

LAKEHEAD DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

**MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING NO. 2**

Virtual  
Via Microsoft Teams

2021 JAN 26  
7:30 p.m.

**TRUSTEES PRESENT:**

Ellen Chambers (Chair)  
Trudy Tuchenhagen (Vice Chair)  
Marg Arnone  
Sue Doughty-Smith  
Deborah Massaro  
Ron Oikonen

George Saarinen  
Scottie Wemigwans  
Keira Essex (Indigenous Student  
Trustee)  
Simran Talpade (Student Trustee)

**TRUSTEE ABSENT, WITH REGRET:**

Ryan Sitch

**SENIOR ADMINISTRATION:**

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

**FEDERATION/UNION REPRESENTATIVES:**

Mark Moorhouse, Lakehead Principals/Vice Principals  
Maggie Fredrickson, Lakehead Principals/Vice Principals  
Angela Lee-Wiwcharyk, Managers

**PUBLIC SESSION:**

1. **Approval of Agenda**

Moved by Trustee Arnone

Seconded by Trustee Doughty-Smith

*“THAT the Agenda for Regular Board Meeting No. 2, January 26, 2021, be approved.”*

**CARRIED**

2. Resolve into Committee of the Whole – Closed Session

Moved by Trustee Wemigwans

Seconded by Trustee Tuchenhagen

*“THAT we resolve into Committee of the Whole – Closed Session with Trustee Chambers in the chair to consider the following:*

- *Confirmation of Committee of the Whole – Closed Session Minutes of:*
  - *Regular Board Meeting No. 25, November 24, 2020; and*
  - *Annual Board Meeting No. 1, December 1, 2020.*
- *Negotiations Updates (008-21)*
- *Personnel Matters*
- *Personnel Matter (015-21)*

*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:

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

PUBLIC SESSION:

4. Report of Committee of the Whole – Closed Session

Moved by Trustee Arnone

Seconded by Trustee Saarinen

*“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. 25, November 24, 2020.’*

*‘THAT the Memorandum of Settlement, Appendix A, as negotiated between the Lakehead District School Board and the Ontario Secondary School Teachers’ Federation (OSSTF) representing OSSTF, District 6A, Student Support Professionals’ Bargaining Unit effective November 3, 2020 to August 31, 2022, 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

5. Trustee Character Award – Nancy Gardiman, Kingsway Park Public School

Trustee Saarinen presented Nancy Gardiman, Student Support Professional, with the Trustee Character Award. She was recognized for her contributions to the Kingsway Park Public School community and for demonstrating the values of the Lakehead District School Board.

6. Trustee Character Award – Sharon DeLeon, Hammarskjold High School

Trustee Wemigwans presented Sharon DeLeon, Music and Drama Teacher, with the Trustee Character Award. She was recognized for her contributions to the Hammarskjold High School Community through the Ojibway O Canada Project and for promoting a school environment that is inclusive and respectful of the diversity of Lakehead Public Schools' students.

7. Red Shirt Effect Project

Ian MacRae, Director of Education, introduced David Pineau, Activities Director, who presented on the Red Shirt Effect Project. A promotional video was shared, and the project was explained. This project is designed to virtually support students interested in physical activities or sports. Coaches are connected with students through a virtual application to provide feedback, training, and guidance. All trustees' questions were addressed.

8. Approval of Minutes

Moved by Trustee Saarinen

Seconded by Trustee Wemigwans

*“THAT Lakehead District School Board approve the Minutes of:*

- *Regular Board Meeting No. 25, November 24, 2020; and*
- *Annual Board Meeting No. 1, December 1, 2020.”*

CARRIED

## MATTERS NOT REQUIRING A DECISION:

### 9. Ontario Public School Boards' Association Report

Trustee Saarinen, Ontario Public School Boards' Association (OPSBA) Director and voting delegate, informed the Board that the Public Education Symposium would be held virtually on January 28, 2021. He also provided information that was shared at the recent OPSBA Northern Regional meeting.

### 10. Student Trustee Report

Simran Talpade, Student Trustee, provided a handout as her report. Items addressed included: Student Mentorship Program, Parent Involvement Committee meeting, and Board elections. All trustees' questions were addressed.

### 11. Indigenous Student Trustee Report

Keira Essex, Indigenous Student Trustee, provided a handout as her report. Items addressed included: Special Education Advisory Committee meeting, medicine tables, Aboriginal Education Advisory Committee meeting, Student Mentorship Program, and Parent Involvement Committee meeting. All trustees' questions were addressed.

### 12. Audit Committee Report

Trustee Oikonen, Audit Committee Chair, provided a verbal update on the Audit Committee. He provided information regarding the changes to the Audit Committee members. The next Audit Committee meeting will take place in June.

### 13. Audit Committee Annual Report – August 31, 2020 (094-20)

Trustee Oikonen, Audit Committee Chair, introduced Kirsti Alaksa, Superintendent of Business, who presented the report. All trustees' questions were addressed.

### 14. COVID-19 General Update

Ian MacRae, Director of Education, and AJ Keene, Superintendent of Education, provided a verbal update on COVID-19 related issues affecting the Lakehead District School Board. All trustees' questions were addressed.

MATTERS FOR DECISION:

15. Establishment of 2021-2022 Budget Committee (014-21)

Moved by Trustee Arnone

Seconded by Trustee Saarinen

*“THAT:*

- 1. Lakehead District School Board establish the 2021-2022 Budget Committee comprised of all trustees; and*
- 2. The 2021-2022 Budget Committee report its recommendation to the Lakehead District School Board no later than the date provided by the Ministry of Education.”*

CARRIED

16. Recommendations from the Audit Committee (012-21)

Audit Committee Summarized Annual Report – August 31, 2020 (095-21)

Moved by Trustee Oikonen

Seconded by Trustee Wemigwans

*“THAT Lakehead District School Board:*

- 1. Approve the Audit Committee Summarized Annual Report as outlined in Appendix A to Report No. 012-21; and*
- 2. Forward the report to the Ministry of Education.”*

CARRIED

2019-2020 Audited Financial Statements (096-20)

Moved by Trustee Oikonen

Seconded by Trustee Arnone

*“THAT Lakehead District School Board approve the August 31, 2020 audited financial statements as outlined in Report No. 096-20, 2019-2020 Audited Financial Statements.”*

CARRIED

17. Appointment to the Aboriginal Education Advisory Committee (007-21)

Moved by Trustee Wemigwans

Seconded by Trustee Doughty-Smith

*“THAT Lakehead District School Board approve the appointment of Anna Fern Kakegamic, Keewaytinook Okimakanak (KOSSS), member, to the Aboriginal Education Advisory Committee.”*

CARRIED

18. Information and Inquiries

- 18.1 Trustee Arnone provided information on the Osgoode Human Rights training that she attended.

18.2 Chair Chambers reported that she participated in the video created for the Lakehead District School Board's Kindergarten Registration night. She indicated that she would be attending the virtual event.

19. Adjournment

Moved by Trustee Saarinen

Seconded by Trustee Tuchenhagen

*"THAT we do now adjourn at 8:59 p.m."*

CARRIED

CONFIRMED BY THE BOARD – February 23, 2021

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Chair

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Secretary