded that Lakehead District School Board struck a Healthy Eating Makes the Grade Committee in the Fall comprised of staff and community representatives. Due to a disruption in the Fall and changes in personnel the committee has met for its inaugural meeting to review a mandate and put together a resource for creating school gardens. The next meeting is scheduled for next week.
3. Trustee Playford inquired how Lakehead District School Board will inform the community that full time Kindergarten is being expanded to all school sites for the 2013-2014 school year. Catherine Siemieniuk, Director of Education, responded that there will be information on the Lakehead Public Schools website, various advertisements, media coverage, and tweets. In addition, February 4 to 8 is Kindergarten registration week at Lakehead Public Schools.
4. Trustee Lukinuk expressed a concern from a constituent that there are a number of Lakehead District School Board students that had not been placed in our board and lodging Territorial Student Program (TSP). Catherine Siemieniuk, Director of Education, responded that at the time the question was asked there was only one TSP board and lodging issue that had been drawn to her attention and it has been dealt with. All TSP students requiring assistance to find board and lodging have received support through Lakehead District School Board’s TSP Coordinator and Senior Administration. There are no outstanding board and lodging issues.

5. Trustee Saarinen requested information regarding funding for the Territorial Student Program (TSP). Catherine Siemieniuk, Director of Education, noted that policies and procedures were created to assist in management and funding of the program. A TSP report will come to the Board on February 26 with further information addressing the inquiry.

Adjournment

13.048

Moved by Trustee Johansen

Seconded by Trustee Saarinen

“THAT we do now adjourn at 10:00 p.m.”

CARRIED

CONFIRMED BY THE BOARD – February 26, 2013

Chair

Secretary