

# LAKEHEAD DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

## REGULAR BOARD MEETING NO. 7

March 26, 2013

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### MEMBERS PRESENT

#### TRUSTEES PRESENT:

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

#### TRUSTEES ABSENT, WITH REGRET:

Lori Lukinuk  
Ron Oikonen

#### SENIOR ADMINISTRATION:

Catherine Siemieniuk, Director of Education  
Colleen Kappel, Superintendent of Education  
Sherri-Lynne Pharand, Superintendent of Education  
David Wright, Superintendent of Business

#### FEDERATION/UNION REPRESENTATIVES:

Jeff Upton, Lakehead OPC  
Linda Karlstedt, Lakehead Principals/Vice Principals  
Vicki Shannon, Lakehead Principals/Vice Principals

#### PUBLIC SESSION:

##### Approval of Agenda

13.061 Moved by Trustee Wilson Seconded by Trustee Arnone

*“THAT the Agenda for Regular Board Meeting No. 7, March 26, 2013 be approved.”*

CARRIED

##### Resolve Into Committee of the Whole – Closed Session

13.062 Moved by Trustee Saarinen Seconded by Trustee Playford

*“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. 6*
  - *February 26, 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

13.065 Moved by Trustee Saarinen Seconded by Trustee Johansen

*“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. 6, February, 26, 2013.’”*

CARRIED

Connected by Character at Five Mile Public School

Colleen Kappel, Superintendent of Education, introduced Angelina Tassone-Vogrig, Principal of Five Mile Public School. Ms. Tassone-Vogrig introduced Carly, Grade 7 student, who presented information regarding *Connected by Character at Five Mile Public School*. Trustees enjoyed a performance by Five Mile Harmony. All Trustees’ questions were addressed.

Confirmation of Minutes

13.066 Moved by Trustee Wilson Seconded by Trustee Johansen

*“THAT Lakehead District School Board approve the Minutes of Regular Board Meeting No. 6, February 26, 2013.”*

CARRIED

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 meetings will take place on April 26 and 27.

Student Trustee Report

Rheanna Kendrick, Student Trustee, provided a handout as her report. Items addressed included: secondary school activities, 2013-2014 Student Trustee selection process, and Student Council elections. All Trustees’ questions were addressed.

Bus Transportation Final Contracts for 2012-2013 (034-13)

David Wright, Superintendent of Business, introduced Rod Bessel, Manager of Custodial Services & Transportation, and Dave Carroll, Consortia Manager of Student Transportation Services of Thunder Bay, who presented the report. All Trustees’ questions were addressed.

Mental Health Strategy Update (031-13)

Colleen Kappel, Superintendent of Education, introduced Lori Carson, Student Support Leadership Initiative Lead and Chair of the Mental Health Steering Committee, and Dr. Mary-Beth Minthorn-Biggs, Mental Health Leader, who presented information regarding mental health strategies and next steps. All Trustees’ questions were addressed.

Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes – January 16, 2013

Colleen Kappel, Superintendent of Education, presented the January 16, 2013 minutes for information.

Parent Involvement Committee Meeting Minutes – January 14, 2013

Catherine Siemieniuk, Director of Education, presented the January 14, 2013 meeting minutes for information.

MATTERS FOR DECISION:

Policy Review 3100 Accessibility Standards for Customer Service (035-13)

13.067 Moved by Trustee Wilson Seconded by Trustee Playford

*“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 3100 Accessibility Standards policy, Appendix A to Report No. 035-13.”*

CARRIED

School Year Calendar 2013-2014 (036-13)

13.068 Moved by Trustee Johansen Seconded by Trustee Arnone

*“THAT Lakehead District School Board:*

1. *Approve the proposed 2013 - 2014 Elementary School Year Calendar, including the opening and closing dates and professional activity days, as described in Appendix A of Report No. 036-13.*
2. *Approve the proposed 2013 - 2014 Secondary School Year Calendar, including the opening and closing dates, professional activity days and examination days, as described in Appendix B of Report No. 036-13.”*

CARRIED

Approval of Appointment to the Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) (037-13)

13.069 Moved by Trustee Arnone Seconded by Trustee Playford

*“THAT Lakehead District School Board approve the appointment of Jennifer Turcotte as member, to the Special Education Advisory Committee representing North West Community Care Access Centre for the term ending November 30, 2014.”*

CARRIED

Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) Request for Approval of Correspondence (033-13)

13.070 Moved by Trustee Playford Seconded by Trustee Johansen

*“THAT Lakehead District School Board approve the request from the Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) to send correspondence of support to the Minister of Education and the Minister of Community and Social Services as outlined in Report No. 033-13”*

CARRIED

Information and Inquiries

1. Trustee Saarinen, Trustee representative on the Age Friendly Thunder Bay Committee, reported that information from the meetings will be left in the Trustee Lounge for perusal.
2. Trustee Arnone reported that she is participating in United Way Thunder Bay's allocation of monies raised by secondary schools for youth programs throughout the city.
3. Trustee Arnone reported that she attended the 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Seedy Saturday on Sunday held on March 3 in the Baggage Building at the Prince Arthur Landing.
4. Trustee Arnone reported that she and Trustee Lukinuk attended the Healthy Eating Makes the Grade meeting held on March 5 at the Thunder Bay District Health Unit.
5. Trustee Arnone reported that the Special Education Advisory Committee's (SEAC) *Effective Parenting Through Restorative Practice* presentation will be held on April 16 at Superior Collegiate and Vocational Institute.
6. Trustee Johansen reported that she attended the student handbook launch *Aboriginal Presence in our Schools – A Cultural Guide for Staff* held on March 21 at the Lakehead University.
7. Trustee Saarinen noted that Lakehead District School Board has two staff representatives on the Ontario College of Teachers.
8. Trustee Saarinen reported that Sue Doughty-Smith, Education Assistant, was elected as an Ontario Secondary School Teachers' Federation's (OSSTF/FEESO) Executive Officer.
9. Trustee Wilson inquired if an information report regarding mental health climate surveys and changes in the schools will come to the Board. Colleen Kappel, Superintendent of Education, responded that a report will come at a later date.
10. Trustee Saarinen requested information regarding the Gull Bay Public School students who are attending Armstrong Public School. Sherri-Lynne Pharand, Superintendent of Education, responded that the attendance of Gull Bay students at Armstrong Public School has been a positive experience for staff, parents, and students.
11. Trustee Arnone reported that Edgewater Park Public School will hold an Anti- Bullying presentation on March 28.

Adjournment

13.071 Moved by Trustee Saarinen Seconded by Trustee Wilson

*"THAT we do now adjourn at 9:37 p.m."*

CARRIED

CONFIRMED BY THE BOARD – April 23, 2013

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Chair

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Secretary