

LAKEHEAD DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

MINUTES OF ANNUAL BOARD MEETING

Virtual
Microsoft Teams

2020 DEC 01
6:00 p.m.

TRUSTEES PRESENT:

Marg Arnone
Ellen Chambers
Sue Doughty-Smith
Deborah Massaro
Ron Oikonen
George Saarinen

Ryan Sitch
Trudy Tuchenhagen
Scottie Wemigwans
Keira Essex (Indigenous Student Trustee)
Simran Talpade (Student Trustee)

SENIOR ADMINISTRATION:

Ian MacRae, Director of Education
AJ Keene Superintendent of Education
Michelle Probizanski, Superintendent of Education
Kirsti Alaksa, Superintendent of Business

FEDERATION/UNION REPRESENTATIVES:

Angela Lee-Wiwcharyk, Managers

PUBLIC SESSION:

1. **Call to Order**

Ian MacRae, Secretary of the Board, called the meeting to order and reviewed the procedures for the meeting.

2. **Introduction of Scrutineers**

AJ Keene, Superintendent of Education, Michelle Probizanski, Superintendent of Education, and Kirsti Alaksa, Superintendent of Business, were introduced as the scrutineers for the elections.

3. Election of Chair of the Board

Ian MacRae, Secretary of the Board, announced the pre-nominations of Trustee Chambers by Trustee Sitch. Trustee Chambers accepted the nomination. Further nominations were called for from the floor. There were no further nominations.

Moved by Trustee Sitch

Seconded by Trustee Doughty-Smith

“THAT nominations for the Office of Chair of Lakehead District School Board be closed.”

CARRIED

Trustee Chambers was declared chair of the Board by acclamation. Trustee Chambers assumed the chair.

Chair Chambers thanked the Board for the opportunity to continue to serve as chair of the Board.

4. Election of Vice Chair of the Board

Chair Chambers announced the pre-nominations of Trustee Tuchenhagen by Trustee Saarinen and Trustee Sitch by Trustee Doughty-Smith. Trustee Tuchenhagen and Trustee Sitch accepted the nominations. Further nominations were called for from the floor. There were no further nominations.

Moved by Trustee Oikonen

Seconded by Trustee Arnone

“THAT nominations for the Office of Vice Chair of Lakehead District School Board be closed.”

CARRIED

The scrutineer introduced the method of voting and the election began for the Office of Vice Chair of the Board between Trustee Tuchenhagen and Trustee Sitch. Trustee Tuchenhagen was declared the winner.

Trustee Tuchenhagen was declared vice chair of the Board.

Vice Chair Tuchenhagen thanked the Board for the opportunity to continue to serve as vice chair of the Board.

5. Election of a Member and Alternate to the Coordinating Committee

Chair Chambers announced the pre-nominations of Trustee Doughty-Smith by Trustee Sitch and Trustee Arnone by Trustee Tuchenhagen for the position of member of the Coordinating Committee. Chair Chambers asked for nominations from the floor. Trustee Doughty-Smith and Trustee Arnone accepted the nominations. Further nominations were called from the floor. There were no further nominations.

Moved by Trustee Tuchenhagen

Seconded by Trustee Sitch

“THAT nominations for a Member to the Coordinating Committee be closed.”

CARRIED

The scrutineer introduced the method of voting and the election began for the position of member of the Coordinating Committee between Trustee Doughty-Smith and Trustee Arnone. Trustee Arnone was declared the winner.

Trustee Arnone was declared the member of the Coordinating Committee.

Chair Chambers announced that there were no pre-nominations for the position of alternate of the Coordinating Committee. Chair Chambers asked for nominations from the floor. Trustee Doughty-Smith was nominated by Trustee Tuchenhagen. Trustee Doughty-Smith accepted her nomination. Further nominations were called for from the floor. There were no further nominations.

Moved by Trustee Oikonen

Seconded by Trustee Wemigwans

“THAT nominations for an Alternate Member to the Coordinating Committee be closed.”

CARRIED

Trustee Doughty-Smith was acclaimed as alternate member of the Coordinating Committee.

6. Director's Annual Report 2019-2020 (001-21)

Ian MacRae, Director of Education, presented a summary of his report. Director MacRae thanked senior administration, their executive secretaries, Judy Hill, Executive Assistant to the Director, Stephanie Rea, Communications Officer and Cody Angus, Graphics and Information Service Technician, for their work on the Annual Report.

Moved by Trustee Tuchenhagen

Seconded by Trustee Arnone

"THAT Lakehead District School Board receive the Director's Annual Report 2019-2020."

CARRIED

7. Parent Involvement Committee Annual Report (002-21)

Ian MacRae, Director of Education, presented the report. Director MacRae thanked the Parent Involvement Committee members.

Moved by Trustee Saarinen

Seconded by Trustee Tuchenhagen

"THAT Lakehead District School Board receive the Annual Report of the Parent Involvement Committee."

CARRIED

8. Trustee Appointments to Board Committees – 2021 (003-21)

Moved by Trustee Doughty-Smith

Seconded by Trustee Saarinen

"THAT Lakehead District School Board approve the Trustee Appointments to Board Committees – 2021 as set out in Appendix A to Report No. 003-21."

CARRIED

9. Thunder Bay Public Library Board Annual Report (004-21)

Trustee George Saarinen, Lakehead District School Board Appointee to the Thunder Bay Public Library Board, introduced Laura Prinselaar, Community Hub Librarian - Systems, who presented the annual report.

Moved by Trustee Saarinen

Seconded by Trustee Arnone

"THAT Lakehead District School Board receive the Annual Report by Lakehead District School Board Appointee to the Thunder Bay Public Library Board."

CARRIED

10. Aboriginal Education Advisory Committee Annual Report (005-21)

AJ Keene, Superintendent of Education, introduced Anika Guthrie, First Nations, Métis and Inuit Education Coordinator and Co-Chair, Aboriginal Education Advisory Committee, who presented the annual report. All trustees' questions were addressed.

Moved by Trustee Sitch

Seconded by Trustee Doughty-Smith

"THAT Lakehead District School Board receive the Annual Report of the Aboriginal Education Advisory Committee."

CARRIED

11. Special Education Advisory Committee Annual Report (006-21)

Michelle Probizanski, Superintendent of Education, introduced Liz Tod, Chair, Special Education Advisory Committee, who presented the report. All trustees' questions were addressed.

Moved by Trustee Arnone

Seconded by Trustee Doughty-Smith

"THAT Lakehead District School Board receive the Annual Report of the Special Education Advisory Committee."

CARRIED

12. Adjournment

Moved by Trustee Arnone

Seconded by Trustee Tuchenhagen

"THAT we do now adjourn at 7:09 p.m."

CARRIED

CONFIRMED BY THE BOARD – January 26, 2021

Chair

Secretary